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PG & RESEARCH DEPARTMENT OF ZOOLOGY

AWARENESS PROGRAMME ON

VERMITECHNOLOGY FOR FARMERS (22-03-2019)

PG and Research Department of Zoology organized an awareness Programme sponsored by University Grant Commission (CE) for farmers entitled "Vermitechnology for Farmers" on 22-03-2019 at the organic farm of Mr. M. Krishnamoorthy, Organic Farm, Pannimadai, Coimbatore, TN. Nearly 25 farmers including women actively participated in the training programme.

Programme started around 9.00 AM on 22-03-2019 and the Organizing secretary Dr.P.Kathireswari, Assistant Professor of Zoology welcomed the Farmers and guest and Mr. M.Krishnamoorthy, Natural farmer, Kanuvai inaugurated the function. First Technical session by Dr. P. Kathireswari started around 10:30 AM and she gave a talk on different vermiculturing techniques for small scale and large scale production of vermicompost. Farmers were trained to produce vermicompost in a cost effective way without large investment.

Second technical session by Mr. M.Krishnamoorthy, who explained his experiences on organic farming with integrated cropping in his 4.5 acres land which has highly attracted the attention of farmers for sustainable agriculture, horticulture and integrated cropping for Economical development. Farmers realized the impacts of chemical fertilizers and it's tremendous pressure on agro- ecosystem. Increasing use of chemical fertilizers lead to serious problems in agro-ecosystem and also polluting air, water and soil, killing of beneficial and non target organisms and destruction to eco-cycles. The use of vermicompost as bio-fertilizer will certainly add great relevance in solving the todays problems. The third technical session included the integrated farm visit and Vermicompost preparation.

The most urgent need of our country is the promotion of an evergreen revolution designed to increase farm productivity in perpetuity without ecological harm. For this purpose we organized and popularized "Vermitechnology for Human Welfare and sustained future of our country".

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