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ORIENTATION CUM AWARENESS PROGRAMME ON ORGANIC FARMING AND CERTIFICATION IN PHENSONG GPU, NORTH SIKKIM BY SIMFED.

A day long Orientation cum Awareness Programme on Organic Farming and Certification under Sikkim Organic Mission was conducted by SIMFED on the 6th of February 2014 in Phensong, Gram Panchyat Unit, North Sikkim.



The Programme highlighted the importance and future scope of Organic farming in the State. A detail status of the present ICS Programme in the region was conveyed to the gathering by the SIMFED ICS Field Supervisor, Miss. Pema Onkee Bhutia. A detail deliberation on Internal Control System and the process of Organic Certification was given by Manager (ICS), SIMFED. He informed the gathering about C2 status of GPU. Mr. M.K.Pradhan, Joint Director, Sikkim Organic Mission, Govt. of Sikkim, in his very intensive interaction with the gathering enlightened the assembled farmers and panchayats about the reasons for Organic Farming and the Certification of the same, justifying his explanations with numerous examples.

Mr. Kuber Bhandari, Managing Director, SIMFED, elaborating upon the benefits of Organic Farming, urged the gathering to take up the same in a committed way. He stressed upon the fact that SIMFED was a Marketing Federation, the main goal of which was to market the Organic Produces of Sikkim and requested all for implement of Hon'ble Chief Minister vision of One Village One Crop for large production which will help in marketing also. A brief detail of the present various ongoing marketing works being carried out by the Federation was also conveyed by him.

The Programme was attended by the concerned panchayats of the GPU, who thanked all the visiting Officials for their endeavour in imparting Organic knowledge to the farmers. All ICS Field Functionaries and Officials of SIMFED were present.

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