

ICAR- National Research Centre on Pig organizes “Pig Germplasm Distribution and Farmer Scientist Interaction Program” for Small Holder Schedule Caste Pig Farmers of Assam

The ICAR-National Research Centre on Pig, Guwahati, conducted a “Pig Germplasm Distribution and Farmer-Scientist Interaction Program” on February 6, 2025, at its campus for smallholder Scheduled Caste (SC) pig farmers. As part of this initiative, 21 SC farmers from Baksa and Tamulpur districts of Assam each received two piglets. The program aimed to educate farmers on scientific pig farming practices through informative lectures.

Dr. Kalyan De, Senior Scientist (LPM), provided insights into biosecurity, housing, and pig management, while Dr. Priyajoy Kar, Scientist (Agricultural Extension), guided farmers on marketing strategies, profit maximization, and value-added product processing. Under the Scheduled Caste Sub Plan, two Rani piglets were distributed per farmer to establish small cluster-based piggery units. Additionally, farmers received banners with their farm numbers to facilitate future impact assessments of the program. The beneficiaries expressed their appreciation for the initiative and showed enthusiasm for expanding their pig farming ventures commercially.

Glimpses of the programme:



