

ICAR – National Research Centre on Pig organizes “Piggery Farmer Field School”

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ICAR-National Research Centre on Pig, Guwahati, Assam has initiated a six month (Jan-June 2022) “Piggery Farmer Field School (Piggery FFS)” at Barmura Village, Rangia, Kamrup district, Assam with 25 tribal women participants for promoting sustainable livelihood through scientific pig farming and active participation in pork marketing chains. The FFS was initiated under the ICAR-NASF Project on “Pork Marketing Chains in North East India for Sustainable Livelihood of Tribal Women (Assam, Meghalaya and Nagaland)”. Initially, Dr. Misha Madhavan M, Scientist, ICAR-NRC on Pig and FFS Coordinator briefed the FFS concept and the core activities (Agro-ecosystem analysis (AESA), Comparative experiments, Group dynamics, Lectures on special topics and Participatory monitoring & evaluation) to be performed in each forthcoming FFS meeting. Dr. Rafiqul Islam, Principal Scientist, ICAR-NRC on Pig and FFS Coordinator described scientific pig farm management practices, during which, the participants were made aware of the essentiality of adopting proper bio-security measures in pig farms considering African Swine Fever (ASF) outbreak in North East India. A technical bulletin on “Scientific Pig Production Practices” in Assamese language was distributed to the participants.

