

RKVY – Skill Development Training

AGR / Q1203 – Vermicompost Producer Training Programme

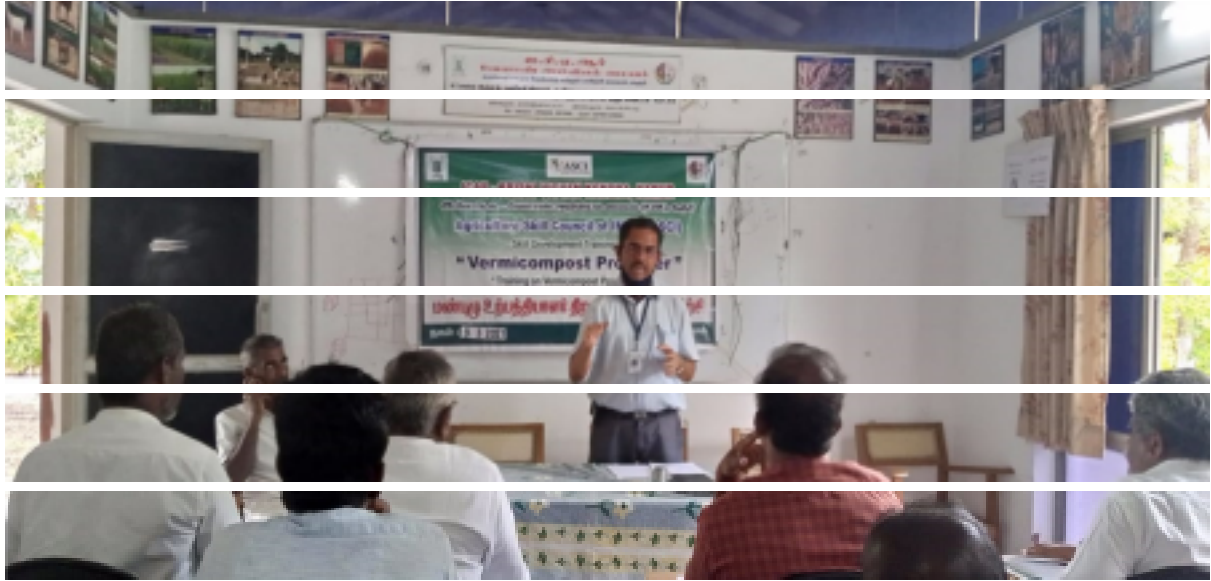
ICAR KVK Karur conducted RKVY – Skill Development Training on Vermicompost Producer Training at Chinnaputhur Village , Thogaimalai block for 25 days covering 200 hrs. The inauguration and first day session of the training was conducted on 24.2.2021, in which, Dr. J. Diraviam, Senior Scientist and Head of the KVK gave an overview of the importance of vermicomposting and its business prospects. The total number of participants is 25 farmers.

Mrs. N. Marikannu, SMS (Soil Science) of the KVK covered sessions on importance of vermicompost, identification of suitable site for vermicompost production, construction details of vermi compost units, preparation of vermicompost bed as per specifications, input management in Vermi composting. identification and sources for procurement of correct species of worms, maintenance of optimal environment for worms in the vermi bed prior to release, techniques for maintenance of aeration and moisture.

There were guest faculty sessions on rapid multiplication techniques of worms by Dr. M. Sunder, Professor, Department of Microbiology, Agricultural College and Research Institute, TNAU, Trichy; scope and importance of organic farming in India, physiology of earthworms, preparation of feed and management of unit by Dr. V. Murthy, Organic consultant, Kulithalai. Different applications of vermicompost in agriculture and its possible positive effects, identify the usage and market demand of vermicompost, by Mr. G. Karikalan, Managing Director, Nachalur Farmer Producer Company, Kulithalai block. Demonstration on waste decomposer production technology, various methods of vermicompost production technology, production of vermin worms and application of vermicompost to field, horticultural and forest crops to farmers fields, were organized.

Organic inputs preparation session was handled by Mr. K. M. Chellamuthu, Organic farmer trainer from Erode district. The farmers were also given exposure to vermicomposting and organic inputs preparation at KVK campus by Mr. M. Thirumurugan, SMS (Agronomy). Different methods of harvesting the worms, separation, grading and sorting of worms according to quality and control of predator attacks were covered by Mr. N. Sridhar, Farm Manager of the KVK. The participants were also taken on exposure visit to organic fair organized by the KVK conducted at Anbu Mahal, Kavalkaranpatti. The participants were also exposed to successful organic farm of Shri Anthonisamy, at Puliyangudi, Tirunelveli district and also to KVK Tirunelveli demo units facilitated by Mr. P. Kaviyasu, SMS (Horticulture) and Mrs. N. Marikannu, SMS (Soil Science), KVK, Karur.

Photo Gallery



Technical session by Dr.J.Diravium Senior Scientist and Head



Technical Session by Mrs.N.Marikannu, SMS(Soil Science)

Technical Session by Dr.V.Moorthy, Organic consultant

Technical Session by Mr.M.Thirumurugan, SMS(Agronomy)

Input distribution	

Demonstration

Field visits

Exposure visits