

ICAR-IGFRI, Jhansi, organized two days online training programme for Gaushalas on fodder production, utilization and conservation technologies

ICAR-Indian Grassland and Fodder Research Institute, Jhansi, UP organized the two days Training Programme on Fodder Production, Utilization and Conservation for the Gaushalas of the country from 11-12th July, 2022. The main objective of organising this training programme is to empower the Gaushala workers on scientific techniques of fodder production their conservation as well as utilization to make them self-reliant in terms of forage security. More than 60 participants from different states like UP, MP, Bihar, Rajasthan and Himachal Pradesh attended the programme and showed keen interest in learning modern fodder production techniques, cultivation of non-traditional fodders like Azolla, spineless cactus, and hydroponics technique for round the year fodder availability. During two days programme, various lectures on establishment and management of grassland, horti-pasture and fodder trees, production technologies of suitable forage crops, suitable fodder varieties and source of improved fodder seed, latest techniques of perennial fodder crops production, intensive fodder production, balanced nutrition and management of animals in Gaushalas and improved techniques for making hay and silage for fodder conservation have been delivered by the resource persons. Participants showed the full enthusiasm to adopt the modern techniques of fodder production and conservation to make Gaushalas sustainable and self-reliant. Dr Amaresh Chandra, Director, ICAR-IGFRI mentioned the importance and responsibilities of Gaushalas in the country. He urged the participants to adopt the scientific practices of fodder production and stressed to spread the knowledge gain from this training to other needy farmers.

