



Andaman Chronicle

ICAR CIARI Hosts Farmer-Scientist Interaction and PM Kisan Samman Nidhi Live Streaming Event

By Denis Giles / August 3, 2025



Sri Vijaya Puram, Aug 3: On August 2, 2025, the ICAR Central Island Agricultural Research Institute (CIARI), Sri Vijaya Puram, successfully organized a farmer-scientist interaction along with the live streaming of the PM Kisan Samman Nidhi programme at the T.R Dutta Conference Hall, CIARI. The occasion was marked by the active participation of local farmers and the display of technological innovations developed by ICAR-CIARI for the benefit of the island's farming community.

Dr. Eaknath B Chakurkar, Director of CIARI, led the event accompanied by a team of scientists representing various fields including agriculture, animal husbandry, and fisheries. The CIARI experts engaged in interactive discussions with attending farmers, emphasized the significance of the event, and highlighted the innovative technologies designed to support sustainable and productive agriculture on the islands.

A total of 130 participants from diverse villages across Sri Vijaya Puram and Ferrargunj taluk took part in the activities. The event created an encouraging platform for knowledge-sharing, as participants exchanged experiences, raised queries, and explored practical aspects of the featured technologies, reflecting strong community engagement and enthusiasm for agricultural progress. By the end of the session, the local farmers not only understood how the PM Kisan Samman Nidhi scheme worked but also felt confident enough to share this knowledge with others in their community.

The event concluded with a reaffirmation of CIARI's commitment to empower the region's farmers through science-driven solutions and stronger collaboration, paving the way for a resilient and prosperous farming future in the islands.