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## CIARI Scientist impart training on Tuber crops based Integrated Farming system for livelihood improvement of Tribal farmers" at Kamorta Islands

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Sri Vijaya Puram, Oct 10: A training program was conducted on CIARI Scientist impart training on "Tuber crops based Integrated Farming system for livelihood improvement of Tribal farmers" under the STC by AICRP on Integrated Farming system in collaboration with ICAR KVK, Car Nicobar and distributed the vegetable seeds at Nancowrie Islands farmers on 4th to 7th October 2025.

During the program, Dr. I. Jaisankar, Principal Scientist (Ago forestry) and Principal Investigator All India Coordinated Research Project on Integrated Farming System explained about the advantages and scope of Integrated farming system, incorporation of various components to improve the farm income. He also elaborated on the Organic Integrated Farming System (OIFS) developed by the institute and presented outcomes from experimental trials involving different combinations of vegetables, tubers, spices, fodder, and fruit crops, as well as the integration of goat, pig, poultry, and fish farming. Further, he highlighted CIARI technologies, organic waste management and integrated pest and disease management in the system. The importance of natural farming practices, input preparation and application methods to improve the productivity of the soil through tuber crops based integrated farming system was also discussed. Demonstarted and distributed (50 no's) the Dweep leaf separator and to the women farmers and explained the function and method to remove the mid rib from the coconut leaves. Further for improving the nutritional security of the farmers a set of 75 vegetable seed kits were distributed. The programme was coordinated by Dr. Santosh kumar, Head KVK, Car Nicobar and Dr. Abhilash, Scientist (NRM). A total of 205 famers from Kakana, Pilpillow, Hitui and Chotta Enaka villages of Nancowrie Islands attended the training programme. The whole programme was conducted under the guidance of Dr. Jaisunder, Director, CIARI, Sri Vijaya Puram.