

Training program on clean milk production, hand hygiene and zoonoses

Division of Veterinary Public Health (VPH), ICAR-Indian Veterinary Research Institute (IVRI), Izatnagar organized trainings programs on clean milk production, hand hygiene and zoonoses under the “Scheduled Caste Sub Plan Scheme” on 9.2.2026 and 10.2.2026. The program was conducted for 30 farmers each day from Ganganagar, Badra Kasampur, Piparthara, Kairuwa and Dhaulera villages of Tehsil Faridpur. The initiative was a collaborative effort with contributions from the Joint Director (Extension Education) Dr. Rupasi Tiwari, Head of the Division of Veterinary Public Health Dr. Bablu Kumar and Scientists Dr. Himani Dhanze and Dr. M. Suman Kumar. The program focused on clean milk production, hand hygiene and prevention of zoonotic diseases among livestock farmers belonging to the SC community.

Using a peer-reviewed questionnaire, a knowledge, attitude and practices (KAPs) study was conducted to assess the farmers’ awareness of zoonotic diseases. Following the assessment, Dr. Himani Dhanze delivered a lecture providing insights into clean milk production and the importance of hand hygiene while emphasizing preventive measures against zoonotic diseases. Folders and leaflets related to clean milk production, hand hygiene, vector-borne zoonoses, AMR and dengue fever were distributed among the farmers. Animal wellness kits comprising stainless-steel milk containers, chelated mineral mixture, potassium permanganate, savlon and antiparasitic solution along with foldable mosquito nets and a calendar for three years (2026-2028) containing information on zoonotic diseases prevalent in Uttar Pradesh were distributed to 60 farmers of the SC community. The overall aim of the program was to reduce the risk of acquiring zoonotic diseases among livestock farmers.



Conducting Knowledge, Attitude and Practice (KAP) Survey among livestock farmers



Beneficiaries with the dedicated team of the Division of Veterinary Public Health (VPH)



Release of the Zoonotic disease awareness calendar



Distribution of animal wellness kits and mosquito nets to Scheduled Caste (SC) farmers during the program



Awareness lecture delivered on zoonotic disease prevention, hand hygiene, food safety and clean milk production