

TEC-IVRI Pune organised follow up visit, advisory service and health checkup of goats at tribal villages of Nandurbar (Maharashtra) under TSP programme on 5th and 6th July 2023

TEC-IVRI Pune in collaboration with CINI-Associated organization of Tata Trust Nandurbar, organized follow up visit, advisory services, data recording and health checkup of goats at *Gourya, Umarani, Mungbari, Manwani, Bhujgaon, Jarli, Kharvad* and *Bhogawade* villages of Dhadgaon taluka on 5th July; and *Chanvai, Bedakund, Jamana, Bhagdari* and *Bijripati* villages in Akkalkuwa taluka of Nandurbar district on 6th July 2023 under TSP programme. The team consisting of Dr SK Das Principal Scientist and Dr Sanghratna B Bahire Scientist of TEC, and Dr Sachin Chaudhury, Senior Technical officer of CINI visited a total of 23 goat units of tribal farmers.

The team supervised housing, feeding and management of all the goat units maintained by tribal beneficiaries and interacted with the farmers for better production and health of goats. Feed formula for preparing balanced ration was described. Broad spectrum anthelmintic was given to the farmers for deworming of all the goats. Mineral and vitamin mixture was distributed to each beneficiary for feeding of weak, debilitated and pregnant goats. Most of the farmers housed their goats in low cost sheds, and a few farmers constructed *pucca* new goat sheds. Many farmers were allowing their goats for grazing besides feeding maize, Hybrid Napier, Red Napier and Dasarath grass, and a few farmers were also feeding Azolla as feed additive. Few farmers were feeding dried ground nut leaves and sorghum leaves as dry fodder, and some others were feeding purchased pelleted feed. Few farmers constructed metallic rectangular feeder for goats, and few others fitted mineral lick above the feeder. All the goats in Dhadgaon taluka were healthy, only one buck had testicular trauma, which was given treatment. The data on kidding, mortality and disposal of goats were also taken. So far in 6 months duration, in all the villages of Dhadgaon taluka, 18 kids were born, neither any goat died nor sold with remaining stock of 93 goats with the farmers. In the villages of Akkalkuwa taluka, 33 kids were born and 19 goats were sold with remaining stock of 36 goats with them. Four farmers earned Rs 92,000 by selling of goats.



A farmer made low cost shed & metallic feeder for maintaining goats



A farmer constructed new goat shed with brick wall & GI sheet roof for keeping goats



A farmer made metallic feeder for providing dry fodder (chopped kadwa kutty) to goats



A tribal farmer showing his newborn goat kids



A buck was suffering from traumatic injury of scrotum



A farmer cultivated Hybrid Napier grass for feeding his goats



Azolla produced and fed to the goats by a tribal farmer



Dasarath grass was cultivated for feeding goats by a tribal farmer