ICAR organised awareness – cum- training programme for SBI officers in Meghalaya

ICAR RC for NEH Region, Umiam organised Awareness – cum- training programme on "Improved Production Technology of Agricultural, Horticultural, Livestock and other allied sector" on the 9th July, 2014 for the field officers and Branch Manager of State Bank of Meghalaya. The objective of this progarmme was to sensitize the SBI officers, Field Officers and Branch Manager about the new technologies developed by ICAR in Agriculture, Horticulture and Livestock pertaining to North East in general and Meghalaya in particular, which will be very much useful to the Officers for examining the project feasibility to provide loan to farmers and stakeholders. The programme was attended by 24 field officers, Branch Manager, Chief Manager of different Branches of SBI in Meghalaya.

Dr. A.K.Tripathi, HOD, Social Science presented the overview of improved technologies developed by the ICAR in agriculture, horticulture and livestock sector, and also explained the scope for commercialization with the financial support of the bank. Mrs Lyngdoh, Asstt. General Manager of SBI Meghalaya also outlined the scope of the new technologies which may be included in the project proposals for sanctioning in advance to the farmers, etc. During the programme, field visit was arranged to the Farming system, Horticulture field, Piggery farm, Post Harvest and Value Addition Laboratory where Officials had directly interacted with Scientists and Experts and also clarified their doubts to take it to farmers' field. During the interaction with the Scientists, Head Social Science explained about the economics of the various technology as well as crops to be included in the project for increasing the output. The programme was coordinated by HOD, Social Science.