

## **ICAR EMPOWERED WEST KAMENG TRIBAL FARMERS THROUGH INPUT AND TECHNOLOGICAL SUPPORT**

The ICAR Arunachal Pradesh Centre, Basar has taken a project under TSP for development of Integrated Farming System model at Namshu and Khelong village, West Kameng district of Arunachal Pradesh. Under this project the Centre started activities through organization training cum input distribution programme was organized on 23 November, 2017 at Namshu village under the guidance of Dr. H. Kalita, Joint Director, ICAR AP Centre, Basar in order to strengthen tribal farmer's capacity by dissemination of scientific knowledge and input support under Tribal Sub Plan (TSP). More than 50 progressive farmers participated the program and benefitted with the technical know how and various inputs distributed *viz.*, seeds of potato, pea, cabbage, radish, soybean along with organically permitted biopesticides, and fungicides. Farmers showed keen interest in learning the scientific vegetable production technologies developed by ICAR AP Centre. Dr. H. Kalita, Principal Scientist (Entomology) and Joint Director presented the overview of the program and its significance for the area. He also discussed the production technology of vegetable crops and organic pest and disease management. He stressed upon the importance of regular visit and proper monitoring of farms in organic production systems for better management of insect pests. Dr. Anup Chandra, Scientist (Entomology) briefed about the vermicompost production techniques. Sh. Darjee Tsarmu, ASM appreciated the efforts of ICAR AP Centre and he took leadership for successful implementation of the project. On 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2017 an another programme has been organized for imparting training to the tribal farmers regarding scientific pig farming and walnut production technology jointly under TSP and NEC project. Dr. Doni Jini, Scientist (Veterinary Extension) discussed elaborately about rearing of pig scientifically for generation of more income. He also discussed backyard poultry management techniques. Mr. Bali Yangom, T4 demonstrated the rearing techniques practically. 20 Piglets (male and female) along with feeds and medicines were distributed among the farmers of Namshu and Khelong. Dr. H. Kalita, Joint Director briefed about the production techniques and importance of walnut in West Kameng district. Among 28 progressive farmers walnut seedlings were distributed under NEC funded project.



Action photograph training cum distribution programme at Namshu village West Kameng District