

KVK Anjaw Successfully organized Kisan Mela-2017

KVK Anjaw celebrated Kisan Mela on 09th March, 2017 at Community Hall, Hayuliang. The programme was started with welcome address by Manish Kanwat, Senior Scientist and Head, KVK Anjaw. During his speech, he highlighted the importance and awareness regarding the present status and prospect of L. Cardamom in the district. He also emphatically emphasized to the L. Cardamom growers of the district regarding the various scheme opportunities which are being provided under the Spices Board of India. He also stressed the importance of group approach in agriculture to achieve the goal of sustainable development.

Shri. Kego Jelang, Additional Deputy Commissioner, Hayuliang, graced the occasion as the Chairman. During his valuable speech, he remarked ample amount of indigenous local germplasm are being available in the district but till date none of these worth full resources are being aware among the farmers as to how it can be conserved and patent in the name of the district. He also appraised that certain developmental activities are being done by KVK Anjaw for the welfare of the farm women and unemployed rural youths and therefore he requested them to take initiatives towards bring positive changes in agriculture and allied sector.

Shri. Bauim Kri, Local BJP Leader also graced the occasion as the Chief Guest of the function. During his speech, he remarked that the district is praised by nature and known for the availability of different valuable local germplasm like Jungle Katchu (*Paris Polyphera*), Mishmi Dal, varieties of millets (*Kodo*), maize, sweet potato, Caterpillar mushroom (*Cordicep Sinensis*) etc. But inspite of availability of these resources, majority of the farmers of the district unaware about the collection and conservation for future generation rather harvesting blindly and disposed.

Shri. Anjoi Ama, PA to MLA, expressed his thankful speech about the performance and steps being taken up by KVK, Anjaw for the welfare of the farming community of the district towards qualitative development of agriculture. He also requested to the farmers to join hands and help to KVK officials to adopt the scientific knowledge which helps to bring the district forward.

In continuation of the programme, different Subject Matter Specialist of concern subject gave their presentation on cultivation practices of L. Cardamom, Importance of soil and its conservation, various schemes provided under the Spice Board and Importance of Piggery Farming as sustainable livelihood development among the farmers. Further, various indigenous local germplasm of pulses, maize, foxtails millets vegetables, medicinal plants, fish bamboo basket, cane bags, tools and implements were also showcased to the dignitaries.

During the valedictory session, a momento of Kisan Mela were also distributed to the dignitaries. Different prizes were also distributed to the most progressive farmers, Kisan Mitra Award, Most sincere farmers, Most progressive FCs, Most successful and commercial SHG in terms of value addition as a part of encouragement among the farmers, Farm Women and Rural Youths.



