

## Day 10- 7<sup>th</sup> June 2025

The team visited Four villages in Saspol Block namely Alchi, Saspol, Hemishukpachan and Yangthang villages. In Saspol the Programme begins with Mrs. Jigmet Laskit (KVK Leh) spoke on VKSA and integrated pest management especially shield bug, wooly apple aphid, pod borer. Next Dr changchup lamo of CAZRI leh spoke on the research being conducted at CAZRI RRS Leh. like Solar house, sea buck harvesting implements, improvement of farm machineries . later Dr Stanzin Tsehla of animal Husbandary spoke on schmes under council scheme like SDP and centrally sponsored scheme of animal department like Silage making, poultry farm, Yak herding, Artificial insemination, Vaccination scheme, Of FMD, KCC etc. Madam Rigzin dolma Spoke on Agriculture scheme like Ladakh green House , Compost pit, Doubling the farmer income, Rantak renovation, Mulching and it's benefits, Per drop more crop, KCC Our experts consulted with farmers to identify key challenges they are facing. Below are the primary issues raised, 1. Norms for polycarbonate greenhouses are not farmer-friendly, especially regarding the water source. 2. Aphid problem in Ladakh greenhouses. 3. Shield bug issues in vegetables. 4. Damping-off disease in peas. 5. Pest problems in apple and apricot orchards. 6. Apple saplings should be distributed in the autumn season. 7. Dog menace affecting farms. Most of these problems were addressed and solutions provided by our experts.

Next team visited Alchi village and the Introduction of VKSA & KVKs Role in Agriculture. She also talked about Integrated Pest Management . Next Dr changchup Lamo gave an Introduction on RRS Cazri Leh like Technologies in pipeline like Solar House, Seabuck thorn processing techniques and harvesting implements and Modification of existing farm machineries. Dr Stanzin Tsehla Animal Deptt talked about UT sponsored schemes, like SDP- Dairy business , Council schemes Like Animal feed, Silage, Yak herding scheme, Horse for excursion, Nomadic kit, NAIP: Artificial insemination , NDCP: Vaccination scheme for communicable disease like FMD . KCC for establishing Dairy Unit. Later Mrs Rigzin Dolma Agri Deptt shared some information regarding available schemes for the farmer like Ladakh green House , Compost Pit, Rantak renovation , Per drop more crop , Black mulch, Nursery Unit , KCC and PM Kisan yojna is in saturation phase and Doubling the Farmer income. The programme was very interesting, Farmer were very active and asked lot of questions.

In Hemishukpachan village, Under the Viksit Krishi Vikas Abhiyan (VKVA) at Yangthang village, practical demonstrations on low tunnel technology and mulching were conducted to promote sustainable farming practices. Dr. Disket delivered a lecture introducing VKSA and highlighted the crucial role of KVKs in agricultural development. Dr. Jigmet from CAZRI RRS Leh spoke on the station's activities, including improved crop varieties, potato production, pest management, and the promotion of agroforestry systems. Dr. Padma emphasized the importance of soil testing, different types of compost, proper soil sampling, and overall soil health management. Disket Angmo from the Agriculture Department briefed farmers on schemes such as the Ladakh Greenhouse, compost pit construction, and drip irrigation. Rinchen Dolma from the Animal Husbandry Department discussed schemes related to animal feed, yak herding, horse rearing for tourism, and dairy unit establishment with financial support of up to ₹6 lakh for five

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### **Feed back of the farmer**

- the issues related to farming and livestock, listed above were addressed accordingly by the experts. It was very beneficial
- Farmers reported pest infestations and requested hands-on training for new agricultural practices; all issues were promptly addressed by our experts.



