

Winter School on “Current Concepts and Frontier Technologies for Conservation and Improvement of Indigenous Dairy Bovine Genetic Resources” concluded at Southern Regional Station of ICAR-NDRI, Bengaluru

Southern Regional Station of ICAR-NDRI, Bengaluru organized ICAR – Sponsored winter school on “Current Concepts and Frontier Technologies for Conservation and Improvement of Indigenous Dairy Bovine Genetic Resources” from 19.07.2018 to 08.08.2018.

A total of 17 participants, including 8 women participants, from different parts of the country participated in the winter school. The valedictory function of the winter school was conducted on 08.08.2018. Dr Sreenath Dixit, Principal Scientist & Theme Leader, ICRISAT Development Centre, Asia Program was the guest of Honour while Dr. K. P. Ramesha, Head, SRS and Course Director, presided over the function.

Dr. K.P. Ramesha, Course Director of the winter school detailed about the winter school and informed that several expert lectures covering the upstream areas of germ plasm conservation and reproduction efficiency improvement, including proteomics, genomics, proteogenomics, bio-informatics, Assisted Reproductive Techniques were arranged from the renowned



personalities in the chosen areas. He also stressed the importance of application of the learnt frontier technologies at field conditions to improve upon the reproductive performance of dairy animal and for faster multiplication of superior germ plasm.

After distribution of certificates to the participants, in his address, Dr. Dixit narrated the success stories of integrated farming system incorporating indigenous cattle and urged the audience to consider not only the milk but also other by products from the indigenous cows so that the contribution of these cows to the household food and nutritional security could be understand



thoroughly. He also indicated that the winter school topic was very apt considering the recent preference and emphasis by the Govt for indigenous cattle. He requested the participants to apply and propagate the knowledge and skill attained through the winter school to other colleagues and stakeholders for the benefit of the society.

The course coordinators, Dr. A. Kumaresan and Dr. D.N. Das delivered welcome address and vote of thanks, respectively.