ICAR-CCARI, Goa Organises Training Programme on Scientific Pig Farming for Rural Women

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ICAR-Central Coastal Agricultural Research Institute, Goa organised a training programme on “Scientific Pig Farming” during 5 to 6 November 2026 under the AICRP on Pig, in collaboration with the Goa State Rural Livelihood Mission (GSRLM), Department of Rural Development, Government of Goa, to promote scientific pig farming, entrepreneurship development and sustainable livelihood opportunities.

During the inaugural session, Dr. Parveen Kumar, Director, ICAR-CCARI, Goa, highlighted the economic potential of pig farming through low-cost production technologies, improved management practices and integrated farming systems.

Dr. Amiya Ranjan Sahu, Principal Investigator, AICRP on Pig, emphasized the importance of scientific breeding, improved pig germplasm and sustainable production practices for enhancing farm profitability.

Dr. Rama Parab, Assistant Director, Stockman Training Centre, Curti, Ponda, sensitized participants to various government schemes and subsidies available for pig farming and other livestock enterprises under the Department of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services, Goa.

The technical sessions covered pig breeds and breeding strategies, housing and feeding management, newborn piglet care, reproductive management, artificial insemination, disease prevention, and integrated pig-cum-fish farming systems. Hands-on demonstrations were conducted on routine farm operations, feed preparation, deworming, vaccination, semen collection, oestrus detection and artificial insemination in pig. An exposure visit to an established commercial pig farm at Karmali provided practical insights into scientific piggery management and entrepreneurial opportunities.

The initiative aimed to strengthen the technical skills of rural women and promote pig farming as a viable livelihood enterprise for enhancing income and socioeconomic empowerment. The programme concluded with an interactive session and distribution of certificates to the participants.



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