

Hands on Training on “Mechanization and Watershed Development in Hilly Area”

A three day training programme on “Mechanization and Watershed Development in Hilly Area” was organized by the division of Agricultural Engineering for progressive farmers of Umrang Nala, Dima Hasao district of Assam from 10th -12th March 2014. The training was sponsored by the Divisional office of Soil Conservation Division of Dima Hasao. A total number of 34 farmers participated in the training programme.

Dr. S.V. Ngachan Director of Institute inaugurated the programme and interacted with each and every farmer who participated in the training. Speaking on the occasion he put forward his views on the “Overview of watershed development in NE hilly Region”. Dr. B.K. Setty, Er. Arvind kumar and Er. S. Mandal coordinated the three days training programme and guided the trainees in various aspects.

All the aspects of watershed development such as farm mechanization, soil and water conservation, animal *husbandry*, horticultural were incorporated in the three days programme. Farmers

were not bounded in classroom lectures but practical demonstrations on new technologies were also given on the field day.

Mushroom cultivation was highlighted in the field day.

