MONITORING AND EVALUATION OF SRI FIELDS AND FEEDBACK FROM THE FARMERS

A team comprised of Shri A. Kirankumar Singh, i/c Programme Coordinator, KVK West Siang and Shri Jumkar Bam, Technical Asst. visited the SRI field of Shri Todak Basar of Nyigam Village. The team monitored and evaluated the growth and development of the crop which was covered under SRI-A Pilot Project under RKVY. The crop is in booting stage coiciding with the local rice variety *Mipun* (Pumde) infested with stem borer and caseworm. In the adjoining field of hybrid variety, the infestation of Gundhi bug was observed in severe condition. Therefore, the team suggested for the control measures of these insects. In overall, the growth and development of the crop was satisfactory and number of tillers per hill was ranged from 38-56 under the SRI field whereas in the conventional method of transplanting field it was ranged from 10-14 numbers per hill. In discussion with the farmer, he expressed his satisfaction with the growth and development of the variety compared to the local variety and he will keep the seeds for further seed purpose.

