

ICAR Sikkim Centre Organized FRONT LINE DEMONSTRATION on 'Year Round Vegetable Production Technologies' under HMNEH-I

The ICAR Sikkim Centre has organized **Front Line Demonstration (FLD)** on 'Year Round Vegetable Production Technologies' under Horticulture Mission for North East and Himalayan States (HMNEH-I) at Sajong village, East Sikkim on 26th October 2013. More than 80 farmers attended the program and showed keen interest to learn the ICAR technologies. Dr. R. K. Avasthe, Joint Director, ICAR Research Complex, Sikkim Centre emphasized the need of year round intensive production of vegetables to bring about the perceptible change in the vegetable production scenario of the region. He further stressed upon the need of commodity based and entrepreneurial oriented farming with the judicious use of available water. Joint Director also distributed the seeds of green pea and seedlings of cabbage, cauliflower and broccoli to the 59 progressive farmers of the village. Guest of Honour of the program, Shri Karma Dichen Bhutia, Ex-Zilla Panchayat and Coordinator 'Krishi Samridhi NGO', appreciated the Lab to Land efforts of ICAR for quickly transferring the organic vegetable production technologies to promote horticulture production in the state. Dr. Ashok Kumar, Scientist Senior Scale Horticulture highlighted the year round production of vegetables under low cost plastic tunnels and demonstrated the construction of plastic tunnels.



Dr. R.K Avasthe, Joint Director ICAR Sikkim Centre Distributing the Seedlings to the Progressive Farmer



Demonstration of Low Cost Plastic Tunnels Construction to the Farmers