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To
The Editor,

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Sir,

I request that the following matter may kindly be published in your esteemed daily:

Nematode management training to tribal farmers

A one day training on nematode management in vegetables and pulses was given for the tribal farmers of Sadivayal, Poorathi area in Coimbatore by Tamil Nadu Agricultural University and All India Coordinated Research Project on nematodes (AICRP-N), New Delhi on 25-10- 2016.

Dr. K. Ramaraju, Director, Centre for Plant Protection Studies (CPPS), TNAU, emphasized the significance of using bio-pesticides for the management of nematodes and necessity of reduce the usage of chemical nematicides.

Dr. P. Kalaiarasan and Dr. N. Swarnakumari, Assistant Professors explained about identification of nematode damage symptoms in crop plants and also how to use the biopesticides for the management of plant parasitic nematodes. They also shown the plant parasitic nematodes through microscope to tribal farmers.

Dr. S. Subramanian, Professor and Head, Dept. of Nematology, TNAU, spoke about importance of plant parasitic nematode in vegetables and pulses and their yield losses.

Dr. Raman K. Walia, Project Coordinator (AICRP-N), ICAR, New Delhi explained about the tribal sub plan scheme and emphasized to utilise the Agricultural inputs supplied to them, effectively to manage the nematode in crop plants and enhance the livelihood of the tribal farmers.

Farmers were given biopesticides, biofertilisers, micronutrients and farm tools under Tribal Sub Plan scheme of AICRP on nematodes, ICAR, New Delhi.

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