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To  
The Editor,  
Sir,

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

**TNAU conducts One week Farmers training on ‘Micro Irrigation Technologies’**

Department of Soil and Water Conservation Engineering, Agricultural Engineering College & Research Institute, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore organized one-week training program (20.01.2025 – 26.01.2025) on Micro Irrigation Technologies and program was sponsored by the Government of India - Precision Farming Development Centre (PFDC), National Committee on Precision Agriculture and Horticulture, New Delhi. The training program was inaugurated with a warm welcome address by Dr. Balaji Kannan, Professor & Head, department of Soil and Water Conservation Engineering.

The session began with an insightful introduction by farmers from various districts of Tamil Nadu, emphasizing the relevance of micro irrigation in contemporary agriculture. With the active participation of 30 farmers, the training aimed to equip them with advanced techniques for sustainable water management. Dr. A. Raviraj, Dean Agricultural Engineering College & Research Institute, Coimbatore, delivered the inaugural address, highlighting the significance of innovative irrigation methods for enhancing agricultural productivity.

Er. Rohit Lall, Joint Project Director (NCPAH), felicitated the program stressing the role of technology in water conservation. The event concluded with a vote of thanks by Dr. K. Arunadevi, Assistant Professor, department of Soil and Water Conservation Engineering expressing gratitude to all speakers and participants for their contributions to the success of the program.

The training program emphasis on imparting more practical skills on Drip Irrigation, covering system design, installation, fertigation and water management for horticultural crops. It also explores smart farming, disease management, organic farming and the use of IoT/cloud-based automation in irrigation. Additionally, the program includes a field visit to a hydroponics and aeroponics unit to enhance practical learning.

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