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## Yak Research Centre organizes training for Brokpas, dairy farmers

ITANAGAR, Mar 27: The National Research Centre on Yak (NRC-Yak) Dirang organized a series of training programme for the Brokpas and Dairy farmers Dirang, Tawang and Namsai during February-March.

The training covered disease management of high altitude animals, awareness about zoonotic diseases, common parasitic diseases, scientific dairy farming, reproductive health management in Yak, scientific husbandry practices for high altitude animals, first aid and health care for animal and animal handlers during Yak migration.

About 110 Brokpas and 50 dairy farmers from different villages participated in the training.

West Kameng Deputy Commissioner Rinchin Tashi, while attending the valedictory function of one of such training programme on March 25 appreciated the efforts made by NRC on Yak for the economic upliftment of the Brokpas (Yak herdsman). He also distributed medicines, kits and mineral mixture among



the Brokpas. He said that such type of training programme will definitely benefit the Brokpas for adoption of scientific technology developed by the institute. He also visited the laboratories of the institute and field.

The scientists of different disciplines of the institute besides delivering informative talks demonstrated the technology in the field. About 102 students from different schools of Dirang participated in the essay competition on Avian Influenza.

Earlier, Dr. KK Baruah, Director, NRC-Yak spoke about the genesis and

achievement of the institute. He said that Department of Biotechnology, Govt. of India has approved three mega projects in 12th five year Plan for conducting research on Yak besides different ongoing projects of ICAR.

The training programme was attended by Dr. SK Singh, CHC, Dirang, Dr. Lawrence Kindo, Medical Officer, Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP), Dr. B Singh, Deputy Commandant, ITBP, Usha Merakpa, Principal, St. Lupon English School, V.S. Wangkhade, Principal, Kendriya Vidyalaya and other high officials of Dirang.