Training on SRI method in Nepal

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Season long officer level Training of Trainers (TOT) on IPM FFS on rice especially focused on SRI method

Plant Protection Directorate/Department of Agriculture and FAO/EU Food Facility project has started season long officer level TOT in Chitwan Nepal. The training has started on 29th of March 2011 and continues up to the harvest of crop. 30 participants from all over the country are participating in this training. Among them 28 are from Department of Agriculture (different district agriculture development offices/regional agriculture training centers/Quarantine and laboratories) and 2 from Institute of Agriculture and Animal Science, Rampur. This training is facilitating by senior IPM FFS trainers, Rajendra Uprety and different subject matter specialists.
Training on SRI orientation and transplanting in Jhapa district

Prithibinagar VDC on 17th March 2011
One day orientation training on SRI method was conducted with the Prithibinagar Village development committee in Jhapa. Total 28 farmers from different farmers groups attended the training. The training and discussion was concentrating on the basic ideas of SRI and main practices of this method. Rajendra Uprety facilitated the training supported by local staffs of agriculture service center.

Transplanting of SRI field on 4th April 2011
On 4th April 2011, 45 farmers from 13 farmers groups (including the farmers who attained orientation training before) participated in transplanting of SRI in Prithibinagar. Transplanting work was inaugurated by senior agriculture development officer Rajendra Uprety of DADO Jhapa. Women participation in transplanting was very encouraging. During training Rajendra Uprety demonstrated way of transplanting to the participants. Most of the female participants report that it can be easily manage and several of them communicate their willingness to use SRI in coming main season. Prithibinagar is a water scarce area. There is no facility of surface water irrigation and most of the farmers irrigate their crop by pumping ground-water.
Training on SRI transplanting on 21st March 2011

SRI transplanting training has conducted in Jalthal VDC on 21st March 2011. Total 36 farmers from different farmers groups were attained the training and participated to transplant SRI fields.