## INAUGURATION OF CUSTOM HIRING CENTRE AT KRISHI VIGYAN KENDRA, RAMGARH

(Ramgarh, 8<sup>th</sup> January 2020)

A Custom Hiring Centre was inaugurated at Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Ramgarh (Jharkhand) on 8<sup>th</sup> January 2020 by Dr. R.K. Samantha (Chairman, QRT, KVKs of Jharkhand and Bihar). Dr Samanta appraised that farmers in Ramgarh would be benefitted by this

agriculture equipment hiring centre and they would not have to look for anywhere else for hiring of these tractors drawn as well as hand operated equipments. He also added that apart from accessibility of farmers to these modern implements, agriculture practices in Ramgarh will be modernised and could contribute to greater farm yield.



On this occasion, Dr.Anjani Kumar, Director, ATARI, Patna applauded this move and articulated the importance and use of advanced equipments in agricultural production and said that CHCs were found to have rented out machinery particularly Happy seeder, which is in huge demand during wheat sowing season at exorbitant rents as the sowing period lasts for

just 2-3 weeks. The members of the QRT team and scientists from different centres/institutes, Dr. R. B. Sharma, Dr.F.H.Rahman and Dr Amrendra Kumar gave fruitful and valuable suggestions to develop this recently started Krishi Vigyan Kendra.



Dr. D.K. Raghav, Head

Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Ramgarh briefed about all available machines in the custom hiring centre and expressed his delight on inauguration of this most awaited hiring centre. Dr. Indrajeet, SMS (Agriculture Extension), also indicated the importance of custom hiring of

agriculture equipments to resource poor farmers which could prove boon to these small and marginal farmers.

The QRT chairman and members visited high density mango orchard and medicinal garden at K.V.K premises and disussed about the relevance of high density orchard planting in undulating topography of Ramgarh by Dr.Dharmjit Kherwar. The farm manager of K.V.K, Ramgarh, Mr. Sunny Kumar explained the benefits of power tiller in this plateau region of Ramgarh where cropping areas are small and scattered and farmers face difficulties in tilling the undulating lands with tractors. Mr. Sunny Ashish Balmuchu and Mr.Shashi Kant Choubey informed the QRT members about the progress of advisory services related to weather conditions in agriculture prospect.







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