

## Interaction Meeting organized for promotion of Backyard Poultry among farmers in Chotaka Dhakaich, Buxar

An Interaction meeting and input distribution programme was organized by ICAR-RCER, Patna in collaboration with ICAR-ATARI, Patna and KVK, Buxar under the collaborative project entitled "**Development of zero hunger and zero technology gap village through innovative interventions**" at Chotaka Dhakaich Village, Simri, Buxar on 9<sup>th</sup> MAY, 2024. A team of scientists consisting of Dr Dhiraj Kumar Singh, Dr Jyoti Kumar and Dr Rohan Kumar Raman participated in discussion with farmers of the village for existing poultry production practices. Dr Jyoti Kumar, Veterinary scientist from institute gave suggestions for improved poultry production practices using poultry cages. On this occasion, five poultry cages were distributed to selected farmers for demonstration purpose along with 100 Vanraj Chicks to each which is a dual purpose poultry bird. Sufficient number of feeder, waterer and poultry feed was also provided for scientific production of the birds. Many women and landless labourers were also given 20-30 chicks for backyard poultry along with feed and other materials. Dr Dhiraj Kumar suggested farmers not to burn residues in the field to protect their soil. On this occasion, Mr Shekhar Kumar, Subdivision Agriculture Officer, Dumrour, Buxar and Dr Ramkewa, SMS, KVK, Buxar also interacted with farmers. Nearly, 40 farmers participated in this meeting and benefitted by inputs and suggestions given by scientists.

