



National Project Management Committee Meeting

Dehradun, 28 May, 2018. Two days National Project Management Committee meeting under Farmer FIRST Program (FFP) was held at ICAR-Indian Institute of Soil and Water Conservation, Dehradun. The first



phase of the program was implemented during 2016-18 at 52 centres across the country. The second phase is being launched for the year 2018-2020 for which the two day meeting was organized.

Dr AK Singh DDG (Agril. Extension), ICAR, New Delhi mentioned that the FFP was launched with the objective of directly involving the framers in the research modules and it is basically an applied research project. It is a saturation model which intends to saturate the adopted villages with technologies which can act as model villages for state government and NGOs for upscaling. He urged researchers involved in the Project to enhance partnership with the Line Departments working in their project areas and to bring the success stories and farmers innovation in public domain through different media platforms.

Dr PK Mishra, Director, ICAR-IISWC, Dehradun highlighted the importance of the Farmer FIRST Project in nation building. The farmers are the first and foremost stakeholders for entire ICAR and a project like this with the right intentions can help in reaching out to the farming community. He pointed out that the 52 centres across the country where the project was being implemented should come up with policy briefs for the State and Central Government for upscaling the most important achievements of the project.