

## Training on Nursery Management of Agroforestry and Horticulture Species (25-27 June) organized for farmers

A three days training program on 'Nursery Management of Agroforestry and Horticulture Species' was organized for farmers of two villages namely Paldi Ranawata and Dantiwada (Distt. Jodhpur) from 25<sup>th</sup>- 27<sup>th</sup> June



2019. The program was undertaken as part of NABARD funded project entitled 'Establishment of Participatory Nurseries for Sustainable Livelihoods in Western Arid Rajasthan'. Dr. O.P. Yadav, Director, CAZRI in his inaugural address, emphasized upon the importance of raising plant nursery at farmers' field along with other agricultural activities, so that seedlings can be made available at village level itself generating additional income for the farmers.

Sh. Naresh Ramani, DDM NABARD suggested farmers to actively participate in the program. Thirty one farmers participated in the program. Farmers were exposed to improved nursery raising and management practices. Hands-on practical exercises were conducted on budding and grafting of fruit seedlings. Interactive lectures covering a wide range of issues such as pest and disease management of nursery seedlings, quality production of vegetable seedlings, nutrient management in nursery, market intelligence, government schemes etc. were discussed along with field visits of institute farm. A training manual was also released on this occasion. The training was coordinated by Drs. Archana Verma, Akath Singh and Dipika Hajong.

