

Udaybhansinhji Regional Institute of Cooperative Management Sector- 30, Gandhinagar, Gujarat

Awareness Programme for farmers and Traders and Dal Mill Owners on
Warehousing Development and Regulation Act.2007

PROGRAMME REPORT

A one day Farmers' Awareness training programme on WDR Act 2007 and Scientific Storage System for farmers was conducted Organized on 2nd June, 2022 at Chalthan, Surat, Gujarat. The programme was attended by 50 progressive farmers and traders from villages as mentioned in the list.

For the inaugural session, Sh Bhavesh, CEO, Surat District Cooperative Union was present. He addressed the farmer participants on the need of storage for agriculture commodities. The sessions were taken by Sh. S D Naiwal, Ex. Manager, CWC - Nadiad, Kheda District, Gujarat on WDR Act 2007 and scientific storage system and its advantages . Sh Jaydeep Rana, Manager, Surat District Cooperative Bank, Surat guided the participants on repository system operations, advantages of Negotiable Warehouse Receipts (NWR) For Farmers including Financing of E-NWRs by banks and various loan facilities offered by the DCCBs to the farmers. Ms. N. Pandey, Prog Director, URICM, Gandhinagar also addressed the participants on scientific godown and storage. The programme was arranged at Chalthan, Surat. After lunch participants were taken to the visit of Godown – Central Warehouse Corporation, Varaccha, Surat, where grains - rice and wheat were stored. The farmers were shown the stakes, fumigation method, moisture meter, lab and explained about the storage system.

Participants learned the benefits of having a good godown in their own villages for preserving food grains in a scientifically constructed godown and how to get remunerative prices and timely money by pledging NWRs and even e-NWRs. Farmers appreciated the input and guidance provided by the bank manger regarding various loan facilities offered by DCCB, Valsad to the farmers.

