

Celebration of “World Soil Day” on 05-12-2018 at ICAR-IISS, Mau

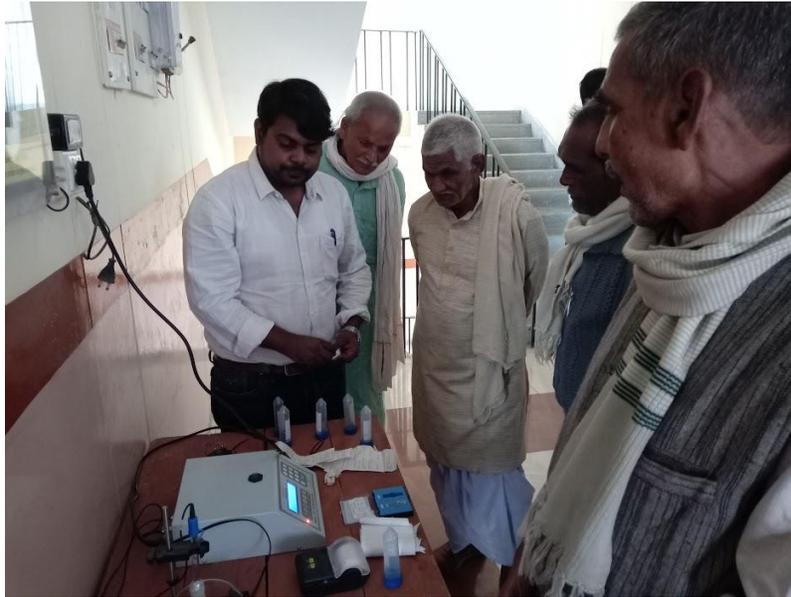
The “World Soil Day” was celebrated jointly by ICAR-Indian Institute of Seed Science, Mau and ICAR-National Bureau of Agriculturally Important Microorganisms, Mau. The programme started with ICAR song and Dr. P. K. Sharma, Principal Scientist ICAR-NBAIM welcomed all the participants including farmers and all the staff members from both the institutes. Dr. Kalyani Kumari, Scientist, ICAR-IISS, elaborated the importance of world soil day with its theme “Be the Solution to Soil Pollution”. Dr. Govind Pal, I/c Director, ICAR-IISS, Mau elucidated the importance of soil in crop production and also explained briefly about soil health card scheme and its implementation including how to use information of soil health card for the better management of nutrients in crop plants. Dr. Anil Kumar Saxena, Director, ICAR-NBAIM addressed the gathering and highlighted the importance of soil health and the role played by microorganisms in maintaining soil health and fertility. Further, he also suggested the farmers to utilize the different technology including microbial formulations to improve the soil fertility and productivity and finally appealed the all the participants to conserve the soil to future generation. Dr. Arjun Singh and Dr. Kumar, Scientists, ICAR-NBAIM, explained in detail importance and use of Soil Testing and Fertilizer Recommendation (STFR) meter and also demonstrated how to test soil sample to farmers. In this celebration about 100 participants including 60 farmers participated. Further, farmers were also taken to the field to demonstrate zero tillage in wheat seed production. The programme was co-ordinated by Dr. P. K. Sharma, Principal Scientist, ICAR-NBAIM and Dr. Boraiah. K. M., Scientist, ICAR- IISS.



Dr. Kalyani Kumari, Scientist, ICAR- IISS, elaborating the importance of world soil day with its theme “Be the Solution to Soil Pollution”.



Dr. A. K. Saxena, Director, ICAR-NBAIM addressing the participants including farmers.



Dr. Arjun Singh, Scientist, ICAR-NBAIM demonstrating the use of STFR meter to farmers