

ICAR-National Research Centre for Grapes, Pune

Farmers' awareness campaign – Efficient and Balanced Use of Fertilizers

The centre along with Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Jalna-I organised Kisan Awareness Programme on 21st June, 2022 in KVK Auditorium at Jalna, an emerging grape growing area in Maharashtra. A total of 190 persons participated with 97 of them being grape growers of Jalna area. The programme started at 10.00 am and ended at 2.00pm. The programme started with customary welcome of the participants by KVK Incharge Dr SV Sonune. This was followed by presentation by Dr A K Upadhyay (Principal Scientist, ICAR-NRC Grapes) on the 'Efficient and Balanced use of Fertilizers'. Soils being mainly calcareous in nature in those areas, emphasis was laid more on efficient nutrient management in these soils. The nutritional problems currently being experienced by the farmers during fruit differentiation stage and likely issues during cane maturity stage were also discussed in detail. Dr R.G. Somkuwar stressed on the importance of need based fertilizer application during foundation pruning season for proper fruit bud differentiation. This was followed by question- answer session with the grape growers. The programme ended with vote of thanks by Dr A K Upadhyay. The programme ended with vote of thanks by Mr Rahul Chaudhari, SMS (Soil Science), KVK.

Sl. No.	Name of the institute	No. of participants attending the programme		No. of VIPs attended	Name of the prominent VIP
		Total participants	No. of farmers		
1	ICAR-NRC Grapes	190	97	Nil	-



