

## **Two-Day Training Program on Scientific Goat Rearing Begins** **in Rabindra Nagar**

The Department of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services (AH&VS), Andaman and Nicobar Administration, commenced a two-day training program on “Scientific Rearing and Management of Goats” on August 6, 2025, at the Panchayat Community Hall in Rabindra Nagar (28 km). The initiative aims to enhance livestock productivity and promote sustainable livelihoods for farmers through improved goat farming practices.

The program was inaugurated by Smti. Sanjeeta, Pradhan of Rabindra Nagar. They addressed the participating farmers, emphasizing the importance of learning scientific rearing methods and addressing common local challenges in goat farming. The Sarpanch and other Panchayat Raj Institution (PRI) members also attended, reinforcing community support for the initiative. Their presence highlighted the significance of collaborative efforts in advancing animal husbandry practices.

The technical session covered essential aspects of goat rearing, including shed construction, balanced feeding, farm operations, and the prevention and control of common diseases. Veterinary experts provided practical guidance to equip farmers with skills to improve goat health and productivity. Reading materials and plastic basins were distributed to support the implementation of these practices. The training will continue on August 7, 2025, with a veterinary camp and distribution of medicines to further assist farmers in maintaining healthy livestock.

This initiative reflects the AH&VS Department’s commitment to strengthening animal husbandry activities in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands. The active participation of farmers and local leaders underscores the community’s enthusiasm for adopting modern farming techniques. The department plans to conduct similar programs across other regions to ensure farmers have access to essential knowledge and resources, aligning with the Andaman and Nicobar Administration’s vision of fostering sustainable rural development and economic empowerment through livestock management.

