

Biogas Demonstration in Car Nicobar Wins Praise from Chief Secretary

During a recent visit to Tapoiming village in Car Nicobar, Dr. Chandra Bhushan Kumar, IAS, Chief Secretary, Andaman and Nicobar Islands, experienced a cup of coffee prepared using a portable biogas plant. The Chief Secretary, accompanied by Smt. Pallavi Sarkar, IAS, Secretary (Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services), Shri Amit Kale, IAS, Deputy Commissioner, Nicobar District, and senior officers of the Administration, reviewed activities under Spice Parvah Month. These included the planting of spice plant saplings at an agricultural farm and the distribution of chicks and other farm inputs under Target 2.0 at the community hall.

The zonal office of the Department of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services (AH&VS) presented a live demonstration of a portable biogas plant. This simple yet effective setup showcased the potential of biogas as a clean, renewable, and locally viable energy source, capable of reducing greenhouse gas emissions and managing organic waste efficiently. Impressed by the technology's potential, Dr. Chandra Bhushan Kumar directed authorities to introduce portable biogas digesters to the community on a pilot basis, paving the way for wider adoption across the islands. He emphasized that such technology could transform energy access for remote island communities like Car Nicobar, where conventional energy sources are limited.

The initiative aligns with the Andaman and Nicobar Administration's commitment to promoting sustainable energy solutions and reducing dependency on non-renewable fuels. By harnessing biogas, island communities can lower their carbon footprint, utilize organic waste effectively, and move toward a self-reliant, eco-friendly future. The demonstration reflects the AH&VS Department's dedication to integrating innovative technologies into rural development, fostering environmental sustainability, and enhancing community welfare across the Andaman and Nicobar Islands.

