

**SKILL UPGRADATION TRAINING ON SMALL SCALE GOAT FARMING
KRISHI VIGYAN KENDRA, R-UDAYAGIRI, GAJAPATI**

Organized by: Krishi Vigyan Kendra, R-Udayagiri

Venue: Training Hall, KVK, Gajapati

Date: 10.2.2026 to 12.2.2026

Number of Participants: 20

Introduction:

The Department of Animal Resources Development (ARD) extended all possible support and cooperation to Odisha KVKs for conducting various skill development training programmes on allied sectors for the registered farmers/entrepreneurs. A three-day Skill Upgradation Training on Small Scale Goat Farming was organized at the Training Hall of Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Gajapati from **10.2.2026 to 12.2.2026**. The programme aimed to enhance the knowledge and practical skills of farmers and rural youth in scientific goat farming practices and to encourage entrepreneurship in small-scale livestock enterprises.

Objectives of the Training:

- To upgrade the skills of farmers and rural youth in scientific goat farming.
- To improve understanding of goat value chain and market opportunities.
- To provide practical knowledge on feeding management and disease prevention.
- To motivate participants towards entrepreneurship in goat farming.

Participants:

A total of 20 participants, including farmers and rural youth from different villages of Gajapati district, actively participated in the training programme.

Training Methodology:

The training programme included lectures, interactive discussions, practical demonstrations, and a field visit. The sessions were designed to provide both theoretical knowledge and practical exposure to the participants.

Day-wise Training Details:

Day-1:

Resource person:

Dr. Suchita Kumari Patra BVO, R. Udayagiri

Dr Alok Prabha Samantaray OIC DDL, Gajapati

Dr. Suhree Choudhury Scientist (Horticulture) KVK. Gajapati

Dr. Sarita Rani Sadangi VAS MVU, Nuagada

The training programme started with an introduction to goat farming and its role in rural livelihood. The session covered the Goat Value Chain, highlighting production, processing, and marketing aspects. Major issues in rural goat farming such as poor nutrition, disease incidence, lack of

improved breeds, and marketing constraints were discussed. Remedial measures and scientific management practices were also explained to help farmers improve productivity and profitability.

Day-2:

Resource person:

Dr Alok Prabha Samantaray OIC DDL, Gajapati
Dr. Suchita Kumari Patra BVO, R. Udayagiri
Dr. Sumitra Panigrahi VAS, Rayagada
Dr.Sarita Rani Sadangi VAS MVU, Nuagada

The second day focused on Feeding Management of Goats, including balanced nutrition, fodder resources, and feeding strategies for different age groups. Importance of green fodder, dry fodder, and concentrate feed was explained.

Day-3:

Resource person:

Dr Alok Prabha Samantaray OIC DDL, Gajapati
Dr. Sumitra Panigrahi VAS, Rayagada
Dr.Sarita Rani Sadangi VAS MVU,Nuagada
Dr. Sangram Paramaguru SSH, KVK, Gajapati

A practical field visit was organized on third day where participants observed feeding practices, housing conditions, and overall management of goats in a farm setting. The session also included Entrepreneurship Skill Development, where participants were guided on starting small-scale goat farming as a business, including cost management, marketing, and income opportunities.

Outcome of the Training:

Participants gained valuable knowledge on scientific goat farming practices,. The field visit enhanced their practical understanding, and many participants expressed interest in adopting improved goat farming practices and starting small-scale goat enterprises.

Conclusion:

The training programme was successfully conducted with active participation and interaction from the trainees. The participants appreciated the practical orientation and expressed confidence in applying the learned techniques to improve their livelihoods through goat farming.

Glimpses of 3 days Training Programme



Training



Inaguration of Training



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Practical demonstration and Field visit



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