

ICAR-CIARI Invites Island Farmers, Youth and Women for Three-Day Training on Scientific Spice Cultivation

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The ICAR-Central Island Agricultural Research Institute (ICAR-CIARI), Sri Vijaya Puram, has invited applications from interested farmers, youth and women from the Andaman and Nicobar Islands to participate in a three-day training programme on **“Scientific Cultivation and Post-harvest Management of Major Spice Crops of the Bay Islands.”**

The training will be conducted from **August 17 to 19, 2026**, at the Garacharma campus of ICAR-CIARI.

Spices are high-value, low-volume crops considered suitable for cultivation in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands. The training aims to help participants adopt scientific techniques to improve the profitability of spice cultivation.

Participants will receive theoretical and practical knowledge on various aspects of spice cultivation, including propagation, cultivation practices, intercropping, aftercare, harvesting and post-harvest management.

The number of participants is limited to 25. Interested persons may send their name, educational qualification, age and profession to Dr. Ajit Arun Waman, Senior Scientist and Course Director, at 9933263441 on or before August 14, 2026. Shortlisted participants will be informed in advance.

Working lunch will be provided to the participants.

The training programme is being organised with financial support from the **Directorate of Arecanut and Spices Development, Kozhikode**, and technical support from the **All India Coordinated Research Project on Plantation Crops**, for the benefit of farmers in the islands.