New Delhi, Oct 29: DBT-Institute of Bioresources and Sustainable Development (IBSD) held a one day interaction program on Orchid cultivation on 19th October, 2020 at Bioresources Park, Haraorou. Dr. Pulok Mukherjee, Director, IBSD graced the function and all the scientists and officials of the Institute were also present.

The program was organized under the IBSD’s Flagship Program on Orchids entitled “Conservation, Propagation and Mass Multiplication of Selected Orchids, species for developing bio based entrepreneurship in North East India”.

In this program, 50 potential farmers were given Orchids plantlets for entrepreneurship development and to start their own mass cultivation to uplift their socio-economic conditions. The program was for different groups of farmers starting from unemployed youths, skilled labourers and also housewives who want to develop entrepreneurship development regarding orchids cultivation. The main aims of the interaction program were to give information on importance of Orchids species which can be used as ornamental cut flowers with a long vase life and this occupied 80% of the market value. A detail write up regarding cultivation and harvesting techniques on Orchids were distributed.
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