

REPORT ON THE 9TH DAY OF THE GREEN SKILL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME (GSDP)

Certificate Course on “Apiculturist (Wild Bee) – NTFP” for ST Candidates

Day: 09

Date: 25 September 2026

Venue: College of Agriculture, Iroisemba, Central Agricultural University (CAU), Imphal

Resource Persons:

1. Dr. Pukhram Bhumita, Assistant Professor, Integrated Bee Development Centre (IBDC), Central Agricultural University, Imphal.
2. Priyanka, Ph.D. Scholar, Department of Entomology.

Session Summary

The ninth day of the Green Skill Development Programme (GSDP) focused on a classroom discussion and review of the field visits conducted on the previous day. The sessions also included discussions on the procurement of beekeeping equipment and a practical demonstration of the hive structure of stingless bees.

1. Discussion on the Site Visit and Procurement of Equipment:

The session commenced with a review of the field visits undertaken on the previous day at Matai Mamang Leikai, Imphal East, and Phayeng, Imphal West. The trainees and resource persons discussed the different types of bee boxes observed at both locations, highlighting their respective features and applications. The discussion also covered the practical exposure gained by the trainees to bee-catching techniques practised by local beekeepers.

Dr. Pukhram Bhumita, Assistant Professor, Integrated Bee Development Centre (IBDC), Central Agricultural University, Imphal, explained the procedures for procuring bee boxes and other essential beekeeping equipment through the concerned line department. An interactive session was also conducted, during which trainees shared their experiences, provided feedback and raised queries regarding the training programme.

3. Demonstration of Stingless Bee Hive:

Priyanka, Ph.D. Scholar, Department of Entomology, conducted a practical demonstration of the hive structure of stingless bees. During the demonstration, she explained the arrangement of the combs, the internal structure of the hive and its distinguishing features compared with those of other bee species.

The demonstration provided trainees with an opportunity to observe and gain a better understanding of the structural characteristics of stingless bee hives.



Resource person addressing the trainees during the classroom session at the College of Agriculture, Iroisemba.



Trainees participating in an interactive discussion on the previous day's field visits and observations of different types of bee boxes.



Close-up view of a stingless bee hive during the practical demonstration.



Priyanka, Ph.D. Scholar, Department of Entomology, demonstrating and explaining the comb arrangement and internal structure of a stingless bee hive.



Group photograph of the resource persons and trainees at the Integrated Beekeeping Development Centre, College of Agriculture, Iroisemba.