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WTC GOA ORGANISES EDUCATIONAL TRIP TO FARMLAND

The agriculture sector in Goa is vibrant and is a source of food, livelihood and investment for the state of Goa. During monsoons, the vibrancy of this sector is at its peak as it brings in the much-needed water supply that facilitates planting of major crops like rice, as well as helps and aids in the growing of different fruit and vegetable varieties. In order to understand agricultural techniques and Mr. Sandeep Prabhudesai appraised the participants on making good natural manure from coconut husk and explained about its ideal placement for maximum absorption so that a natural symbiotic relationship is maintained. He also explained the technique of using Honey bees for cross pollination of various fruit bearing plants for enhancing their yield. An in-depth understanding of nature's logic is very important for better farming practices, said Mr. Prabhudesai. Mixed farming with multiple crops is a practice that Mr. Prabhudesai encourages so that fertility in the soil can be naturally enhanced. Dr Jaanvi Prabhudesai spoke about cultivation of medicinal and herbal plants that can be used to prepare medicines as well as used in cosmetics. She was a firm believer that good quality of water and soil available in Goa was a big plus point for commercial growth of different medicinal plants for domestic as well as international markets. Dr Prabhudesai also gave a short talk on the menace of wild animals and how one could deal with this in a humane and friendly way.

The Farm Visit was organized on June 21, 2022, at Rivona, Quepem, Goa