International Workshop on 

**TRAINING TOOLS FOR KNOWLEDGE DISSEMINATION AMONG WOMEN SELF HELP GROUPS**

(Under the Project funded by DFID’s Development Partnerships in Higher Education)

**INAUGURATION**
11.00 - 12.00 Hrs, Friday, 20th November, 2009
Studio - 2, EMPC, IGNOU, New Delhi-110068, India

**WORKSHOP**
12.30 – 17.00 Hrs Friday, 20th November, 2009
&
10.00 – 17.00 Hrs Saturday, 21st November, 2009
Convention Centre, IGNOU, New Delhi-110068, India

**INAUGURATION**
- Welcome
  Prof. Parvin Sinclair, Pro-Vice Chancellor, IGNOU
- Overview of Project & Workshop
  Dr. S. Ramkumar, RAGACOVAS Puducherry
- About Project Activities
  Prof. Chris Garforth, University of Reading, UK
- Address by Chief Guest
  Dr. V.V. Sadamate, Adviser (Agriculture), Planning Commission, Govt. of India
- Address by Guest of Honour
  Prof. Geetha Bali, Vice-Chancellor, Karnataka State, Women’s University, Bijapur
- Presidential Address
  Prof. V.N. Rajasekharan Pillai, Vice-Chancellor, IGNOU
- Questions & Answers
  Project Team
- Vote of Thanks
  Prof. B.K. Pattanaik, Director, SOEDS, IGNOU

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About the Project

Rajiv Gandhi College of Veterinary and Animal Sciences (RAGACOVAS), Puducherry is leading a 3 years research project on Improving Livelihood Security Of Women Self Help Groups (WSHG) Involved In Livestock Rearing Through Capacity Building In Gender Awareness funded under the Development Partnerships in Higher Education (DelPHE) Project of the DFID through the British Council. The interdisciplinary study is being carried out in four Southern Indian states in addition to Puducherry with focus on dynamics of WSHGs involved in livestock rearing in terms of:

- Distribution of benefits of livestock rearing.
- Understand knowledge processes, identify knowledge needs and develop methods for meeting those needs through poverty mapping and appropriately designed knowledge kits.

Salient Achievements

- Survey among 1283 livestock-dependent women self help group members across 5 South Indian states
- Four State Level Workshops in the respective states on Problems and Prospects in Knowledge Dissemination on Livestock Rearing among Women Self Help Groups.
- New module on “Gender and Livestock Development” developed which was introduced as a course in PG studies of Women’s Studies and Veterinary Extension.

About the International Workshop

International Workshop on “Training Tools for Knowledge Dissemination among Women Self Help Groups” is being organized during 20 - 21 November 2009 at IGNOU, New Delhi with the major objectives of:

- To present the findings on the testing of the designed knowledge kits among the Women Self Help groups.
- To highlight the use of the knowledge kits among the policy makers.

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