Support for Capacity Building for Adoption of Technology (CAT)

Technological upgradation and innovation in agriculture have been the hall mark of Indian Agriculture. To widen the horizon of new agri-technology, the farmers need to be motivated to adopt new technologies by educating them through exposure visits to innovative projects being implemented by various agencies in different parts of the country. NABARD has been in the forefront in facilitating adoption of modern technology by farmers/ entrepreneurs through promoting institutions/ agencies like banks, corporates, NGOs, SHGs, Farmers’ Clubs, etc.

During 2017-18, 255 exposure visits were sanctioned under CAT, in collaboration with select Research Institutes, KVKs and SAUs to build the capacity of around 7757 farmers (including 553 women) for adopting new/innovative methods of farming. The areas covered under the exposure visits were agri-extension services, dairy farming, integrated farming methods, organic farming, etc. A grant assistance to the extent of Rs.1.47 crore was disbursed during the year under this initiative.