## ICAR-CSSRI organized a World Soil Day campaign at Village Pundrak, Karnal on $5^{\rm th}$ December 2023

ICAR-Central Soil Salinity Research Institute (CSSRI), Karnal organized a World Soil Day campaign at Village Pundrak, Karnal with aims to connect the people with soils and raise awareness on their critical importance in the human life and to restore and preserve the soil health. The campaign was organized by a team of four scientist namely Dr. R. K. Fagodiya, Dr. Kailash Prajapat, Dr. Parul Sundha, and Priyanka Chandra of CSSRI. Campaign was organized with about the 40 female farmers of the Pundrak village, and with about 50 School Children of Govt. Senior Secondary School, Pundrak. At the outset of the programme, Dr. Kailsh Prajapat briefed the farmers and school children about the about the World Soil Day and soil health. He said that the theme of the World Soil Day 2023 is "Soil and Water: A Source of Life" which state the importance of both soil and water as source of life. Dr. Parul Sundha explained about the various organic amendments such as farm yard manure, compost, municipal solid waste compost etc. and their importance in soil health management. She explained the detail procedure of compost preparation. Dr, Priyanka Chandra, discussed about the soil biological health and water management. Dr. R. K. Fagodiya explained about the importance of Santulit Poshak Taty in crop production and soil health management. He also briefed the student about the Agricultural Education and job opportunities in agricultural sector. Shri Mohan Singh Rana, Principal, Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Pundrak, and other teachers namely Ishwar Singh and Sunita Malik were also present.

Glimpse of World Soil Day Campaign Organized by ICAR-CSSRI at Pundrak Village



Female Farmers of Village Pundrak participated in the World Soil Day Campaign





Students of Govt. Senior Secondary School, Pundrak, Karnal attended World Soil Day Campaign

## Media coverage of World Soil Day Campaign Organized by ICAR-CSSRI, Karnal

