

**The okra field day event was organized by Main Vegetable Research Station, Anand Agricultural University, Anand at Rampura, Po. Chaklasi, Ta. Nadiad**

The okra field day event was organized on 19<sup>th</sup> June, 2024 at Rampura, Post Chaklasi, Taluka Nadiad, District Kheda, under the guidance of Dr. K. B. Kathiriya, Vice-Chancellor of Anand Agricultural University, and Dr. M. K. Zala, Director of Research AAU, Anand to popularize the hybrid variety of okra, Anand Kranti, developed by the Main Vegetable Research Station, AAU, Anand. Seventy-five farmers attended the event. Dr. R. R. Acharya, Research Scientist (Vegetables), welcomed all the dignitaries and farmers and provided detailed information about the improved and hybrid vegetable crop varieties released by the center. The chief guest, Dr. Rajesh Kumar, Project Coordinator at the Indian Institute of Vegetable Research, Varanasi, discussed various vegetable crop varieties released nationally and the Anand Kranti okra variety developed by AAU, Anand, with the farmers. Dr. S.N. Shah, Assistant Director of Research, informed the farmers about the different crop varieties released and technologies recommended by AAU, Anand. Dr. Shailesh D. Patel, Assistant Extension Director, detailed the various training programmes conducted at AAU, Anand. Dr. Mihir M. Pandya, Assistant Research Scientist, provide brief information on package of practices and characteristics of the okra hybrid “Anand Kranti”. Dr. N. A. Patel, Assistant Research Scientist, interacted with the farmers and resolved their concerns regarding vegetable crops. Farmers from Rampura, Chaklasi and adjoining villages who had cultivated the Anand Kranti provided their positive feedback. The field day event was attended by scientists from the center, including Mr. K.J. Vakariya, Dr. Ujjwal Patel and the other employees of the MVRS, AAU, Anand. Lastly, Dr. Vipul Kapadia expressed his gratitude to all of the present farmers, scientists, dignitaries, and journalists.



