

## Institute-Village Interface

The Institute-Village interface is one of the major components of Extension Research. Periodic training programmes / awareness campaigns are being conducted to the sugarcane farmers in the villages in and around Coimbatore district. A number of field days have been organized by this Institute in nearby villages wherein sugarcane production technologies are explained to the farmers by interactive meetings involving the Scientists of the Institute and the local farmers, the latest one conducted on 28 November 2013 in Perunthalaiyur village, Erode district. A number of **front-line demonstrations** had been conducted in the villages over the past several years demonstrating improved crop production technologies to the farmers. The following is a list of most recently conducted demonstrations in the nearby villages:

S.No	Name of the village	Technology demonstrated
1.	Villages in Tirupur and Coimbatore Districts	8 front line demonstrations (2 each for sugarcane varieties, Bio-fertilizer applications, paired row with drip irrigation and wide row spacing)
2.	Reserved area under Bannari Amman Sugars Ltd	Six trials on Varieties, Bio-fertilizer applications, paired row with drip irrigation
3.	Perur chettipalayam, Coimbatore	Sugarcane varieties – Co 94012 & Co 86032
4.	Kuppaiapalayam village, Kattampatti P.O, Avanashi Tk.	Bio-fertilizer application
5.	Chinnamathampalayam, Periyanaicken palayam, Coimbatore Dt.	Pit method of planting with drip fertigation
6.	Nambiyampalayam Village, Avanashi Tk.	Paired row planting with drip fertigation
7.	Kurumbapalayam village, Avanashi Tk.	Paired row planting with drip fertigation
8.	Alanthurai, Coimbatore	Sugarcane varieties – Co 94012 & Co 86032
9.	Erode and Coimbatore districts	Sugarcane varieties – Co 99006 and Co 86032

In addition, a number of training programmes have been arranged in the Institute for the benefit of farmers on various production technologies. During 2013-14, six such programs were conducted.