Curriculum outline of 5 days long training on Introductory Organic Farming and Permaculture

Session starts at 8.00 AM and ends at 5.00 PM. Evening time will be for audiovisuals, home works and issue based discussions.

Day 1

Introduction of the participants and resource persons Objectives and outline of the course Past experiences and expectations of the participants Concepts, steps and status of organic farming and Permaculture

Day 2

Review and planning Guided tour of HASERA farm and feed backs Appropriate vegetable varieties to grow organically in according to locations and seasons Good seed selection and varietal development (**Practical**) Healthy nursery production and selection of promising seedlings (**Practical**) Special soil preparation system for organic vegetable farming:: sheet composting (**Practical**)

Day 3

Pest preventive planting pattern:: *Kiriko Tirimiri* (**Practical**) Vegetable families and crop rotation Identification & management of pests and beneficial organisms in vegetable garden (**Practical**)

Day 4

Quality control and marketing of organic vegetables Case studies and exposure visits to some successful organic vegetable gardens Designing integrated organic vegetable garden with the principles of Permaculture (**Practical**)

Day 5

Design presentations and feed back Special issues of participants interests regarding organic vegetable production Training summery Post test Training evaluation Certification and closing