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A Village Watershed Committee Inception Meeting was conducted by Development Alternatives (DA) on 19th April 2018 in villages Budpura and Pura of Jhansi, under the project, 'Watershed Development Fund – Final Implementation Phase'. The objective of the meeting was to orient the committee members, community, farmers and SHG members about the project and its measures. Shobhit Pratap Singh (Project Manager, DA) opened the meeting, briefing the participants on the project and its components. Thereafter, Chandan Kumar Mishra (Deputy Programme Director, DA) explained each of these components with detail and precision, with special emphasis on the soil and water conservation activities of the project. He stated that the success of watershed projects depends on the participation of community members in the implementation process. He reinforced this by encouraging all members to come forward and participate in a proactive fashion. Ajay Kumar Soni (District Development Manager, NABARD, Jhansi) explained the roles and responsibilities of the Village Watershed Committee, and highlighted the need for systematic record maintenance in the project.