

"Agricultural Education Day" celebrated at ICAR Institutes

Indian Council of Agricultural Research has designatedon 3rd December as "Agricultural Education Day" to commemorate the birth anniversary of first President of Independent India and Union Minister of Agriculture, Bharat Ratna, Dr. Rajendra Prasad.

The objective of this day was to expose students including schools to various facets of agriculture and its relevance to country's development, inspire them and attract them towards agriculture, so that they develop interest in agriculture and allied subjects, choose professional career after schooling in some of these courses, engage themselves in agriculture and related activities or become agrientrepreneurs in future.

ICAR Institutes across the country organized Debate Competitions, Essay Competitions, Art Competition, Exhibitions, and Interaction with Agricultural Scientists, Policy Makers / Administrators and Farmers for school children.

ICAR-National Academy of Agricultural Research & Management, Hyderabad



Dr. Trilochan Mohapatra, Secretary (DARE) & Director General (ICAR) was the Chief Guest of the event. In his presidential address, he emphasized that agriculture has over 20 disciplines with components related to engineering, computer science, biotechnology, nanotechnology, space technology, etc which would match the diverse aspirations of the current generations. He stressed that agriculture faces multiple challenges, the largest being from the changing climate and called upon the young minds to explore agriculture for addressing the issues and serving the farmers of our country. More than 300 students participated in various events.

ICAR-National Bureau of Fish Genetic Resources, Lucknow



The institute organised a drawing and painting competition for school children on this occasion. A total of 66 school children of classes VIth to XIth standard from various schools located at Lucknow participated in the competition. The theme of competition for classes VIth to VIIth was "Clean Environment" and for classes XIth to XIIth "Aquatic Biodiversity". A visit to "Ganga Aquarium" and laboratories was also organised for school children. Lecture on the topic "Agricultural Education in India" was delivered on this occasion.

ICAR-Indian Institute of Soil & Water Conservation, Dehradun

Students from ICAR-Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi and Maya Devi College of Agriculture, Dehradun visited the Institute Museum and were exposed to the different soil and water conservation activities and watershed management programs going on in the institute.

ICAR- Central Institute of Fisheries Technology, Cochin



ICAR-CIFT organized one-day seminar on "Importance of Agricultural Education in India" for school students and farmers'- scientist's interaction-cum-training programme for the Fisher women.

Training programme on "Women Self-Employment through Improved Techniques of Fish Processing and Value Addition" for the women SHGs (Kudumbasree) of Thoppumpady area of Willingdon Island in Cochin. The programme was participated by 25 women members from seven SHGs (Kudumbasree) operating in Thoppumpady area.



Mrs. Malini Iiju, Councilor, Thoppumpady, in her inaugural address, emphasized on cost effectiveness of fish harvesting and fish processing technologies for wide-scale adoption.

Seminar on "Importance of Agricultural Education in India" was organized for the higher secondary students at KendriyaVidyalaya (KV), Port Trust, Willingdon Island, Cochin to highlight the significance of Agricultural Research, Education and Extension in various spheres of agricultural sciences and motivate the students to put their best efforts in shaping their career in the field of agriculture.

ICAR-ICAR Research Complex for NEH Region, Barapani

On Krishi Siksha Diwas (Agriculture Education Day) Dr. Satish Chandra, Director-In-Charge, ICAR RC for NEH Region, highlighted the growing importance of quality education in different agriculture and allied subjects.



Various events like slogan writing, poster making and debate competition, with topics relevant to the present scenario of agricultural education, were held.

Students of B.Voc in Agriculture from Tata Institute of Social Sciences-School of Vocational Education, Guwahati and other research scholars from ICAR RC for NEH Region participated in the events.

More than 80 students participated in the competitions.

Agriculture Education day celebrated at KVK, Peruvannamuzhi



Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Indian Institute of Spices Research, Peruvannamuzhi observed Open Day on 3rd December, 2016 (10.00 am to 4.00 pm) for School students of Kozhikode district. Total about 60 persons including students from five schools were visited KVK and practically learned the cutting, budding, layering methods of propagation and Oyster mushroom production. They also visited KVK demonstration units namely Integrated Farming system model, Vermicomposting unit, Azolla unit, hatchery, Goatary, Nursery and Poly house besides interacted with the Scientists on biocontrol methods of pest and disease, Soil testing, etc. A quiz programme was also organized on the day to facilitate the students and aware about the latest agricultural scenario of the country said by Dr. P. Ratha Krishnan, Programme Coordinator, KVK.

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