

World Soil Day Celebrated at ICAR Institutes

5th December, 2015

ICAR Institutes celebrated World Soil Day today by organizing special events and distribution of Soil Health Cards to farmers. Farmers were invited to participate and were educated to use the cards for maximizing farm productivity.



ICAR-Indian Institute of Soil and Water Conservation, Dehradun

ICAR-IISWC and Indian Association of Soil and Water Conservationist, Dehradun jointly organized World Soil Day celebration.

Sh. Rajkumar, MLA and Parliamentary Secretary Uttarakhand Assembly, speaking as Chief Guest expressed his concern on shrinking farming land around Dehradun and migration from the hills. He also appealed Scientists and Farmers to pay attention towards sustainable and profitable farming.

Dr. Rajender Dobhal, DG, UCOST and Guest of Honor suggested farmers for applying manures and fertilizer on the basis of soil test report and crop requirement. He also highlighted the importance of soil micronutrients to vegetable and fruit crops with specific example of tomato and pomegranate.

Dr. P.K. Mishra, Director, ICAR-IISWC administered the "pledge on Save Soil Campaign".

On behalf of the village farmers, Gram pradhan from village Attal, village Sainj, village Thatut and village Naini received soil health cards.

In his speech, Sh. Rajkumar Chief Guest also visited exhibition organized by HRD Division.

More than 150 stakeholders participated in the programme including 30 farmers, 10 students, School teachers, Scientists, Technical and administrative