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ICAR Institutes celebrate World Food Day - 2021

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With an aim to create awareness and urge for collective action to combat the issues of hunger and ensure healthy diets for all, the World Food Day is celebrated on 16th November globally. This Year, the day was celebrated across the globe on the Theme - "Our actions are our future. Better production, better nutrition, better environment and a better life".

The ICAR Institutes pan India also celebrated the day with full zeal and fervor.

ICAR-Central Institute for Women in Agriculture, Bhubaneswar, Odisha

The Institute celebrated the World Food Day on the Theme "Safe Food now for a Healthy Tomorrow".

In his address, the Chief Guest, Dr. O.N. Singh, Vice-Chancellor, BAU, Kanke, Ranchi, Jharkhand emphasized that by empowering the women in agriculture and improvement in their access to the technologies and services can bring extraordinary changes in the present agricultural production scenario of the country.



Dr. Anil Kumar, Director, ICAR-CIWA, Bhubaneswar outlined the challenges faced by the nation regarding the malnutrition among women and children.

At the outset, Dr. Lipi Das, Principal Scientist & Nodal, World Food Day, ICAR-CIWA highlighted the alarming situation of malnutrition and rank of India in the Global Hunger Index in the Post-Pandemic condition. The role of farm women in ensuring the nutritional security by production of targeted Nutri-cereals (nutrition-rich crops) like Millets and promotion of Homestead Gardens & diversification of agriculture production was also emphasized by Dr. Das.

Around 100 participants participated in the programme.

ICAR-Directorate of Coldwater Fisheries Research, Bhimtal, Uttarakhand

The Directorate in association with the Green Mount Global School, Kwerali, Bhimtal celebrated the vday with full fervor.



In his address, Dr. Pramod Kumar Pandey, Director, ICAR-DCFR, Bhimtal stressed on the need of collective actions for combating the issues of hunger and ensuring healthy diets for all. Dr. Pandey also encouraged the students to include fish in their diets for boosting brain development and other health benefits.

Around 100 participants including students, teachers and scientists attended the programme.

ICAR-Indian Institute of Soil & Water Conservation, Dehradun, Uttarakhand

The Institute organized a Seminar on "Critical Concerns of Food, Nutrition and Environmental Security" to mark the celebrations of the "World Food Day - 2021".



In his inaugural address, Dr. M. Madhu, Director, ICAR-IISWC, Dehradun stressed on the need for improving the quality of foods produced besides the focus of improving the quantity of foods produced in order to meet the growing needs of balanced food and nutrition.

The various concepts and issues related to the food, nutrition and environmental security were discussed and comprehended for better understanding, planning and strategizing the future research & development programmes.

Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Washim, Maharashtra

The KVK organized the Farmers'-Scientists-Interaction Meet and Mass Awareness Programme in the Village Shirsala of Malegaon Block, Maharashtra.



In his address, the Chief Guest, Shri Vithoba Ingole, Progressive Farmer urged for conducting the need-based demonstration like model orchard, decomposer use and also arrange exposure study tours of the farmers for the adoption of technologies.

ICAR-National Research Centre on Camel, Bikaner, Rajasthan

The Centre celebrated the "World Food Day - 2021" on the Theme - "Rural Women Cultivating Good & Safe Food for a Healthy Tomorrow" at the Village Pemasar, Udasar, Sagar and Bichwal Area of Bikaner, Rajasthan today.





In his address, the Chief Guest, Shri Ramesh Tambia, District Development Manager, NABARD stressed on the need to produce and consume food from a public health point of view and prevent its wastage. He also sensitized the women farmers to refrain from using the pesticides for preventing its entry into the human chain.

Dr. Artabandhu Sahoo, Director, ICAR-NRC on Camel highlighted the contributions of women in agricultural work in terms of food production. He also urged the women farmers to come forward for preparing the value-added food products from Camel Milk.

A total of 85 Women participated in the programme.

(Source: Respective ICAR Institutes)

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