

National Level DAESI Sammelana

DIRECTORATE OF EXTENSION of UAS, Bangalore organized DAESI Sammelana on 18th October, 2023 at GKVK to create a platform for the certificate holders of Diploma in Agricultural Extension Services for Input dealers (DAESI) and to showcase their activities as Para Extension Workers. Dr. S.V. Suresha, Vice-Chancellor gave his initial remarks about the DAESI programme, highlighted the significant achievements of the University and welcomed the dignitaries. Shri Siddaramaiah, Hon'ble Chief Minister, Government of Karnataka inaugurated the programme and in his address, urged the input dealers to work as Para-extension workers for the welfare of the farmers like the erstwhile Gramasevaks who worked in the Karnataka State Department of Agriculture. Shri N. Chaluvaryaswamy,

Hon'ble Minister of Agriculture, GoK appreciated the aim and efforts in upgrading the knowledge of the input dealers. Shri Krishna Byre Gowda, Hon'ble Minister of Revenue, GoK presided over the programme and appealed the input dealers to be honest and have social responsibility apart from business orientation. Shri Sharath Bachegowda, Member of Legislative Assembly (Hosakote) and Member, Board of Management of UAS-B; Shri Narendra Swamy, Member of Legislative Assembly (Malavalli); Dr. P. Chandrashekara, Director General (MANAGE), Hyderabad and Dr. G.T. Putra, Director and State Nodal Officer (ATMA), KSDA were the Guests of Honour. Members of Board of Management of UAS-B and Dr. V.L. Madhuprasad, Director of Extension were present. As a part of the DAESI Sammelana, an exhibition was organized and the Souvenir 'DAESI DWANI' was released by the dignitaries. Over 2500 input dealers participated in the programme. On the same day, Hon'ble Chief Minister inaugurated the Institute of Baking Technology and Value Addition building at ATIC premises of GKVK and also the Exhibition-cum-sales of Novel Bakery Products.



Hon'ble Chief Minister inaugurating the Sammelana

Workshop on Ragi Production Systems

AICRP ON SMALL MILLETS, PC Unit, UAS-B in collaboration with WASSAN, Hyderabad; Revitalizing Rainfed Agriculture Network and Sahaja Samrudha, GKVK, Bengaluru organized a Brainstorming workshop on 'Sustainable Intensification of Ragi Production Systems in Karnataka' on 13th October, 2023. In his inaugural address, Dr. S.V. Suresha, Vice-Chancellor recollected the contributions of UAS, Bangalore in developing Ragi varieties and notable improved cultivation practices. He said that the workshop aims to understand the farmers' practices on sustainable intensification of Ragi production systems, Ragi research work in Agricultural Universities and also to work out the policies, programmes and investments in production system. Shri A. Ravindra, Director, WASSAN, Hyderabad expressed the need of innovative practices to sustain production owing to climate vagaries. Shri G. Krishnaprasad, Director, Sahaja Samrudha;

Dr. Venkatesh, Director of Research, UAS-B; Dr. N.B. Prakash, Dean, CoA, GKVK; Dr. M.S. Uma, Associate Director of Research (HQ) and Dr. N. Devakumar, Former Registrar and Director of Extension, UAS-B graced the inaugural session. Dr. S. Rajendra Prasad, Dr. K.N. Ganeshiah, Dr. T.N. Prakash Kammardi, Dr. M.V. Channabyre Gowda, Dr. K. Madhusudhan, Dr. T.E. Nagaraja, Dr. Mudalagiriappa and other eminent scientists participated in the discussions. Dr. T.S. Sukanya, Professor (Agronomy), PC Unit, AICRP on Small Millets and Dr. M.R. Anand, Associate Professor, AICRP on ARID Legumes, UAS, Bangalore coordinated the workshop.



Vice-Chancellor releasing the folder during the workshop

58th Foundation Day of UAS, Bangalore

UNIVERSITY OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES, BANGALORE celebrated its 58th Foundation Day on 5th October 2023 to honor the past, celebrate the present and look forward to the future. Dr. C.L. Laxmipathi Gowda, Former Dy. Director General, ICRISAT, Hyderabad and Co-Founder, GRSV Consulting Services, Mysuru was the chief guest. He opined that each Farm University must concentrate on a single crop research and share it across so that cost spent on research would be minimized. He said education policy must move to lesser content and must



Dignitaries inaugurating the programme

build individual characters to prepare them for gainful employment. Dr. K.C. Narayanaswamy, Director of Education presented the salient achievements and the progress of activities during the last year. Dr. S.V. Suresha, Vice-Chancellor of UAS-B delivered the presidential address and said that the efforts are in vogue to improve the public-private partnership in the field of research, teaching and extension. He mentioned that importance is given for improving basic infrastructure facilities and student exchange programmes overseas. On the occasion, 'Dr. Kalaiah Krishna Murthy National Award' was conferred to Dr. Mudalagiriappa, Chief Scientist, AICRP on Dryland Agriculture. Dr. C.A. Deepak, Jr. Rice Breeder, AICRP on Rice, Mandya was presented with 'Nagamma Dattatreya Rao Desai Award'. Best ICAR Teacher Award was bestowed to Dr. K.N. Srinivasappa, Professor of Horticulture, CoA, GKVK. M/S Zuari Agro-Industries Limited 'Best Extension Worker Award' was bestowed to Dr. K. Shivaramu, Sr. Information Specialist and Coordinator, STU, GKVK. Best Kannada Book Award was presented to Shri Krishnamurthy Biligere for his book 'Mannu Kathana'. Smt. N. Manasa, Technical Officer; Shri M.T. Ramesh Kumar, Superintendent; Shri L. Manjunath, Sr. Field Assistant; Shri Y. Munikrishna, Attender; C. Mahadeva, Sr. Farm Labourer; Smt. Shashi, Day wage labour were presented with Best Service Personnel Awards. Best outgoing UG students Awards were given to Ms. Poorvika R Gowda of CoA, Hassan and Mr. M.R. Chidananda Gowda of CoA, Chamarajanagara. Dr. T.K. Prabhakara Setty, Dr. H.L. Harish, Shri B.S. Ullas, Shri N. Dinesh, Dr. M. Chandregowda and Dr. Basave Gowda, Members of BoM of UAS-B were present.

Memorandums of Understanding

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING was signed with Gene2Go Pvt. Ltd., Chennai (Sub Branch: C-CAMP, NCBS, GKVK) on 9th October, 2023 for collaborative research work for PG students and academic programmes. Dr. Basave Gowda, Registrar signed the MoU in the august presence of Dr. S.V. Suresha, Vice-Chancellor and Dr. K.C. Narayanaswamy, Director of Education.



MOU with Gene2Go Private Limited

CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE on Watershed Management, UAS, Bangalore signed an MoU with Foundation for Ecological Security, Anand, Gujarat on 30th October, 2023 to collaborate on tools and technology for effective and scientific watershed planning process, designing and advancing the scientific based approaches in the watershed development and management along with facilitating for acquisition and adoption of advanced technical skills by the stakeholders of the watershed management to ensure agricultural resilience.

FOOD PROCESSING UNIT, ZARS, V.C. Farm, Mandya and KAC Food Products, Mysore Company entered in to an agreement to use the processing unit for production of value added products for a period of three years by the KAC Food Products. Dr. K.C. Narayanaswamy, Director of education and Mrs. Prakruthi Manikantaswamy of KAC Food products signed the Memorandum of Understanding on 27th October, 2023

DoE's Visit to Nepal

DR. K.C. NARAYANASWAMY, Director of Education of UAS-B visited Agriculture & Forestry University, Nepal from 15-19 October, 2023 to study the existing pattern of 'Examination and



Director of Education with the team of AFU, Nepal

Evaluation System in AFU' and to share the experiences of the same that is in vogue at UAS, Bangalore. He gave a detailed roadmap regarding reforms to be brought about in the examination and evaluation system at AFU, Nepal.

Vigilance Awareness Week

TO BRING TRANSPARENCY and accountability in governance, the Vigilance Awareness Week (30th October to 5th November, 2023) as one of the tools in increasing public awareness about the perils of corruption was organized by the College of Agriculture, GKVK on 30th October, 2023. The Officers and the



Officers taking the pledge

faculty took the pledge to uphold the theme 'Say no to corruption; commit to the Nation'. Dr. K.C. Narayanaswamy, Director of Education; Dr. N.B. Prakash, Dean (Agri.), CoA, GKVK; Dr. H.C. Prakasha, Dean (PGS); Smt. M.S. Prathibha, Administrative Officer and Shri D. Krishnamurthy, Estate Officer took part in the event. The event was organized at all the constituent colleges of the University also.

Rashtriya Ekta Diwas

RASHTRIYA EKTA DIWAS was organized at GKVK on 31st October, 2023 to commemorate the birthday of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. Dr. S.V. Suresha, Vice-Chancellor of UAS-B and Dr. N.B. Prakash, Dean (Agri.) CoA, GKVK participated in the programme. The house along with the UG students of College of Agriculture took the pledge to preserve the unity, integrity and security of the Nation and also to strive hard to spread the message among other fellow countrymen. Vice-Chancellor mentioned that the pledge is taken in the spirit of unification of the country which was made possible by the vision and actions of Shri Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. Rashtriya Ekta Diwas was also organized at CoA, Hassan, Mandya, Chamarajanagara and College of Sericulture, Chintamani.

Field Day on ICH 5 Castor Hybrid

AICRP ON CASTOR, ZARS, GKVK, Bengaluru in collaboration with ICAR-IIOR, Hyderabad and ICAR-KVK, Gadag organized a field day on ICH 5 Castor hybrid in Shri Balakrishna H. Arer's field at Mundargi, Gadag district on 17th October, 2023 with the objective of promoting castor cultivation in the region. The event was inaugurated by Dr. C. Lavanya, Principal Scientist, ICAR-IIOR, Hyderabad. Dr. Yamanura, Scheme Head of AICRP, Castor of UAS-B highlighted the importance of Front Line Demonstrations conducted on ICH 5 Castor hybrid and the Scheduled Castes Sub-Plan programme aimed at popularizing castor hybrids. Dr. R. Mohan Kumar, Agronomist; Dr. Satish Kumar, Principal Scientist, ICAR-IIOR, Hyderabad; Dr. Sudha Mankani, Sr. Scientist and Head of ICAR-KVK, Gadag participated as resource persons.

World Food Day - 2023

WORLD FOOD DAY-2023 was organized at the KVKs, AICRPs and Research Stations of the University focusing on the theme, 'Water is Life, Water is Food, Leave No One Behind' highlighting the critical role of water for life on earth and water as the foundation of food. All India Coordinated Research Project on Women in Agriculture (AICRP-WIA) organized the World Food Day and training on Skill development on 16th October, 2023 at Bodaguru of Shidlaghatta taluk, Chikkaballapura district



World Food Day at EEU, Mysuru

coordinated by Dr. Usha Ravindra, Senior Scientist and Head, AICRP-WIA. **EXTENSION EDUCATION UNIT, Organic Farming Research Station, Naganahalli, Mysuru** in colla-

boration with ICAR-KVK, Mysuru, Institute of Agriculture Technologists (IAT)- Mysore Chapter and Akashavani, Mysuru organized the World Food Day on 16th October, 2023 at Organic Farming Research Station, Naganahalli, Mysuru.

Workshop and Millets Mela

ICAR-KRISHI VIGYAN KENDRA, V.C. Farm, Mandya in collaboration with AICRP on Millets, GKVK, Bengaluru organized a one-day workshop on 'Millets as Climate Resilient Crop for Sustainability' and Mela on 31st October, 2023 in commemoration of the International Year of Millets-2023. Dr. N.T. Naresh, Senior Scientist and Head of KVK, Mandya emphasized the beneficial effects of consumption of millets and urged the farmers to adopt millet based cropping systems. Dr. S.S. Prakash, Dean (Agri.), College of Agriculture, V.C. Farm,



Felicitation to progressive farmer

Mandya presided over the programme and appealed the farmers to maintain soil health to reap rich harvest. Dr. N. Shivakumar, Assoc. Director of

Research, ZARS, Mandya and Dr. D. Raghupathi, Associate Director of Extension, Mandya were the Chief Guest. Dr. T.S. Sukanya, Professor, AICRP on Millets, GKVK; Dr. R. Nandhini, Scheme Head, AICRP on Ragi & Small Millets and other Scientists participated as resource persons. On the occasion, Shri Krishna, millets growing progressive farmer was felicitated. Various millets and value added products were exhibited during the programme.

Swachhata Hi Seva 3.0 - A Special Campaign

ICAR-KVK, RAMANAGARA organized the Special Campaign 3.0 on Swachhata. The initiative commenced with a preparatory phase on 15th September, 2023, aimed at identifying specific targets to be taken up for cleaning for the main phase of the campaign, which was conducted from 02-31 October, 2023. The primary focus of the campaign was to enhance space management in offices and create awareness among the masses about Swachhata. Since the beginning of the preparatory phase of the Special campaign, KVK, Ramanagara had identified various cleanliness sites across the Ramanagara district and emphasized the importance of Swachhata, Cleanliness drive, disposal of scrap and weeding out of files and other related activities like Swachhata pledge, awareness about ill effects of Parthenium & its uprooting, sanitizing & cleaning of dairy unit, cleaning of storeroom & godown and creating awareness about Swachhata at government higher primary schools & in Villages for farmers & farm women.

Millets for Sustainable Life

ICAR-KVK, TUMKURU-1 in collaboration with Karnataka Biodiversity Board, Forest Department and Department of Women and Child Welfare, Tipaturu organized a capacity building programme on 'Millets for Sustainable Life' on 4th October, 2023 at



Chief guests performing Rasi Pooja

KVK premises. Inaugurating the programme, Dr. M.J. Chandre Gowda, Principal Scientist, A T A R I , Bengaluru articulated the importance of millets and said that millets are like nutritional powerhouse with high levels of protein, fiber, minerals, iron and calcium that makes them a vital resource in addressing nutritional challenges. Shri Jagath Ram, PCCF & Member Secretary, Karnataka Biodiversity Board; farmers and Scientists of KVK participated in the programme. Dr. V. Govinda Gowda, Sr. Scientist & Head highlighted about millets cultivation practices. Scientists of KVK and over 250 farmers participated in the capacity building programme.

EDITORIAL COMMITTEE

Chief Editor : **Dr. K.C. Narayanaswamy**
Director of Education

Editor : **Dr. K.H. Nagaraj**
Professor of Agricultural Extension

Assoc. Editor : **Dr. Roopa B. Patil**
Assistant Professor of Home Science

Documentation of Field Problems by DDT

THE DISTRICT DIAGNOSTIC TEAM (DDT) of Zone-6 consisting of multidisciplinary Scientists, visited K.R. Nagara and Hunsur taluks of Mysore district on 26th October, 2023 to document current field problems. The team visited affected Paddy, Field Bean and Ginger fields. The major pests diagnosed in paddy were Leaf roller (*Cnaphalocrocis medinalis*) Case worm (*Parapoynx stagnalis*), Stem borer (*Scirpophaga incertulas*), Bacterial leaf blight and sheath blight (*Rhizoctonia solani*). Avare was affected with Thrips (*Ayyaria chaetophora*), Aphids (*Aphis craccivora*) and Rhizome soft rot (*Pythium aphanidermatum*) in Ginger. Advisory services were provided on the spot. The team was led by Dr. D. Raghupathi, Assoc. Director of Extension, accompanied by Dr. Sanath Kumar, Dr. G.R. Dinesh, Dr. M. Venkatesha and Dr. Veeranna, ADA (KSDA). The report would be submitted to the concerned departments for needful action.

Other Significant Activities

- DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION, College of Agriculture, GKVK organized RAWE Orientation programme on 11th October, 2023 wherein Dr. S.V. Suresha, Vice-Chancellor addressed the RAWE students and Faculty
- Extension Education Unit, Naganahalli, Mysuru organized Animal Health Camp on 11th October, 2023 in collaboration with Veterinary Hospital, Department of AH & VS at Cholanahalli of Hunsur taluk
- UAS-B jointly with Dept. of Youth Empowerment and Sports, State NSS Cell, Bengaluru organized NSS State Level Pre-Republic Day Parade Selection Camp from 11-13 Oct., 2023
- ORIENTATION PROGRAMME to third year Under Graduate students on how to prepare for JRF, UPSC, CAT, MAT, GRE, TOFEL, etc., was organized on 19th October, 2023 by CoA, GKVK in collaboration with Triumphant Institute of Management Education (T.I.M.E), Bengaluru
- THE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, GKVK & IQAC jointly organized the Faculty Development Programme on NAAC-SSR on 19th & 20th October, 2023
- ORIENTATION AND REGISTRATION programme for the first year UG students admitted during 2023-24 was organized by CoA, GKVK and all the other constituent colleges of UAS, Bangalore on 30th & 31st October, 2023

To,

Book-Post

If undelivered please return to :

The Editor, Communication Centre, UAS, GKVK, Bengaluru-560 065