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Message



From the Vice-Chancellor Desk

Welcome to the e-newsletter of Dr. Rajendra Prasad Central Agricultural University.

The month of October is auspicious because it has the prerogative of celebrating birth anniversary of three great leaders of India, who shaped the futures of its citizens. The contribution of Mahatma Gandhi, Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri and Sardar Ballabh Bhai Patel is indelible in the history of India. Sardar Patel, the Iron Man of India was the reckoning force behind successful integration of Independent India. The University celebrated the birth anniversary of 'Unifier of India' on 31st October by organizing 'Run for Unity' and paid tributes to the great leader Mahatma Gandhi and Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri on 2nd October.

It is my privilege to inform you that Hon'ble President of India and Visitor of the University Shri Ramnath Kovind ji has kindly consented to deliver the convocation address on 15th November 2018. I am also happy to inform you that since past two years the academic and infrastructural development has been widely acclaimed. To add glory to this continuous academic growth we are in the process of recruiting brilliant teachers. First lot of teachers have joined in the University and in near future more teachers shall be joining. The University is committed for inclusive and holistic growth of academics, research and extension.

You will find some of the news in brief related with these events in the newsletter. I hope you will enjoy reading.

Happy Reading!!!

R. C. Srivastava

VICE-CHANCELLOR'S ENGAGEMENT

Honourable President of India and Visitor of Dr. Rajendra Prasad Central Agricultural University, Shri Ramnath Kovind ji, has kindly consented to address the first convocation scheduled to be held on Thursday, the 15th November 2018 at 11.00 AM. Honourable Governor of Bihar, Shri Lal Ji Tandon, Honourable Chief Minister of Bihar, Shri Nitish Kumar ji and Honourable Minister for Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Shri Radha Mohan Singh ji has consented to be the Guests of Honour.

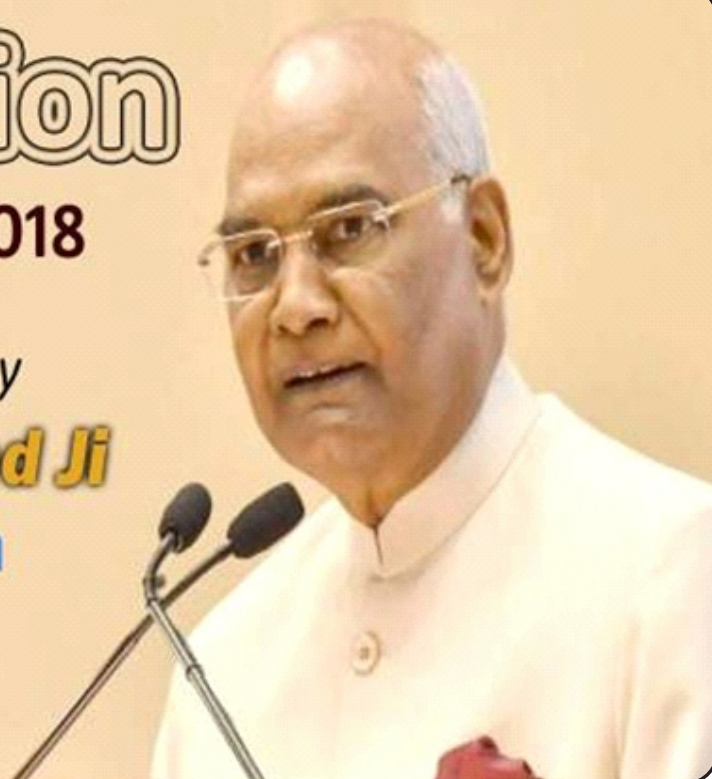
Convocation

15th November 2018

Convocation Address by

Sri Ram Nath Kovind Ji

President of India



Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Dr. R. C. Srivastava inaugurated the newly constructed Girls Hostel at TCA, Dholi on 1st October, 2018. On this occasion, Dr. Devendra Singh, Dean, TCA, Dholi, Warden, Hostel Superintendents of Girls Hostel, Teachers, Staff and Students were also present.



NEWS FROM COLLEGES AND UNITS

An Orientation Programme for newly admitted B.Sc. (Hons.) Ag. and B.Sc. (Hons.) Hort. Session 2018-19 of TCA, Dholi and Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyay College of Horticulture & Forestry, Piprakothi was organised at 3:00 PM on 03.10.2018 at common room, TCA, Dholi. Dr. M. Kumar, Dean, TCA, Dr. L. M. Yadav, Dean, PDDU College of Horticulture & Forestry, Piprakothi, Dr. P. P. Singh, Director Seed & Farms, Dr. L. N. Singh, OIC Students Cell, Warden, Hostel Superintendent and Teachers graced the occasion. They informed the students about college, semester system, examination pattern, library, games & sport, NSS & NCC and cultural and dramatic society.



Study tour program under 'Integrated Farming System', for the course of 7th Semester students of B.Sc. (Ag.) programme was organised at Baba Fish Farm, Mutlupur, Muzaffarpur. It is one of the largest fisheries based integrated farm which is spread in more than 85 acres of Chaur land. Dr. D. K. Diwedi and Dr. Sunil Kumar accompanied the students and explained about integrated farm system.



Agriculture Premier League-2018 cricket match was organised from 27.10.2018 to 31.10.2018 for the students of TCA, Dholi. Tournament was inaugurated by Dean, TCA, Dholi. Team **Royals XI** won the tournament and Kumar Prince was declared as man of the series.



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Monthly meeting of TCA, Dholi regarding review of teaching, research and extension activities was organised under the chairmanship of Dean, TCA, Dholi on 29.10.2018 at Regional Building. Various issues related to college development were discussed in depth during the meeting.



Run for Unity was organised on 31st Oct. 2018 at 8:00 AM for celebrating the birth anniversary of the great leader Sardar Ballav Bhai Patel, the Iron Man of India. The 'run' started from Gandhi Park and moved forward via College Chowk, Dholi Bazar, regional building and returned back to college main building. Under the chairmanship of Dr. Devendra Singh, Dean, TCA, Dholi, all the students, staffs and teachers actively participated in the run.



Dr. S. P. Singh, Senior Scientist, Horticulture and Dr. A. K. Mishra, Scientist, Plant Pathology, TCA, Dholi attended XXIX AICRP on spices workshop from 3rd Oct. to 06th Oct. 2018 at Dr. Y. S. Parmar University of Horticulture and Forestry, Nauni, Solan (HP). In this workshop, one coriander entry, RD-417 was identified and recommended for release from CVRC. In addition, one technology "**Soil application of PSB @15 kg ha⁻¹ + NPK@60:40: 30 kg ha⁻¹ for getting higher yield (23.90 q ha⁻¹) of coriander with cost benefit ratio: 1:2.20**" was also recommended.



NEW RECRUITMENT

Miss Jaya Sinha has joined on 17th Sept. 2018 as Assistant Professor (Farm Power and Machinery). She has completed her Under Graduation in Agricultural Engineering from UAS, Bangalore. She has completed her M. Tech. in Farm Power and Machinery from IARI-New Delhi. She had Secured 2nd rank in ICAR-JRF 2012. She was awardees of ICAR-NTS and JRF Scholarship. She has nine published research paper in NAAS rated journal. Her interest area of research is on Ergonomics (Farm Power and Machinery).



Miss Roshni Agnihotri has joined on 23rd Oct. 2018 as Asstt. Professor (Horticulture). She has completed her B.Sc. (Ag.) from SHIATS, Allahabad and M.Sc. in Floriculture and Landscape Architecture (**Gold medallist**) from NAU, Gujarat. Her research on morphological and molecular characterization of tropical turfgrasses is first of its kind in India. She has received Best Oral Presentation Award of ISOH, for three consecutive years (2016 -18). She is credited with designing the course curriculum of First Certificate Course of India in Turfgrass Management (NAU, Gujarat). Her research findings have been published in journals of national (IJAS) and International (NASL-Springer) journal. She has interest in Ornamental Plant Breeding, Dry Flower and Post Harvest Management of Ornamentals and Commercial Flower Production.



Dr. K. Prasad has joined as Asst. Professor (Horticulture) on 27.10.2018. He has completed his M.Sc. and Ph. D in Post-harvest Technology (Horticultural Crops) from ICAR-IARI, New Delhi. He was the first Indian researcher to carry out studies on lenticel browning incidence of mango cultivars. His scientific notes have been published in national (ICAR-Indian Horticulture, ICAR-News) and international (Springer and Elsevier) publications.



NEWS FROM KVK'S

KVK Saraiya organized training program at aspirational village Bhagwatpur and Dwarikapur on Mushroom cultivation, Beekeeping, Vermi-composting, Kitchen gardening and Fish farming on 11th October 2018. 80 farmers and farm women participated in the program. During this program waste decomposer was also distributed among the participants.



KVK Saraiya organized Kisan Ghosthi at aspirational village Bhagwatpur and Manikpur Narottam of Muzaffarpur district on 16th October 2018. Chief Guest of the programme was Dr. B. K. Srivastava, Director, Directorate of oilseed, Hyderabad. Around 150 farmers and farm women participated in the program.

KVK, Begusarai conducted training on "Role of environment in occurrence of disease incidence and insect pest infestation" for input dealers under DAESI program on 27th October 2018. 36 dealers were present in this program.



One day training program on "Potato Cultivation" was organized by CPRI, Shimla at KVK Piprakothei on 28th October 2018. Hon'ble Union Minister of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Government of India, Shri Radha Mohan Singh ji inaugurated the program.

Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Piprakothei, attended one day workshop at Patna on "Enhancing climate services in Agriculture in Bihar" on 28th October 2018. The workshop was organized by IMD, New Delhi.



Krishi Vigyan Kendra Birauli, Samastipur conducted one day off campus training on "Broiler farming" at Kussayari village of Samastipur District on 29th October 2018. More than 20 farmers participated in the program.

Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Begusarai organized 'Soil Health card distribution and soil testing awareness program' at Vikrampur village of Cheria Bariarpur Block on 30th October 2018. Scientists explained farmers about the importance of soil testing.



Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Saraiya participated in Block level Rabi Mahotsav at Paroo block of Muzaffarpur district on 30th October 2018. More than 100 farmers participated in the program.

Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Saraiya conducted one day Training Program on "Micro Irrigation System" on 27th October 2018. The scientists explained the farmers about the system in local language.



Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Saran conducted six day training on "Mushroom Cultivation" at Sheetalpur block on 30th October 2018. Twenty farmers participated in the program.

Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Manjhi Conducted two days training program on 'Making of Pantoa and Burger' under skill development in Saran from 31st Oct to 1st Nov, 2018. More than thirty farmers participated in the program.



Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Saraiya participated in Block level Rabi workshop at Katra Block of Muzaffarpur district on 31st October 2018. More than 50 farmers attended the program.