

8th Research Council, Kharif, 2020 Dr Rajendra Prasad Central Agricultural University

Pusa, Samastipur, Bihar

The inaugural session of the 8^{th} Research Council Meeting, Kharif – 2020 was organised by the University on the 11^{th} June, 2020. Aiming at the social distancing guidelines of the Govt. of India, the meeting was organised at the Saraswati Plaza Garden during the evening hours from 6.30 PM to 9.30 PM.

On the outset, felicitation of dignitaries and lamp lightening was done. The welcome address was delivered by Dr. Mithilesh Kumar, Director of Research. The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor released books/ bulletins, followed by his chairman address. Vice chancellor stressed upon the contingency plan and training programmes for migrant labourers in different areas especially, Honey production, Mushroom cultivation and Vermicompost production etc. He appreciated the efforts of scientists for improving the condition of agriculture and mitigating the problem of farmers in this era of climate change. Dr Mithilesh Kumar presented the confirmation of proceedings of the 6th RCM of Kharif – 2019, the Action taken report of proceedings of 6th RCM of Kharif – 2019 and the proceedings of the Variety/ Technology pre-release committee meeting held on 07-03-2020. Variety release proposal for the pigeon pea variety Rajendra Arhar - 2 and finger millet variety Rajendra Madua – 1 were proposed by Dr S B Mishra and Dr Satish Kumar Singh, respectively and after through discussion the varieties were recommended for release. Two technology release proposals i.e. Paired row planting of Pigeon pea (45 cm) - 90cm + Urdbean in 2:2 row ratio and Ground Water Recharge cum Drainage Unit were presented by Dr I B Pandey Dr Ravish Chandra respectively .After discussion both the technologies were released . The programme was conducted by Dr NK Singh, Associate Director Research-I.

Three rice hybrids varieties release proposals of private seed companies were also presented by the representatives of different private companies, out of which two namely SUDHA (Delta Agrigenetics Pvt. Ltd.) and S4001(NK14722)(Syngenta India Ltd.) were recommended by RCM for release in Bihar by State Varietal Release Committee (SVRC). The concluding remark was presented by the chairman Hon'ble Vice Chancellor. Finally vote of thanks was given by Dr SK Singh, Associate Director Research-II.







