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From the Vice - Chancellor's Desk. . .



The fag end of the financial year is usually regarded as a period of hectic activities. It is only during this time we look back to what has been done. By realizing that much has not been done, everyone starts getting into the work under pressure, which should not happen as it results in the deterioration of the quality. The scientific work attended in hurry, the developmental works supervised in haste, purchases and expenditures made only to fulfill the objective of utilization of funds, are not going to help the progress of an organization. The teachers also tend to complete more than 50 per cent of the syllabus only at the fag end of the semester. A researcher starts looking at his title of the experiment and observations only when an annual technical meeting is called. An extension scientist tries to complete as many programmes as

possible in the fag end of the year. All these kinds of eleventh hour activities lead to create a very low level of impact. The systematic planning with defined calendar of activities should be the priority at the beginning the new financial year. Come colleagues and students, let all of us pledge to do some kind of work that really creates impact in overall development of the nation, the society, the farming community.

FIRST CONVOCATION

The First Convocation of the University was held on 27th December 2011 to confer the degrees to the students. It was organized at Kalabhavan, Navanagar, Bagalkot. The Hon'ble Minister of Horticulture and Sugar, and Pro-Chancellor of the University, Shri. S. A. Ravindranath conferred the degrees to the students. Dr. H. P. Singh Hon'ble Deputy Director General (Horticulture), Indian Council of Agricultural Research, New Delhi was the Chief Guest and delivered the "Convocation Address". The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, the members of Board of Management, the members of academic council were on the dais after taking a ceremonial procession.

All the Officers, teaching and non-teaching staff of the University, the Hon'ble Members of the Karnataka Legislative Assembly and Council, Member of the Parliament of Bagalkot district, the Officers from the District Administration and invited citizens of Bagalkot town participated in the



convocation. District Officers of the Development Departments, the Principals and Heads of the educational institutions had graced the occasion. **Miss Zeba Bakthiyar** B.Sc. (Hort) Student of College of Horticulture, Mudigere received **15 gold medals** for highest OGPA in the degree programme. **Mr. Mahesh Badiger** Student of College of Horticulture, Arabhavi, received **3 gold medals** for highest OGPA in B. Sc (Hort.) **Mr. Sachin Utagi** Student of College of Horticulture, Bidar received **2 gold medals** for highest OGPA in B. Sc (Hort.) Among the Masters Degree holders (M.Sc. Hort) **Miss Natasha Gurung** received **3 gold medals** for highest OGPA in Fruit Science, **Miss Yvonne Angel Lyngdoh** received **3 gold medals** for highest OGPA in Vegetable Science, **Miss Rekha Eda** received **2 gold medals** for highest OGPA in Post-Harvest Technology, **Miss Gummala Saraswathi** received **1 gold medal** for highest OGPA in Plantation, Spices, Medicinal and Aromatic Crops.



TRAININGS

Production Technology for Major Horticultural Crops

A Four days Interstate training programme was organized on "**Production Technology for Major Horticultural Crops**" under ATMA for the benefit of farmers of Kasaragod district Kerala state from 07.12.2011 to 10.12.2011 at the Directorate of Extension, University of Horticultural Sciences, Udyanagiri, Navanagar, Bagalkot. Dr. Y. K. Kotikal, Director of Extension and the Course Director, UHS, Bagalkot welcomed the guests and participants, and gave an introductory remarks, Dr. M. B. Madalageri, Director of Research, UHS, Bagalkot spoke on the importance of need based trainings to the farmers, Sri. B. M. Desai, President, Zilla Krishika Samaj, Bagalkot was the chief guest on the occasion. Dr. Vasant Ganiger, Head, HEU, COH, Bagalkot and other resource persons were present at the inaugural function of the training programme. The schedule of the training also included the exposure visits to the fields of progressive farmers and the gardens of the UHSB. About 45 farmers participated.



Vegetable cultivation



A State level seminar on **Vegetable cultivation** was organised by Dharmasthala Foundation at Halyal on 19.12.2012. Dr. S. I. Athani Spl. Officer, RHREC, inaugurated the programme. Dr. K. R. Naik, Head, HEU, Dharwad spoke on the critical aspects of vegetable production while Dr. Gopali Associate Professor delivered a lecture on the integrated pest management in vegetables.

Mass production of Trichoderma Bioagent and its usage

A training programme on "**Mass production of Trichoderma Bioagent and its usage in Disease management**" was organized by Department of Horticulture, Sirsi at Doddanahalli on 04.01.2012. Dr. M. S. Lokesh, Station Head, addressed farm women of Doddanahalli village, Sirsi on the occasion.



Kitchen Gardening



Empowering the house wives through "**Kitchen Gardening and Terrace Gardening**" was the theme of training in creating awareness among the urban and periurban women folk about the importance of growing of fruits, vegetables and flowers for our own consumption. The training was organized at Udyanagiri, University of Horticultural Sciences, Bagalkot on 18.01.2012, Dr. M. B. Madalgeri, Director of Research, inaugurated the programme by watering a flower plant. Dr. Y. K. Kotikal, Director of Extension gave introductory remark and spoke on the strength of women in performing agricultural activities. Dr. I. B. Biradar, Dr. Vasant Ganiger, Dr. G. Bhuvaneshwari were on the dais, who delivered the training to the participants. About 65 women of Shri Kenchamma Laxmi Mahila Mandal, Vidyagiri, Bagalkot participated in the training.

Savayava Krishi

One day training programme was held on *Savayava Krishi* (Organic Farming) at HRS, Devihosur on 06.01.2012 Dr. S. B. Dandin Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, inaugurated the training programme and also released the book on "Organic Farming". Dr. M. B. Madalgeri, Director of Research, Dr. Y. K. Kotikal, Director of Extension spoke on the relevance of organic farming in horticulture and exploring international market for increasing income level of the farmer.



"Good Agricultural Practices for Pomegranate"



A State level training programme was organized on **"Good Agricultural Practices for Pomegranate"** at College of Horticulture, Hiriyyur on 10.01.2012. The programme was inaugurated by Dr. S. V. Hittalmani, Additional Director of Horticulture, Dr. Y. K. Kotikal, Director of Extension released the Souvenir and training manual. Dr. P. Narayanaswamy, Dean, COH, Hiriyyur presided over the function. Dr. Suresh D. Ekabote conducted the programme. The senior scientists from IIHR, Bangalore and MPKV Rahuri, Maharashtra participated as resource persons in the training. The programme was jointly organized by the University of Horticultural Sciences, Institute of Agricultural Technologists, Chitradurga and Akshaya Food Park, Hiriyyur. More than 500 farmers from the state participated.

Cultivation of Oil Palm

A training programme on **"Oil palm development"** was organized by Department of Horticulture, Gangavati and Foods Fats and Fertilizers Ltd. on 30.12.2011 at the fields of Shri Pampapati Janadri, Mallapur village, Gangavati Tq, Koppal Dist. The programme was inaugurated by President, Zilla Panchayat, Koppal. Mr. Vasantappa HB, SADH, Gangavati presided over the function, Dr. Sanjeevraddi G. Reddi, Head, AICRP on Oil palm, ARS Campus, Gangavati, addressed the gathering and delivered the lecture on Oil palm scenario in world, India & Karnataka. He also dealt on the Cultivation practices of Oil palm. Dr. Shivayogi Ryavalad, Assistant Professor (Seed Technology), COH, Munirabad, Koppal, delivered the lecture on "Banana cultivation practices and Integrated Farming Systems". Mr. Appanna Dadanatti, Manager, FFF Ltd. Gangavati proposed vote of thanks. Around 200 farmers of different villages of Gangavati taluk participated in the programme.



Workshop on Rubber Cultivation



Workshop on Rubber cultivation was organized at HRS, Thirthahalli in collaboration with Malenadu Rubber Society, Thirthahalli on 05.01.2012 Shri Kimmene Ratnakar, MLA inaugurated the programme. Shri. Araga Gyanendra, President, MPM, Bhadravati and Dr. B. R. Gurumurthy, Professor were the chief guests of the programme. Dr. C. Chandrashekar, Senior Scientist and Dr. S. Balakrishna, Assistant Development Officer were resource persons who delivered lectures on different varieties of the rubber and management of the Rubber field. About 110 rubber cultivating farmers participated in the programme

ATMA Sponsored training programme

The training programmes on **"Irrigation management"** and **"Commercialization and value addition in Agriculture and Horticulture Crops"** were conducted at the Directorate of Extension, University of Horticultural Sciences, Bagalkot from 26th-28th and 29th -31st December, 2011 respectively. The officers from development departments viz. Agriculture, Horticulture, Sericulture and watershed participated.



Seminar on "Santa - Sharanar Nadige Krishiya Kadege"

The programme was held on 04.01.2012 at Kudala Sangama. The chairman of Krishi Mission, Dr. S. A. Patil, Hon'ble Vice Chancellors of the Farm Universities Dr. S. B. Dandin, Dr. B. V. Patil, and Dr. R. R. Hanchinal spoke on different issues of present day agriculture. The seers from Vijaya Mahanatesh math, Ilkal, Pandanasali, Jagadguru, Kudalsangam, Adrush Kadasiddeshwar Math, Kannneri, Nandiverimath, Doni, Gadag graced the occasion by putting forth their thought provoking ideas. The progressive farmers, the real think tank of the farming community, participated in the discussion and expressed their free and frank opinion about the steps to be taken by the *mathas* and farmers to keep the traditional profession alive and make it attractive to younger generation.



Visits



On 17.12.2011 Shri Veeranna Mattikatti, Hon'ble Member, Board of Management, UHS, Bagalkot visited the College of Horticulture, Munirabad and discussed regarding the establishment of college, with the staff members.



On 27-12-2011 Dr. H. P. Singh, Deputy Director General (Horticulture), ICAR, New Delhi visited the RHREC, Kumbapur. He was accompanied by Hon'ble VC-Dr. S. B. Dandin and Dr. M. B. Madalgeri Director of

Research, UHSB. Dr. S. I. Athani, Special Officer, Dr. K. R. Naik, HEU Head, Dharwad and other staff members were present.



On 20.12.2011 Dr. R.C. Hallikeri, Hon'ble Member, Board of Management, UHS, Bagalkot visited the College of Horticulture, Mysore and reviewed the activities of the college. He addressed the staff and students after visiting the Horticulture Farm at Yalachenahalli.



Dr. S. B. Dandin, Honble Vice Chancellor visited Horticulture Research Station, Sirsi on 06. 01. 12 and reviewed the progress of the activities with respect to research and extension. Dr. B. S. Jana

goudar, Dean, COH, Sirsi accompanied the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor.



On 26.12.2011 Smt. Vandita Sharma, Principal Secretary-Horticulture, GOK made a visit to the RHREC, Kumbapur and discussed about the activities carried out with respect to Plant multiplication techniques.

The NHM-HRD sponsored projects on training of Gardeners and input dealers was also reviewed by the Principal Secretary.

Exhibitions



An exhibition stall was arranged by the college of Horticulture Sirsi at the Kadambotsava of Banavasi held from 24.12.2011 to 25.12.2011.

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