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From the Vice - Chancellor's Desk . .



The saga of my journey at University of Horticultural Sciences, Bagalkot flagged with Republic Day flag hoisting for the first time on 26th January 2009 and continued to serve as Special Officer for One and half year and further becoming regular First Vice Chancellor of this new Horticulture University for more than 3 years 9 months with the proud feelings of making satisfactory achievements in Teaching, Research and Extension and also in creating all the infrastructure both at main campus and also at all the campuses. I have pleasure to hoist the Republic Day flag for the 6th time at UHS with pride and contentment on 26th January, 2014.

Looking to the self study report and the progress achieved by the University, the ICAR Accreditation Team visited our University and appreciated the progress made in a short period of time. The University also organized its 3rd Convocation on 23rd Dec. 2013 and also conducted its 5th Inter Collegiate Athletic Sports and Games Meet at College of Horticulture, Bagalkot during the period from 17.01.2014 to 20.01.2014. On this occasion of publishing this 5th issue of Newsletter, I congratulate all the teaching and non-teaching staff of our University for joining hands with me in building this New Horticulture University in Karnataka since its inception from 22nd Nov. 2008.

EDUCATION

13th Academic Council Meeting

The 13th Academic Council Meeting of University of Horticultural Sciences, Bagalkot was held on 23rd December, 2013 at Conference Hall, UHS, Bagalkot and chaired by the Hon'ble Vice - Chancellor. Different policy issues related to Education, Research and Extension were discussed. Further, the council recommended the names of eligible candidates for the conferment of degrees to the Board of Management for its approval.

3rd Convocation at Main Campus



The 3rd Convocation, the graduation ceremony to award degrees and post graduate degrees to students was held fruitfully on 23.12.2013 at Udyanagiri campus, University of Horticultural Sciences, Bagalkot. Dr. S. B. Dandin, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, welcomed Dr. Shamanur Shivashankarappa, Pro-Chancellor and the Hon'ble Minister for Horticulture and Agriculture Marketing, Government of Karnataka, Dr. S. L. Mehta, Chief Guest and Former Vice-Chancellor, Maharana Pratap University of Agriculture and Technology, Udaipur, Former National Director, NATP and Former Deputy Director General (Education), ICAR, New Delhi, Esteemed Members of the BOM, Members of the Academic Council, graduating candidates and invitees.



Dr. Shamanur Shivashankarappa as a Pro-Chancellor conferred Ph.D., M.Sc. (Hort.) and B.Sc. (Hort.) degrees to students with gold medals and certificates to the eligible candidates and congratulated all the degree recipients on this great occasion. Chief Guest, Dr. S. L. Mehta, congratulated all degree recipients for their hard work they put in to earn their degrees and the distinction. Further, he said that "specialization provides an unique opportunity towards improving the production and productivity of horticulture crops and also ensure economic empowerment of the farming community".



ICAR Accreditation Team Visit

The members of accreditation team was comprised of Dr. D. P. Ray, Former VC, OUAT, Bhubaneshwar and Chairman Horticulture Sub Group 12th Five Year Plan, Planning Commission, GOI, Dr. Pradeep Kumar Sharma, DDG (EQR), ICAR, Dr. K. P. Tripathi, Principal Scientist, ADG (EQR), ICAR, Dr. N. C. Gautam, Vice-Chancellor, Mahatma Gandhi Chitrakoot Gramodaya Vishwavidyalaya, Chitrakoot, Madya Pradesh, Former Dean, COH&F & VC, NDUAT, Kumaraganj, Faizabad and Dr. S. I. Hanamashetty, Former Dean, KRCCH, Arabhavi.



The team visited UHS Bagalkot on 27. 01.2014. The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor welcomed the guests and Registrar presented the self study report of University while Dean COH, Bagalkot presented self study report of Bagalkot College. The team visited Sector 70 and had interactions with both the teachers and students. They visited various Dept. laboratories to have the first hand information about the facilities created at the main campus.

PRT, ICAR, New Delhi visited the College of Horticulture, Bidar on 28th January, 2014 and assessed the self study report and evaluated as per the schedule given by the ICAR, New Delhi and the team Comprising of Dr. N. C. Gautam, Dr. S.I. Hanamashetti, visited COH, Bidar. For this visit, Dr. B. Raju, Director of Education, Dr. M.B Madalageri, Registrar UHS, Bagalkot were Present on behalf of UHS for facilitating the visiting team. Another team comprising of Dr. D. R. Ray and Dr. P. K. Sharma along with Dr. Y. K. Kotikal, DSW visited KRCCH, Arabhavi on 28.01.2014.





Team comprising of Dr. P. K. Sharma Dr. Tripathi, Assistant Director General (Horticulture-Fruits) and Dr. Y.K. Kotikal, DSW as facilitator visited HRS, Hogalagere and COH, Kolar on 29.01. 2013 along with Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Director of Education and Registrar. The team visited college, laboratories and hostels and had interaction with staff and students. The self study report was presented by the Dean, COH, Kolar. Further, ICAR Peer Review Team also visited COH, Bengaluru campus on 29th January, 2014 and had interactions with staff and students and team had final meeting among members at Bangalore to complete the draft report.

Republic Day Celebration at UHS, Bagalkot



Committee Meet for Model College of Horticulture

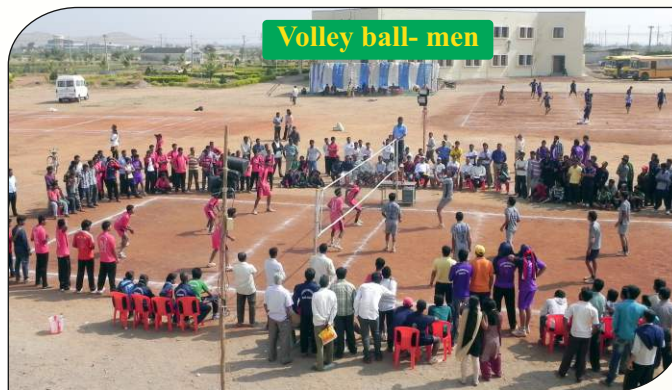


ICAR has constituted a Committee to finalize the minimum requirement of Model College of Horticulture in the country under the Chairmanship of Dr. S.B. Dandin, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, UHS, Bagalkot, other members of the Committee was comprised of Dr. A. K. Singh, Head, Division of Fruits and Horticultural Technology, IARI, New Delhi, Dr. Ranvir Singh, Former Dean (Agri), GBPUA&T, Pantnagar, Dr. J. P. Sharma, Dean, College of Horticulture, Dr. Y.S. Parmar University of Horticulture and Forestry, Nauni, Solan, Himachal Pradesh and Dr. P.K. Sharma, ADG (EQR) as Member Secretary. The

Committee met at University of Horticultural Sciences, Bagalkot on 30th and 31st January, 2014 and prepared final draft of minimum requirement of Model College of Horticulture. The officers of our University were also invited for providing inputs.

STUDENTS' ACTIVITIES

5th Inter Collegiate Athletics Sports & Games Meet 2013-14 held at COH, Bagalkot



NSS Programmes at Various Campuses



151st Birth Anniversary of Swamy Vivekanand By NSS Unit of KRCCH, Arabhavi



Annual NSS Programme from 5.01.2014 to 11.01.2014 at Nandagaon Village by KRCCH, Arabhavi



NSS, Special Camp at COH, Sirsi



RHWE Activities by Students of COH, Sirsi

EXTENSION

Training Programmes



COH, Bengaluru

College of Horticulture, Bengaluru organized two days orientation programme on Fertilizers for Post-Graduate Students in Collaboration with Fertilizer Association of India, Chennai, from 24.1.2014 to 25.1.2014.

Improved production technology of Cashew

HRS, Hegalagere



On-Campus Training Program on Improved Production Technology of Cashew on 25th January 2014 was jointly organized at HRS Hogalagere along with District Agriculture Training Centre (KSDA), Kagathi. Forty farmers from Paathapaalya village, Bagepalli Taluk of Chikkaballapur District participated in the program.

Good Agriculture Management Practices in Grape



On campus training programme was organized to officials of Department of Horticulture, Bijapur district on “Good Agriculture Management Practices in Grape” and Method Demonstration of “Bordeaux Mixture Preparation” by HEEU, Bijapur (Tidagundi) at HRS, Bijapur (Tidagundi) on 04.12.2013. Dr. H B Patil, Campus Head, delivered lecture on improved cultivation aspects in grape, Dr. A M Nadaf, Asst. Prof. of

Entomolgy delivered lecture on advances in IPM in grape and Raghavendra Achari, Asst. Prof. of Plant Pathology and Extension Leader delivered lecture on Advances in Integrated Disease Management in Grape and demonstrated Bordeaux Mixture Preparation. Around 25 department officials participated in the programme.

Good Agriculture Management Practices in Grape



Similar training programme was conducted to the beneficiaries of Comprahensive Horticulture Development Programme from Managuli village of Basavana Bagewadi Taluka, Bijapur district on 31.01.2014. Around 60 farmers participated in the programme.

Training programme cum Distribution of Inputs under IFS Phase-II at COH, Mysore



One Day Training Programme on “Importance of Integrated Farming System” and “Improved Cultivation Practices of Tomato” was organized at COH, Mysore to the IFS beneficiaries (36 Nos.) from Doddakatur village on 13.12.2013.

Training Programme on Importance of Nutrients and Soil Testing



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Another training programme on “Importance of Soil Nutrients and Soil Testing” was conducted on 29.01.2014 to the group of 34 farmers from the same village. IFS Co-PIs Dr.Venkat Rao and Dr.K.P.Mangala organized the programme and Dr.K.M.Indiresh, Dean addressed the farmers regarding importance of IFS.

Hands on Training for the Disabled Students at COH, Mysore



A lecture and a practical class was arranged in Nursery Raising for the students of Ranga Rao Memorial School for Disabled (visually impaired girls) by COH, Mysore. Dr. Meenakshi Sood, Asst. Professor of Vegetable Science and Dr.Venkat Rao, Asst. Professor of Fruit Science introduced the concept of portraits to them and gave them the hands on training on 28th January 2014.

Training Programme on Protective Cultivation of Vegetables and Flowers



UHS, Bagalkot and Karnataka Farmers' Resource Centre, Bagalkot jointly organised State Level Training Programme on Protective Cultivation of Vegetables and Flowers on 27.01.2014 at KFRC, Bagalkot. Dr. A. B. Patil, Director of Extension, UHS, Bagalkot during his Inaugural Speech emphasized the importance of horticulture crops.

Scientists and Farmers Interaction Programme

An interaction of Scientists and farmers with respect to problems of Beetle vine on 11.01.2014 at UHS Bagalkot was organised by Directorate of Research UHS, Bagalkot.



Field Days



Grape Field Day was organized by Directorate of Research on 20.01.2014 at Sector 70, UHS Bagalkot. Around 150 farmers participated.



Field day on IPM in Cabbage

A field day on Frontline Demonstration on IPM in Cabbage was conducted by KVK, Kolar at Mudhuthi Village. The event was attended by Dr. K. Thulasi Ram, Programme Co-ordinator KVK, Kolar, Dr. Anjaneya Reddy SMS(PP) and Dr. K.R. Vasudeva, SMS(PHT).



Celebration of Technology Week by KVK Kolar



A technology week was conducted at KVK, Kolar from 17.1.2014 to 21.1.2014. A seminar on Protected Cultivation of Vegetables was conducted on 17.01.2014. Dr. M. Prabhakar, Principal Scientist (Vegetables), IIHR, Bangalore was chief guest and delivered lecture on protected cultivation. Dr.V. Nache Gowda Dean, COH, Kolar presided over the function and Dr. Honnabairaiiah ADRE, HRS, Hogalagere was the Guest of Honour. Similarly, a training programme on ICM on Mango, a Workshop on Prospects of Pomegranate Cultivation in Kolar District, a Training on Improved Cultivation Practices of Papaya and Banana were conducted for the subsequent three days. On 21.01.2014 an animal health campaign was organized at Matnalli village and an awareness programme on FDM management in cattle was held.

SAMETI (N) Workshop at UASD



Dr. A. B. Patil, Director of Extension, UHS, Bagalkot chaired the SAMETI (North) technical session held at UAS, Dharwad on 29.01.2014.

District Level Seminar on Spice Crops



Seminar on “Improved Production and Post Harvest Technology” in Important Spice Crops was jointly organized by CSS-NHM scheme and HEEU, RHREC, Dharwad under Directorate of Arecanut and Spice Development, CSS-NHM scheme, Calicut, Kerala from 11th to 14th December 2013. Dr. J. Venkatesh, Director of Research, UHS, Bagalkot spoke on the occasion after inaugurating the Seminar. Dr. A. B. Patil, Director of Extension, UHS, Bagalkot as chief guest explained about the medicinal importance of spice crops. Dr. S.I. Athani, ADRE and Dr T.B. Allolli, Scheme Head, CSS-NHM, RHREC, Dharwad spoke about the scope and importance of spice crops. Dr. J.B. Gopali, Head, HEEU, RHREC, Dharwad, Dr. B.C. Patil, Head, AICRP (Vegetable), Dr. K.R. Naik, Head, AICRP (Potato) and Laxaman Padnad, Technical Assistant covered different aspects of spice crops. About 450 farmers had participated from Dharwad and Belgaum districts.

One Day Training Programme on Mango



Dr. D. L. Maheshwar, Director of Horticulture inaugurating the Training Programme on Mango on 05.12.2013 at RHREC, Dharwad.

1st Prize for Best Stall Award at Mysore



The COH and HEEU, Mysore and HRS, Arsikere jointly participated in Suttur Jathra Mahotsava-Krishimela Exhibition, Suttur, Mysore organized by his Holiness Sri Adijagadguru Shri Srishivarathreshwara Shivayogi of Suttur Mutt from 27th Jan to 1st Feb. 2014 and UHS, stall bagged the First Prize.

VIP Visitors to University

Dr. L. Vijayakumar, Chairman, Special Task Force, Shastri Bharan, New Delhi visited RHREC, Dharwad along with Dr. S.B. Dandin, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, UHS, Bagalkot on 05.12.2013.



RECOGNITION AND AWARDS



Dr. B. Raju, Director of Education, UHS, Bagalkot is nominated by Director General, ICAR, New Delhi on 27th January, 2014 as **Member of ICAR Peer Review Team** to visit the Mahatma Phule Krishi Vidyapeeth, Rahuri (Maharashtra) to validate self study report and to make assessment for Accreditation.



The Scientific Community of Dr. Y. S. Parmar University of Horticulture & Forestry, Nauni, Solan-173230, Himachal Pradesh from their Society for Advancement of Human and Nature (SADHNA) honoured Dr. A. B. Patil, Director of Extension, UHS, Bagalkot with the **Achiever Award-2013**.



Prof. H.B. Lingaiah, Dean and Campus Head, COH, Bengaluru has been conferred the **Appreciation Award** by His Excellency Dr. Hans Raj Bhardwaj, the Governor of Karnataka on recognition of dedicated service as a Teacher, instituted by Rotary Bangalore South and Karnataka Civil Defence Corps on **28.09.2013**.



In recognition of significant contributions of Dr. Ashok S. Alur for being the part of the mission on reducing poverty, hunger, malnutrition and environmental degradation in dry land tropics in Asia and Sub Saharan Africa, was honoured with **Certificate of Appreciation** on **07.12.2013** at ICRISAT Hyderabad.

Considering the yeoman service to the farming community, Dr. Ashok S. Alur was honoured with **Sarvottama Seva Award** at the State level. The Award was given by His Excellency, Dr. Hans Raj Bharadwaja, the Governor of Karnataka at Raj Bhavan, Bengaluru on **26.01.2014**.

In recognition of outstanding contributions in the field of Science and Communication, Dr. Ashok S. Alur has been conferred with **Science Communicators Award-2013** by Vision Group on Science and Technology, Department of IT, BT & Science and Technology, Government of Karnataka.

Our Students from COH, Bengaluru Selected by ASRB, New Delhi as ARS Scientists

Fruit Science



Muralidhara, B. M.



Veena, G. L.



Kishore Kumar, M.



Anupa, T.

Spices, Plantation, Medicinal & Aromatics Plants



Akshitha, H. J.



Honnappa Asangi

Vegetable Science



Manjunatha Gowda, D. C.

Future Events

- 25-26th Feb., 2014** : Regional Conference on Science & Technology at Bagalkot.
- 7-8th March, 2014** : Zonal Workshop (RHREA & PF) for Northern Region of Karnataka at Bagalkot.
- 14-15th March, 2014** : Zonal Workshop (RHREA & PF) for Southern Region of Karnataka at Kolar.
- 20-22nd March, 2014** : National Conference on "Value Chain Management in Mango" at HRS, Hogalagere.

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