

NEWSLETTER



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#### **OUR CHANCE**



His Excellency Shri. Vajubhai Rudabhai Vala assumed the charge as Governor of Karnataka and Chancellor of University of Horticultural Sciences, Bagalkot on 01-09-2014. University is blessed with his able advise and periodic guidance for the comprehensive growth development of the university in particular and horticulture sector in general. By owing our respects to His Excellency, the faculty and staff of our university will contribute for quality education, research and extension to serve the state and country.

#### VIEWS OF VICE CHANCELLOR

It is delighted to note that our humble University is astonishingly excelling in academic, research and extension sectors of horticulture growth. From the initial establishment phase of six years, it is now getting into developmental phase wherein core focus is on the development of software and smartware skills to empower the faculty and scientists. Super intensive horticulture requirements need to be tackled through appropriate technological advances and greater reach to farmers through ICT application is the focussed challenge. Greater integration and collaboration with all State and National agencies and organizations for enhancement of the quality in



academics and research poses a challenge for which our University faculty and scientists have to intensively revisit and expose to opportunities and approaches to envision the competence and capabilities. Towards this several initiatives prompted recently have paved a prospective way forward courage and commitments for development and growth of our University.

# INAUGURATION OF NEW BUILDINGS OF COH, MYSORE





The Administrative Block of COH, Mysore was inaugurated by Sri Siddaramaiah, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Karnataka followed by unwheeling of the college building stone on 14.09.2014. Sri V. Shrinivas Prasad, Minister of Revenue and District incharge Minister, Mysore and Dr. Shamanur Shivashankarappa, Minister of Horticulture and Agril. Marketing unwheeled the stones of Cauvery Girl's Hostel and Krishnaraja Boy's Hostel respectively. Later two tree species viz., Agathis robusta and Roseodendron donnelsmithi were symbolically planted by Hon'ble Chief Minister and Horticulture Minister. Glimpses of state's scenario of Horticulture, activities and programmes of UHS, Bagalkot

and COH, Mysore were presented by Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Dr. D.L. Maheswar. MP Shri. R. Dhruvanarayan spoke on the occasion. Dr. B. Raju welcomed the dignitaries. MLA Shri. G.T. Devegowda presided over the function. Chief Minister assured that additional 76 acres of land adjacent to Department of Horticulture land will be given to University and more funds will be allotted to conduct research programmes in the University. Dr. Indiresh K. M. Dean, COH, Mysore proposed vote of thanks.

#### Vice Chancellor Visit to ICRISAT



Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Dr. D. L. Maheswar along with Dr. A. B. Patil, Director of Extension participated in the launching programme of "National Virtual Academy for Indian Agriculture" to promote Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) for agricultural professions, a regional event of 'One Agriculture-One Science Initiative' at ICRISAT, Hyderabad on 4<sup>th</sup> Sept. 2014.

#### Vice Chancellor at NAARM, Hyderabad



# Vice Chancellor visit to HREC, Devihosur

Vice Chancellor Dr. D. L. Maheswar visited HREC, Devihosur on 22.08.2014 along with Director of Extension and Director of Research (In charge) Dr. A. B. Patil and ADRE Dr. S. I. Athani and reviewed the progress of the centre in research, implementation of IFS and HEEU activities.



#### Vice Chancellor visit to HREC, Arsikere

The Honourable Vice Chancellor, UHS, Bagalkot Dr. D. L. Maheswar visited the Horticulture Research and Extension Centre, Arsikere on 01.09.2014 along with Dr. J. Venkatesh, Director of Research. The research and development activities of the centre were reviewed and suggestions were given for improving research, extension and developmental activities of the research station.



Vice Chancellor visit to UAS, Raichur

Dr. B. V. Patil, Director of Education and Former Vice Chancellor, UAS, Raichur welcomed our Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Dr. D. L. Maheswar at UAS, Raichur along with Director of Extension and I/c Director of Research Dr. A. B. Patil who visited UAS, Raichur on 03.09.2014 to various divisions of seed unit, IFS units, food processing units etc.



Vice Chancellor visit to RHREC, Dharwad



# Independence Day celebration at constituent campuses



Udyanagiri Campus, Bagalkot



COH, Bengaluru



COH, Kolar



COH, Koppal



COH, Bidar

COH, Sirsi



HREC, Hidkal Dam

HREC, Arsikere

# Guest Lecture at COH, Bengaluru



Dr. G. N. Mohan Kumar, Associate Professor, Department of Horticulture and Landscape Architecture, Washington State University, Pullman, USA delivered a lecture on "Health benefits of horticultural crops-cellular and molecular considerations" on 5th August, 2014 at College of Horticulture, Bengaluru.

# Horticulture Day on 08.08.2014



In view of Birth Anniversary of Father of Horticulture Dr. M. H. Marigowda, Horticulture Day was celebrated College of Horticulture, Sirsi on 08.08.2014.Dr. N. Basavaraj, Dean, COH, Sirsi inaugurated the function by planting the tree plants.

**EDUCATION** 

# RESEARCH

### 32<sup>nd</sup> All India Potato Group Workers Meet



All India 32<sup>nd</sup> group meeting of AICRP Potato was organised by University of Horticultural Sciences, Bagalkot in collaboration with Cental Potato Research Institute Shimla from 20-21<sup>st</sup> September, 2014 at UAS campus Dharwad. Dr. N. K. Krishnakumar, DDG (Horticulture), ICAR, New Delhi inaugurated and released souvenir and abstract book in the meet on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2014. Dr. B. P. Singh, Director CPRI Shimla, Dr D. P. Biradar, Vice Chancellor, UAS Dharwad and Dr. P. M. Govindkrishnan, Project Coordinator, AICRP Potato, Shimla addressed the gathering. Dr. K. K. Singh, Head, Agromet Division, India Meteorological Department, New Delhi, Dr. M. B. Madalgeri, Registrar, Dr. J. Venkatesh, Director of Research, UHS Bagalkot graced the meet and Dr. D. L. Maheswar, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, UHS Bagalkot presided over the function. Dr. K. Ramachandra Naik, Head AICRP Potato, Dharwad and Organising Secretary of National workshop and Seminar on Potato organized the meet.

# National Seminar on "Post Harvest Management and Processing of Potato for increasing Food Security" conducted at UAS campus Dharwad



The National Seminar was organised by University of Horticultural Sciences Bagalkot in collaboration with Indian Potato Association, Central Potato Research Institute on 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 2014. Dr. D. L. Maheswar, Hon'ble Vice-chancellor, UHS Bagalkot, presided over the function. Shri. Basavaraj Horatti, Former Education Minister and Hon'ble Member, Board of Management, UHS Bagalkot was the chief guest for inaugural function. Dr. B. P. Singh, Director, CPRI, Shimla delivered key note address.Dr. J. V. Goud, former Vice-chancellor, UAS Dharwad released e-CD of Souvenir-Abstracts of National Seminar. Dr D. P. Biradar, Vice Chancellor,

UAS, Dharwad also graced the function. Special invitees Smt. Laxmibai, G. Gour and Dr. T. V. Muniyappa, Hon'ble Members, BOM, UHS, Bagalkot were also present on the dais. Dr. J. Venkatesha, Director of Research welcomed the guests. Dr. S. I. Athani, ADRE, RHREC, Dharwad proposed vote of thanks. Dr. K. Ramachandra Naik, Organising Secretary of National workshop and Seminar on Potato conducted the technical sessions.

# EXTENSION



#### Director of Extension at Ilkal Krishimela

Dr. A. B. Patil, Director of Extension participated in the Krishimela of Sri Vijayamahantesh Math, Ilkal as one of the chief guests on 24.08.2014 and delivered a lecture on use of bio fertilizers in soil health management. Dr. M. B. Guled, Dean, PGS and Dr. Y. K. Kotikal, Dean, Students Welfare also spoke on this occasion.

# Workshop on IFS at UHS main campus, Bagalkot



One day workshop on IFS-Chintana Manthana was organized by UHS, Bagalkot in collaboration under RKVY on 09.09.2014 at Bagalkot. The function was inaugurated by Sri. K. S. Eshawarappa, Opposition Leader in the State Legislative Council, Sri. S. R. Patil, Hon'ble Minister for IT, BT & District incharge Minister, Bagalkot, Sri Basavaraj S. Horatti, MLC & Member, BOM, UHS, Bagalkot, Sri. Govind Karajola, MLA, Muddebihal, Sri. P. C. Gaddegoudar. MP, Bagalkot and Sri. Narayansa Bandhge, MLC participated in the inauguration of the workshop. Dr. D. L. Maheswar, Vice

Chancellor, UHS Bagalkot welcomed all the dignitaries. Progressive farmers Sri Mallanna Nagaral and Sri Iranna Tolamatti were felicitated by the dignitaries at the function. The Nodal Officer of IFS and Director of Extension Dr. A. B. Patil presented the overview about the implementation of IFS at UHS. Experts presented IFS technologies and

a discussion was held with the farmers.

# Hands on Training on Bee Keeping



One day training programme on Bee Keeping and Its Marketing was organised at Directorate of Extension, UHS, Bagalkot under Integrated Farming System in collaboration with Institute of Agriculture Technologists, Bagalkot Chapter and Karnataka Vikas Grameena Bank, Bagalkot branch on 13.08.2014. Dr. J. Venkatesh, Director of Research inaugurated the training programme by Lighting the Lamp. Dr. A. B. Patil, Director of Extension and Nodal Officer, IFS Project & President, IAT, Bagalkot Chapter in his introductory speech enlightened about the importance of Bee Keeping in IFS system. Shri. Manjunath Sullolli, Assistant Director, Information & Publicity Dept., Bagalkot, Shri Narayan Yaaji, Regional Manager, KVG Bank, Bagalkot and Sri Venkatesh H. C., Manager, KFRC, Bagalkot graced the function. Shri. S. M. Shanthaveeraiah, Retired ADA and Apiculture Specialist conducted practical classes to the participants at Orchard office and explained the bee keeping activity in detail. Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Dr. D. L. Maheswar distributed bee hive boxes and bees to the farmers. Ms. Vijaya Hosamani, Assistant Professor anchored the Programme.

# Workshop on New Schemes of NHB

Sri. P. P. Tiwari, Managing Director, NHB inaugurated the workshop on new schemes of NHB on 30.08.2014. Mr. Dal Singh explained the new schemes and revised guidelines of NHB. Dr. D. L. Maheswar, Vice Chancellor presided over the function. Dr. M. S. Lokesh, Dean, COH, Bidar welcomed and COH Bidar scientists presented the lectures. Dr. A. B. Patil, Director of Extension explained about the horticulture scenario of Bidar district.



#### IFS Training Programme at HREC, Devihosur

One day training was organized in HREC, Devihosur, on importance of IFS on 09.09.2014. Dr. M. H. Tatagar presided over the programme. Dr. Ajjappalavar, Sri. Krishna Kurubetta and Sri. Abdul Kareem. M. participated as resource persons. About 110 farmers from Attikatti village, Byadagi Tq. participated.



#### Training programme on improved cultivation of onion

One day training programme on "Improved cultivation of onion and other important vegetable crops was organized at MHREC, Bagalkot on 21.08.2014. Vice Chancellor Dr. D. L. Maheshwar, Dr. A. B. Patil, Director of Extension and Nodal officer of IFS project, Dr. D. R Patil, ADRE addressed the beneficiary farmers of Honnakatti, Mallapur and Anadinni villages. Dr. Lakshmana Kukanoor, Dr. Venkateshalu, Dr. Hadimani . H. P, Dr. Prasanna, and Dr. Ambika. D. S. delivered talks as resource persons. Dr. Anand G, and Dr. Shankar Meti, and Dr. Vasant Ganiger organized the programme.



#### **Best Display Award at Mysore Dasara Show**

College of Horticulture, Mysore put up a stall at Dasara Flower Show which was organized by the Department of Horticulture, Government of Karnataka at Kuppanna Garden, Mysore- as a part of Mysore Dasara Festival from 25.09.14 to 05.10.2014. The stall of COH, Mysore was inaugurated by Shri. Mahadeva Prasad, Hon'ble Minister of Co-operation, GOK on 25.09.2014. Shri. R. Dhruvanarayan, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Chamarajnagar, Shri, Pratap Simha, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Mysore District, Dr.(Mrs.) Pushpa Amaranath, President, Mysore Zilla Panchayath also visited COH, stall along with Ministers. Drumstick variety "Bhagya" released by UHS, Bagalkot was the major attraction of the show and our college received a "certificate of Appreciation for best display of information on Drumstick".



#### **IFS Training cum Input distribution**



Training cum distribution of inputs programme was organised on 11.08.2014 and on 18.08.2014 at COH, Mysore under IFS-II Unit. Dr. Indiresh, Dean, COH, Mysore, inaugurated the programme and distributed the input viz., paddy seeds, cowpea seeds, ragi seeds, cycle weeder, vegetable crates, neem oil and POP of horticulture crops to the beneficiaries of adopted villages viz., Anandur and Chikknalli of Mysore Tq. Dr. Venkat Rao. PI of IFS Phase II was instrumental in successful implementation of IFS at Mysore.

# 2<sup>nd</sup> SAC Meeting of Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Kolar



The second Scientific Advisory Committee meeting of Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Kolar was conducted on 12.09.2014 at College of Horticulture, Kolar. Dr. D.L. Maheshwar, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor has chaired the meeting and Dr. Srinath Dixit, Zonal Project Director, Zone VIII, Bangalore, Dr. A. B. Patil, Director of Extension, UHS, Bagalkot and Dr. Nagaraju, Director of Extension, UAS, Bangalore participated in the meeting. The representatives of all the line departments and the farmer representatives participated in the meeting as members. Besides Dr. V. Nachegowda, Dean, COH, Kolar, Dr. Honnabyraiah, Associate Director of Research and Extension, Hogalagere and invited progressive farmers have also participated in the meeting. Sri K. Thulasiram, Programme Co-ordinator, Krishi Vigyan Kendra presented the work done report for the year 2013-14 and action plan for 2014-15 before the august



gathering. An exhibition hall of Krishi Vigyan Kendra at COH, Kolar presenting technologies and products was inaugurated by Vice Chancellor Dr. D. L. Maheswar on 12.09.2014. On this occasion a press meet was conducted by Dr. D. L. Maheswar, Dr. A. B. Patil and Dr. Srinath Dixit and highlighted the progress and activities of KVK, Kolar. On second day, staff of COH, Kolar and KVK Kolar felicitated Dr. B. Raju, Director of Education, UHS Bagalkot in view of his superannuation on 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2014.

#### **UHS at World Coconut Day in Bangalore**



Scientists Dr. T. B. Basavaraju and Mr. Sudarshan, G. K. of HREC, Arsikere and staff of UHS Bengaluru chapter participated in the World Coconut Day on 02.09.2014 at IISc, Bangalore organized by the Coconut Development Board. An exhibition stall was arranged highlighting the research achievements of HREC, Arsikere and UHS Bagalkot.

# UHS Bagalkot at Krishimela of UAS, Dharwad



Directorate of Extension, KRCCH Arabhavi, COH Sirsi, RHREC, Dharwad and HREC, Kanabergi jointly put up a best display of UHS technologies giving a digital look. Mr. B. L. Tamadaddi, Associate Professor lead the team and achieved the sale of UHS publications to the extent of Rs. 86000/-.

#### Training on GMP on Pepper at COH, Sirsi

Horticulture Extension Education Unit, COH, Sirsi organized a training programme on good management practices of pepper on 13.09.2014. Farmers of Hangal and Dasanakoppa village participated. Dr. N. Basavaraj, Dean, COH, Sirsi inaugurated the function and Sri. Vijaykumar, B. N. and Sri. Prashanth served as resource persons. Dr. S. V. Patil, Extension Leader anchored the programme.



Training Programme on Protected Cultivation of Vegetables and Flowers

Two days training programme on Protected Cultivation of Vegetables and Flowers was organised at Directorate of Extension of UHS, Bagalkot in collaboration with Institute of Agriculture Technologists, Bagalkot Chapter from 22-23<sup>rd</sup> September, 2014. The training Programme was inaugurated by Shri. R. L. Katageri, Retired DDA & Former President of IAT, Bagalkot Chapter. Dr. A. B. Patil, Director of Extension, UHS, Bagalkot and Chairman, IAT, Bagalkot Chapter presided over the function. Sri. M. H. Banthanal, JDA, Dept. of Agriculture, advised farmers to share their knowledge with others and make use of the training by actively participating in the training.



#### VIP Visit



Dr. P. M. Govindkrishnan, Project Coordinator, Central Potato Research Institute, Shimla visited the potato research plots of RHREC, Dharwad centre on 08.08.2014 and expressed his satisfaction on the implementation of the programme at Dharwad on Potato.









Dr. S. R. Patil

A team of scientists comprising of Dr. J. Venkatesh, Director of Research, Dr. Satheesh R. Patil, Asst. Professor of Floriculture, Dr. Manjunath G., Asst. Professor of Plant Pathology and Dr. Suma R, Asst. Professor of Soil Science participated and presented papers in International Horticulture Congress 2014 held on 17-22<sup>nd</sup> August 2014 at Brisbane, Australia.



Dr. Basavaraj G. Asst. Professor of Agricultural Economics, RHREC, Bengaluru participated and presented his research paper on "Analysing pro-poor value chains- Study of post-rainy season sorghum in Maharashtra state of India" at

International Workshop on "Global Value Chains for Food and Nutrition Security" held at Roma Tre University, Rome, Italy from 25-26<sup>th</sup> September, 2014.

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#### **Awards & Recognitions**



Dr. H. B. Lingaiah, Dean, COH, Bengaluru has been nominated by The Secretary, DARE and Director General, ICAR as Member Convener to support 5<sup>th</sup> Deans' Committee on "Higher Agricultural Education in India" for the

subjects on Horticulture and Sericulture.



Dr. Chidanand P. Mansur, Dean, College of Horticulture, Bagalkot has been nominated by Her Excellency the Governor of Rajasthan as her nominee to the Finance Committee of Jai Narain Vyas University (JNVU) for a period of three

years from 17<sup>th</sup> July, 2014 to 16<sup>th</sup> July 2017.



Mr. Chandrakant V. Patil, Sr.M. Sc. student of Dept. of Plant Pathology, KRCCH, Arabhavi won the 1st prize for his oral presentation on "Characterization of begomovirus associated with yellow mosaic disease of ridge gourd in southern

India"at National Seminar, Bhubaneswar on 8-10<sup>th</sup> August, 2014 under the guidance of Dr. Ramdas, S.V. Dr. Shankarappa, K.S. and Dr. M. S. Kulkarni.



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