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VIEWS OF VICE CHANCELLOR



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I take this opportunity to highlight the organization of Bruhat Udyana Mela inaugurated by our Hon'ble Chief Minister of Karnataka on 13.12.2014 and the conduct of 4th Convocation of our University on 22.01.2015 graced by Sri Vajubai Vala, Hon'ble Governor of Karnataka and Chancellor of our University and Dr. Shamanur Shivashankarappa, Minister for Horticulture and Agriculture Marketing and Pro-Chancellor of our University. I also feel proud to host the 5th Dean's Committee Meeting at Bengaluru campus and congratulate all the scientists for their successful endeavours in organizing these magnificent events and extend my best wishes for making these events a colossal success.

BRUHAT UDYANA MELA-2014



Hon'ble Chief Minister of Karnataka Sri Siddaramaiah addressing the gathering during BUM -2014



Hon'ble Minister of Horticulture & Agril. Marketing Dr. Shamanoor Shivashankarappa addressing the gathering during BUM -2014

Vice Chancellor in the Farmers Field



Dr. D. L. Maheswar, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, UHSB visited high-density planting of guava and papaya at Karjagi village of Haveri district and appreciated the farmer for having grown 40 acres of papaya at a stretch and suggested the farmer to take maximum care regarding papaya ring spot virus, papaya mealy bug and white fly incidence. Dr. M. H. Tatagar, Dr. P. S. Ajjappalavar, Sri. Krishna Kurubetta, Sri. Abdul Kareem of HREC, Devihosur, Sri. Krishna Ukkund, SADH Haveri and Sri. Rangappa, ADH (HQ) Haveri also accompanied the Vice Chancellor.

Visit of Director Dr. K. P. Singh, Directorate of Floricultural Research, Pune

Director Dr. K. P. Singh, Directorate of Floricultural Research, Pune, Maharashtra visited the RHREC, Bengaluru on 19.01.2015. During his visit, Dr. Munikrishnappa, P. M., Assistant Professor of Floriculture and Landscape Architecture, and Dr. Mamathalakshmi, N., Assistant Professor of Agricultural Extension explained about various activities of the farm particularly about flower crops under polyhouse, viz., Anthurium, Orchids, Carnation and Gerbera. Further Dr. K. P. Singh expressed good opinion about bush pepper technology and felt happy about the research activities at RHREC Bengaluru.



EDUCATION

5th Dean's Committee Meeting at COH, Bengaluru



5th Dean's committee meeting was organized at College of Horticulture, Bengaluru from 20-22 December, 2014 by the convener of Horticulture and Sericulture disciplines Dr. H. B. Lingaiah. The programme was inaugurated by Dr. S. B. Dandin, Former Vice Chancellor, UHS, Bagalkot and presided over by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Dr. D. L. Maheshwar. About forty five Deans from various colleges of different SAUs across the country participated to discuss about the terms of references of the 5th Dean's Committee for strengthening the higher agricultural education by restructuring the curriculum of Under Graduate and Post Graduate programmes.

Wine Festival and Wine Seminar at Belagavi

Dr. A. B. Patil, Director of Extension and PI of RKVY project on 'Establishment of Centre of Viticulture & Oenology' participated and delivered a talk on wine education and global wine scenario in the Wine Festival and Wine Seminar organized jointly by KLE Society, Belagavi and Karnataka Wine Board (KWB), Bengaluru from 16-17th January, 2015 at Millenium Garden, Belagavi. Dr. S. L. Jagadish, Professor of Post Harvest Technology, Dr. E. Rajashekhar, Assoc. Professor of Agril. Microbiology, COH Bagalkot and students of P.G. Diploma in Viticulture and Oenology along with P. G. students of Fruit Science & PHT participated.



4th Convocation of University of Horticultural Sciences, Bagalkot



4th Convocation of UHS, Bagalkot was held on 22nd January, 2015 at Udyanagiri Cmapus, Bagalkot. Dr. D. L. Maheswar, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor welcomed Hon'ble Governor of Karnataka Sri Vajubhai Vala, Dr. Shamanur Shivashankarappa, Pro-Chancellor and Hon'ble Minister for Horticulture and Agriculture Marketing, GOK, Padmashree Dr. V. Prakash, Chief Guest and Distinguished Scientist of CSIR-India & Director, Research, Innovation & Development at JSSMVP, JSS Technical Institutions, Mysore, Esteemed Members of the BOM & Academic Council, graduating candidates and invitees. Hon'ble Governor of Karnataka Sri Vajubhai Vala awarded Ph.D., M.Sc. (Hort.) and B. Sc. (Hort.) degrees to the students with gold medals and certificates to the eligible candidates and congratulated all the degree recipients on this occasion. Dr. V. Prakash congratulated all degree recipients for their hard work they put in to earn their degrees and the distinction. Delivering the convocation address Dr. V. Prakash called upon the students and scientists of the university to make UHS reach out globally as World Class University. A total of 371 students including 2 Ph.D., 87 M. Sc. and 282 Undergraduates were conferred the degrees. **Ms. Neeraja Puthiamadom, B. Sc (Hort.) student from COH, Mysore announced as the Golden Girl in the 4th Convocation for having bagged 15 Gold Medals.** Totally 57 Gold Medals were awarded for 19 students.



Dr. P. B. Patil Memorial Lecture Series at KRCCH, Arabhavi

KRCCH, Arabhavi in collaboration with Dr. Pradeep B. Patil Memorial Trust organized the 8th Late Dr. P. B. Patil Memorial Lecture Series on the theme 'Savayava Krishi-Homa Krishi' on 13.01.2015. Inaugurating the function Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Dr. D. L. Maheswar appreciated the scientific contributions of Late Dr. P. B. Patil and suggested for starting of Dr. P. B. Patil Organic Fruit Park. Chief Guest Dr. A. B. Patil, DE emphasized the importance of microorganisms in soil health and said microbes are the wheels of organic farming. Sri A. M. Deasai delivered lecture on scientific benefits of Homa Organic Agriculture. Dr. M. S. Kulkarni, Dean presided over the function. Field visit and Field Demonstrations were organized in the farmer's field of Sri Siddarama Navi.



Inauguration of Science Exhibition at Bagalkot



Dr. A. B. Patil, Director of Extension, UHS Bagalkot inaugurated the Science Exhibition organized by Samruddhi Gurukula, S. S. Shirur Primary School and participated in the valedictory function at Bagalkot held from 2-4th January, 2015. DDPI, Bagalkot Sri Gonal and Principal of Gurukul School and other dignitaries of school are seen on the Dias.

Guest Lecture on Challenges and Opportunities of Agri-Business in Emerging Economy



Guest Lecture on "Challenges and Opportunities of Agri-Business in Emerging Economy" was given by Dr. K. Venkateshwaran, Scientist from Indian Institute of Plantation Management (IIPM), Bengaluru on 30.01.2015 at College of Horticulture, Kolar. The Dean, staff and the students of COH, Kolar attended the lecture and interacted with the resource person.

EXTENSION

DE at 2nd SAC Meeting of KLE-KVK, Mattikoppa



Dr. A. B. Patil, Director of Extension, UHS Bagalkot participated in 2nd SAC Meeting of KLE's KVK at

Mattikoppa village held on 26.12.2014 and suggested lot of landscaping and land development activities for which Chairman KLE Sri Prabhakar Kore granted funds for the activities on spot. Project Director, ZPD Zone VIII Dr. Shrinath Dixit expressed his satisfaction over the programmes of KVK.

Training on Beekeeping at RHREC Dharwad



To promote apiculture and create awareness on the importance of apiculture, one day training programme on "Role of Beekeeping in Horticulture" was organized by RHREC, Dharwad on 05.12.2014. Dr. S. I. Athani, ADRE, Dharwad inaugurated the programme. Dr. J. B. Gopali, Extension Leader emphasized that the beekeeping must be made commercially viable and a sustainable industry. Dr. B.C. Patil and Mr. Yeshwantkumar explained the various uses of honey and its medicinal properties. More than 200 farmers attended the training programme.

Training cum Input Distribution Under IFS programme at RHREC, Dharwad



Training cum Input Distribution to the IFS beneficiaries under IFS-II was organized at RHREC, Dharwad on 26.12.2014. The programme was inaugurated by Dr. D. L. Maheshwar, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, UHS, Bagalkot. Members of BOM Shri H. Y. Meti, MLA, Bagalkot, Shri. Basavaraj Horatti, MLC, Shri G. T. Patil, MLA, Bilagi, Dr. T.V. Muniyappa, Smt. Laxmibhai G. Gour, Shri H.K. Shrikant, Shri P.S. Suresh, Shri Govindappa Gujjannavar and Dr. Baburajendra Naik along with Dr. D.L. Maheshwar, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor addressed the farmers and distributed the inputs like cycle weeder, vermibeds, micronutrients and neem cake to the IFS beneficiaries.

Training on Urban Horticulture at Bagalkot



Four days training programme on 'Urban Horticulture' was organized at Directorate of Extension, Bagalkot in collaboration with ATMA SAMETI (N), UAS Dharwad from 5-8th January, 2015. The programme was inaugurated by Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Dr. D. L. Maheswar. Dr. A. B. Patil, Director of Extension and Course Director presided over the function. ATMA Extension Officers from Northern districts of Karnataka participated in the training programme. One day field visit was arranged to the different gardens at Alamatti.

Field Day on Ginger at Sirsi



HEEU, Sirsi organised the Field day on Ginger Cultivation in the field of Best Horticulture Farmer, an UHS awardee Sri Ganapathi G. Telagund, at Ramapura village, Sirsi Tq. on 19.1.2015. Inaugurating the Field Day, Dr. A. B. Patil, Director of Extension suggested the farmers to use organic manures, bio fertilizers and bring about value addition in ginger products to get higher returns. Dr. N. Basavaraju, Dean, COH Sirsi presided over the function. Dr. S. V. Patil, Extension Leader coordinated the field day.

Participation of UHS at Krishimela, JSS Suttur

The College of Horticulture, Mysuru, HEEU, Mysuru and HRS, Arsikere jointly represented UHS Bagalkot at Suttur Jathra Mahotsava-Krishimela Exhibition, Suttur organized by JSS, Suttur Math during 17-22 January, 2015. Dr. D. L. Maheshwar, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, UHS, Bagalkot inaugurated the UHS stall and participated as Chief Guest in the inaugural function of Agriculture Exhibition on 21.01.2014 in the presence of his holiness Sri Adijagadguru Shri Srishivarathreshwara Shivayogi of Suttur Mutt, Suttur along with Sri Anant Kumar, Hon'ble Minister of Chemicals



and Fertilizers, GOI, Sri H. Anjaneya Hon'ble Minister of Social Welfare, GOK, Mr. Madhu Bangarappa, MLA and Padma Bhushan Dr. M. Mahadevappa. UHS stall was unique in depicting different technologies developed by UHS in the exhibition

Krishi Vichara Sankirna at Benakatti



Dr. A. B. Patil, Director of Extension, Dr. Y. K. Kotikal, Dean (Students Welfare), Dr. M. B. Guled, Dean (PGS), UHS Bagalkot and Dr. Vasanth Ganiger, Associate Professor participated in Kirshi Vichara Sankirna organized by the Primary Agricultural Co-operative Society, Benakatti village on 18.01.2015. More than 250 farmers participated in the interaction meeting with scientists.

Field Day on Banana at Hospet



The Tissue Culture Banana Field Day was organized by IFS Phase-II, COH, Munirabad at Kaddirampur Village of Hospet Taluk on 23.01.2015. Dr.K.N.Kattimani Dean, COH, Munirabad presided over the function. Dr. Shivayogi Ryavalad, Coordinator IFS Phase-II and Co-PIs Dr. D. P. Prakash, Dr. Ashok Suryawanshi and Dr. Ravikumar, B. also present on this occasion as resource persons.

Field Day on Spice Crops at Devihosur



Field Day on chilli, onion, garlic, coriander and fenugreek was organized by Horticulture Extension Education Unit, Devihosur in collaboration with Department of Horticulture, Haveri and Spice Board, Ministry of Commerce, Government of India at Haveri on 28.01.2015. Sri Basavaraj Shivannavar MLA, Byadgi inaugurated the function. Dr. D. L. Maheswar, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, UHS, Bagalkot presided over the function and emphasised the farmers on importance of seed village concept. Smt. Laximibai Gour, Hon'ble Member, BOM and

Dr. J. Venkatesh, Director of Research, UHS, Bagalkot participated as chief guests. Sri. B. Vadiraj, Contact Officer, Spice Board, Haveri, Dr. Rajshekar Bijapur, JDA, Haveri, Sri. M. Basavaraj, DDH, Haveri participated as a special invitees. Dr. S. I. Athani, ADRE, RHREC, Dharwad also present. Dr. Prasanna, Dr. Laxman Kukunur, Dr. M. H. Tatagar, Dr. P. S. Ajjappalavara, Sri. Krishna D. Kurubetta, Sri. Abdul Kareem. M. served as resource persons. Around 524 farmers from seven taluks of Haveri district participated.

Training on Coconut Climbing and Plant Protection at HRS Arsikere



Coconut Climbing and Plant Protection Training Programme sponsored by Coconut Development Board, Bengaluru was organized at HRS, Arsikere for 20 rural youths during 22-27, December 2014. The training programme was inaugurated by Mr. Raghu, Senior Assistant Director of Horticulture, Arsikere. Mr. Vishwanth, Secretary and Mr. Onkara Murthy, Vice President of Arsikere taluk coconut growers association were present. Dr. T. B. Basavaraju, Professor and Head, HRS, Arsikere presided over the inaugural function. The training was given on climbing of coconut palm

using coconut climbing device, crown cleaning, coconut harvesting, plant protection and production technologies of coconut. Dr. T. B. Basavaraju, Dr. M. Prashanth, Mr. G. K. Sudarshan, Dr. G. S. Chandrasekhar and Mrs. Sunita Patil of HRS, Arsikere served as resource persons. The closing function of the training programme was graced by ADRE Dr. T. R. Guruprasad.

Students Activities

6th Inter Collegiate Youth Festival-2015 at COH Sirsi



UHS organized 6th Inter Collegiate Youth Festival-2015 from 2-4 January, 2015 at College of Horticulture, Sirsi. Sri Nadoja Disoja, a Writer and Kendra Sahitya Academy Awardee inaugurated the youth festival. Dr. D. L. Maheswar, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor presided over the function. Sri Vishveshwara Hegde Kageri, MLA, Sirsi-Siddapur was the Chief Guest. All Members of BOM, University Officers and Deans of all Colleges of UHS Bagalkot were present on the occasion. Prominent Singer Sri Ganapathi Bhat Hasanagi participated as chief guest for the closing ceremony of the festival held on 04.01.2015. Overall Championship and Runners Up Trophy was bagged by COH Sirsi (62 points) and COH Bagalkot (57 points) respectively

.....**Bruhat Udyana Mela -2014**

University of Horticultural Sciences, Bagalkot organized its 3rd Totagarike Mela as **Bruhat Udyana Mela-2014** (Mega Horticulture Fair) from 12-15 December, 2014 at Udyanagiri campus, Bagalkot in collaboration with NABARD, JISL Pvt. Ltd, Karnataka Vikas Grameena Bank, State Bank of India, NHM, NHB and other Developmental Departments of Govt. of Karnataka. Bruhat Udyana Mela with a main theme on “Mechanization for Prosperity” was formally given the start by Dr. T. V. Muniyappa, Hon'ble Member, BOM, UHS Bagalkot on 12.12.2014. On first day afternoon, Technical session on 'Recent Developments in Pomegranate Cultivation' along with farmers-scientists interactions were organized. Cattle show was also organized on first day of mela.



Hon'ble Chief Minister of Karnataka, Sri Siddaramaiah inaugurated the Bruhat Udyana Mela-2014 on 13.12.2014. He also inaugurated the farm mechanization exhibition and Jain Drip Irrigation Exhibition Block and also released various books, folders, leaflets and technical bulletins of UHS Bagalkot along with unwheeling of stones of UHS civil works. Hon'ble Chief Minister awarded & felicitated the Best Horticulture Farmer/Farmwomen of 23 districts coming under the jurisdiction of our university with a memento and a cash prize of Rs. 5000. Sri H. Y. Meti, MLA, Bagalkot presided over the inauguration function. Sri S. R. Patil, Hon'ble Minister for Planning, Statistics, IT, BT & Bagalkot District Minister, Dr. Shamanur Shivashankarappa, Pro-Chancellor & Hon'ble Minister of Horticulture and Agril. Marketing, Sri Mahadeva Prasad, Hon'ble Minister of Cooperatives, Smt Umashri, Hon'ble Minister of Kannada & Culture, Sri Krishna Byregowda, Hon'ble Minister of Agriculture, Sri Veeranna Mattikatti, MLC, Sri Basavaraj S. Horatti, MLC & Member, BOM, Sri J. T. Patil, MLA, Bilagi & Member, BOM, UHS Bagalkot were on the dais. All MLAs, MLCs, Zilla Panchayath Members, Principal Secretary of Horticulture, Director of Horticulture, District Commissioner, Chief Executive Officer, Superintendent of Police, Commissioner R&R and Officers of different Departments of the District were participated and graced the occasion. Dr. A. B. Patil, Director of Extension & Chairman of the mega event welcomed all the chief guests, farmers and invitees. Dr. D. L. Maheswar, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor presented the introductory remarks. Dr. J. Venkatesh, Director of Research proposed vote of thanks.



UHS Best Horticulture Farmers/ Farm women of 23 Districts

On third day of mela, technical session on 'Mechanization in Horticulture', 'Farmers Producers Companies' were organized. On fourth day of mela, various technical sessions on IFS, Agricultural Finance, Banking Services and Crop Insurance were organized. Totally 450 stalls by SAUs, ICAR Institutions, Private firms and SHGs exhibited agri-horti inputs/machineries and gave information on developmental programmes and services etc. More than two lakh farmers, farm women, students, children, youth, public, staff of all line departments from all the districts of Karnataka and neighboring states of Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu and Andra Pradesh witnessed the mega event.



UHS IN THE NEWS



Future Events

- Field Day at HREC, Sirsi on 11.02.2015
- Grape Field Day at Sector 70 on 07.02.2015
- Farmers-Scientists-Growers Interphase Meet on Online Trading at Bijapur on 20.02.2015
- Celebration of International Women's Day on 15.03.2015
- Training Programme on Spice Crops at RHREC Dharwad on 28.02.2015 to 02.03.2015
- Training on Value Added Products of Tomato at Directorate of Extension on 16.03.2015

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