



Vice-Chancellor's Out Look....



Dr. D. L. MAHESWAR

I feel pleasure to confer the graduate and post graduate degrees to our eligible students both in presentia and absentia in the 5th Convocation held on 27th Jan 2016. I am equally impressed by the way our graduates are benefitted by the Convocation address by our own Farm University Alumni and Additional Secretary, Department of Agriculture Co-operation and Farmers Welfare, Govt. of India, Dr. Ashok Dalawai. The conducive environment and facilities required to bring out the hidden talent in the students reflected in the 16th All India AGRI-UNIFEST held at Bhuvaneshwar, Orissa where in our students made the hatric achievement by bagging the runners-up trophy successfully third time for which I congratulate all the students and faculty for bringing another feather on our cap.

University is trying to make Horticultural Extension and Advisory Services transitioning from a focus on mere technology transfer to a greater focus on facilitating a range of technological interventions in the present complex contexts and enthusing the extension scientists/advisors to serve as the connecting actor in complex horticultural innovation systems. This has resulted in another hatric achievement by our university extension wing that has successfully attracted lakhs and lakhs of farmers to visit UHS during the mega events of horticulture fairs in 2013, 2014 and 2015. I congratulate the extension professionals of our university for organising various extension activities for the benefit of farming community that has made our university more farmer friendly.

INAUGURATION OF TOTAGARIKE MELA - 2015



University of Horticultural Sciences, Bagalkot organized its 4th Totagarike Mela from 19-21 December, 2015 at Udyanagiri Campus, Bagalkot in association with NABARD, Karnataka Vikas Grameena Bank, State Bank of India, NHM, NHB and other Developmental Departments of Govt. of Karnataka. Totagarike Mela with a main theme on "Healthy Soils for Healthy Life" was formally inaugurated by Dr. Mallanna Nagral, Progressive Farmer, Dr. N. K. Krishna Kumar, Deputive Director General of Horticulture, ICAR, New Delhi awarded & felicitated the Best Horticulture Farmers/Farm women of 23 districts coming under the jurisdiction of our university and also released the "Phala Shrestaru-2015" compendium covering the achievements of awardee Farmers/ Farm women. He also inaugurated the Horticulture Production, Marketing and Export Information Centre.

Dr. R. R. Hanchinal, Director of PPV&FRA, released the technical bulletins, folders, calendar and inaugurated bio digester unit, IFS unit, CD's on vermicompost production unit, soil and water conservation unit and addressed the farmers. On second day, former Principal Secretary, GOK, Dr. Shivanand Jamdar was the chief guest of the function and released the university publications and opined that the university establishment in this region is a significant achievement and appreciated the progress of university. Vice-Chancellor of UAS Dharwad, Dr. D. P. Biradar, Vice-Chancellor of UAHS Shivamogga, Dr. Vasudevappa, Director of Research, Dr. P. Narayanaswamy, Dean (PGS), Dr. Vagesh, Dr. L. Krishna Naik, former Director of Extension, UAS, Dharwad graced the occasion. Former Vice-Chancellor of UAS Dharwad and Chairman of Krishi Mission, Dr. S. A. Patil appreciated the extension activities of our university.

On third day Farmers-Scientists Interactions on Protected Horticulture, Role of Apiculture in Horticulture, Role of FPO and market information were organised and large number of farmers participated. During the valedictory function, Vice-Chancellor of KVAFSU Bidar, Dr. C. Renukprasad, Vice-Chancellor of Rani Chanamma University Belagavi, Dr. S. B. Hosamani, former Vice-Chancellor of UAS Raichur, and Director of Education, Dr. B. V. Patil, Director of Education UAS, Dharwad, Dr. B. M. Khadi, Director of Research UAS, Dharwad, Dr. B. S. Janagoudar, Director of Research UAS, Bengaluru, Dr. K. P. Vishwanath, Dr. L. Krishna Naik former DE of UAS, Dharwad and Members of Board of Management UHS, Bagalkot, Dr. T. V. Muniyappa, Shri H. K. Shrikanta, Shri Govindappa Gujjannavar, Shri P. S. Suresh, Dr. Babu Rajendra Naik, and officers of our university were present. 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 Four lakh farmers, farm women, students, school children, youths, public, staff of all line departments from all the districts of Karnataka and neighbouring states of Maharastra and Andhra Pradesh witnessed the mega event. Dr. A. B. Patil, Director of Extension & Chairman of the mega event presented the concluding three days report of the mela. Dr. D. L. Maheswar, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor was the chief guest of the last day session. Dr. M. B. Guled, Dean (PGS) proposed vote of thanks.



FARMERS AWARD CEREMONY IN TOTAGARIKE MELA



One day workshop on capacity building of faculty and students on "e-Marketing of agricultural & horticultural commodities"



A one day workshop was organized on capacity building of faculty and students on "e-Marketing of Agricultural & Horticultural Commodities" on 07.12.2015 in association with Karnataka State Agricultural Marketing Board and Rastriya e Marketing Services Pvt. Limited at UHS, Bagalkot. Dr. D L Maheswar, Vice-Chancellor inaugurated the workshop. He appreciated the scientists in organizing such workshop and exposing students to the latest initiatives on marketing and future markets. Dr. J. Ventakesh, Director of Research focussed on strengthening of marketing activities such as value addition, storage, grading and market infrastructure development etc. Dr. Madalageri, Registrar highlighted the need for market intelligence and business ideas on marketing aspects to benefit farmers to realize higher returns. The technical sessions were delivered by Dr. S Devaraj, General Manager, KSAMB, Belgaum Division and Mr. Vinayak Kotekar, Rastriya e- Marketing Services Pvt. Limited. Dr. Devaraj highlighted the history of regulated markets, constraints in the existing marketing system and the emergence of unified platform for marketing of agricultural commodities in the country.

'Inauguration of Horti-Business and Export Knowledge Centre and Workshop on Marketing Promotion Plans for Banana'

The University of Horticultural Sciences, Bagalkot established Horti-Business and Export Knowledge Centre at UHS, Bagalkot under the financial support of Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojane. 'Inauguration of Horti-Business and Export Knowledge Centre' and 'Workshop on Marketing Promotion Plans for Banana' was scheduled on 30.01.2016 at Directorate of Extension, UHS, Bagalkot. The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor of Rani Channamma University Dr. S. B. Hosamani inaugurated "Horti-Business and Export Knowledge Centre" and released the DVD on 'Contract Farming for Export of Banana'. The programme was chaired by Dr. D. L. Maheswar, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, UHS, Bagalkot. On this special programme, lectures related to Banana fruit marketing were arranged, wherein, Dr. T. N. Venkatareddy, Associate Professor, GKVK, Bengaluru, progressive farmers and buyers shared their experiences on marketing issues related to banana.



Wine Festival and Wine Seminar at Bagalkot



Dr. A. B. Patil Director of Extension, UHS Bagalkot and T. Somu, Managing Director of Karnataka Wine Board jointly organised the two days conference on wine technology and wine education at Hotel HariPriya on 20-21 Jan 2016. Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Dr. D. L. Maheswar inaugurated the conference. The Chairman of Karnataka Wine Board Sri Basappa Kote presided over the function. Dr. A. B. Patil, Dr. E. Rajashekar, Dr. Veeranagouda Patil and Gourav Thapar served as resource persons. On the second day of wine education programme the District Minister Sri S. R. Patil graced the programme and addressed the participants. This is the first wine education and wine tasting programme organised by our university allowing the participants to taste more than twenty Indian and imported wines.

5th Convocation of University of Horticultural Sciences, Bagalkot

The Fifth Convocation of University of Horticultural Sciences, Bagalkot was organized on 27.01.2016. During the convocation 19 University, 38 Donors gold medals were awarded to the eligible graduate & post graduate students. Further 386 B.Sc.(Hort.), 87 M.Sc.(Hort.) & 14 Ph.D in Horticulture were also conferred to the eligible students both In-Person/In-Absentia. Dr. Shamanur Shivashankarappa, Hon'ble Minister for Horticulture & Agril. Marketing and the Pro- Chancellor of UHS, Bagalkot presided over the Convocation. Dr. Ashok Dalwai, IAS Additional Secretary, Department of Agriculture & Co-operation, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmer's Welfare, Government of India, New Dehli was the Chief Guest and delivered the Convocation Address. Dr. D. L. Maheswar, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Members of Board of Management & Members of Academic Council, Staff Students and Invitees were present during the convocation.



Students Taking Oath During Fifth Convocation



Awardees During Fifth Convocation



Project Co-ordinator, AICRP (Fruits), IIHR Bengaluru at HRES, Vijayapur



Dr. Prakash Patil, Project Co-ordinator, AICRP (Fruits), IIHR, visited HRES, Vijayapur (Tidagundi) on 27.01.2016 to review the progress of AICRP experiments on grapes. During his visit, Dr. A. M. Nadaf Assistant Professor of Entomology, and Raghavendara Achari Assistant Professor of pathology explained about various activities of the research station focusing on grape and pomegranate research.

Visit of Hon'ble members of Board of Management of UHS Bagalkot to Tidagundi

Hon'ble members of Board of Management of UHS Bagalkot Dr. T.V. Muniyappa, Sri. Govindappa R Gujjannavar and Smt. Laxmibai G Gour visited HRES, Vijayapur (Tidagundi) on 25.01.2016 and reviewed the developments of the research station. During their visit, Dr. H. B. Patil, Head HRES, Vijayapur (Tidagundi) welcomed the guests and Dr. Raghavendara Achari Asst. Prof. of Pathology explained about various activities of the research station. They also visited the tissue culture laboratory and mass production techniques in the lab for multiplication of banana tissue cultured plants.



Programme on Movement of Youths Towards Agriculture

The Programme was organized by UAS, Raichur. Dr. A. B. Patil, Director of Extension delivered a talk on UHS Technology Interventions to Build Confidence Among the Farmers at UAS, Raichur during the programme entitled Youth Movement Towards Agriculture on 07.01.2016. All the Directors of Extension of UAS Dharwad, UAHS Shimoga, UAS Raichur and Director of Research of UAS, Bengaluru also participated. Hon'ble Minister of Agriculture Shri Krishna Bairegowda chaired the interactive session on 08.01.2016 and Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of UAS, Raichur presided over the function on the both the days.



CELEBRATION OF REPUBLIC DAY AT VARIOUS UHS CAMPUSES



UHS, Bagalkot



COH, Arabhavi



COH, Mysuru



COH, Kolar



HREC, Hogalagere

Celebration Of Farmers Day at UHS, Bagalkot



On the eve of birthday of Chaudri Charan Singh and Atal Bihari Vajapayee the day of 23rd December 2015 was celebrated as Farmer Day with a slogan "Jai Kisan Jai Vigyan at UHS, Bagalkot. The Programme was inaugurated by progressive farmer Veeranna Tolamatti of Sunaga Village. In his inaugural speech he highlighted that farmers are totally dependent on mother land for their livelihood and struggle hard to get quality yields without using excess injurious pesticides and protect soil health. Shri M. I. Ganagi, CGM, NABARD, Bengaluru in his chief guest speech stressed on the issue of farmers suicide and said same has to be resolved and addressed. Dr. D. L. Maheswar, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor in his presidential remarks told that farmers day has to be celebrated scientifically and has to be given due credits to farmers achievements. In the programme Dr. M. B. Madalageri, Registrar, Dr. Y. K. Kotikal Dean (Students Welfare) and Shri R. K. Dudihalli, District Manager, NABARD, staff and students were present

CELEBRATION OF WORLD SOIL DAY

KVK Kolar in association with Agriculture Department and Zuari Agro Chemicals Ltd, Bengaluru organised the World Soil Day on 05.12.2015 in the campus of COH Kolar. The programme was inaugurated by Member of Board management of UAHS, Shimoga, Dr. T. K. S. Gowda. In his inaugural speech he highlighted how soils are formed, importance of soil in agriculture and its efficient use for the further genesis. Dr. S. V. Hittalamani, Former Additional Director of Horticulture participated as resource person and delivered a talk on the protection of soils and its utilization for future generation. The chief guest of the function and the Member of Board



management of UHS, Bagalkot Dr. T. V. Muniyappa distributed the soil health cards to the farmers. In the presidential remarks Dr. V. Nachegowda, Dean, COH Kolar stressed the importance of soil and said that soil is a boon for the human mankind so we have to utilize in a correct way. In the training programme all the staff of teaching, non teaching and students were participated.

AWARENESS WORKSHOP ON PROTECTION OF PPV & FRA AT KOLAR



College of Horticulture, Kolar and KVK Kolar with the financial support from Protection of Plant Varieties and Farmers Rights, New Delhi organised the workshop to create the awareness among the farmers about PPV&FRA Act 2001 on 29.01.2016 at COH, Kolar campus. Dr. R. R. Hanchinal Chair Person of the Protection of Plant Varieties and Farmers Rights, GOI, New Delhi inaugurated the programme. He addressed and said India is bestowed with 49000 different plant varieties with a lot of biodiversity and india is a hub for biodiversity in plants. No other country is blessed with such a kind of diversity in the world. From 1992 to till today 6000 plant varieties have been

identified and among these only 900 have been registered. Many new plant varieties are in pipeline for registration and among them 178 plant varieties are from Karnataka. Dr. A. B. Patil, Director of Extension appreciated the Kolar farmers that they are efficient in producing the crops with very good yield levels with very low rainfall in Kolar Dist as compare to other districts and they are models for others. The Member of Board management of UHS, Bagalkot Dr. T. V. Muniyappa, and all the staff of teaching and students were present in the function.

TRAINING CUM EXHIBITION PROGRAMME ON FLOWER CROPS AT MYSURU

HEEU Mysore in association with Horticulture Department organised the training cum exhibition programme entitled Commercial Production Technologies for Selected Flower Crops on 12.01.2016 for the benefit of floriculture farmers of Mysuru, Chamrajnagar and Mandya districts. Dr. A. B. Patil, Director of Extension inaugurated the function and gave a call to the small farmers to adopt Integrated Farming Systems so that economic status will be improved. During the programme, Professor K. T. Shivashanker released a booklet on flower crops and distributed to the farmers. Extension Leader Harish B. S. told the farmers to adopt the scientific technologies and diversified farming practices to get more profit and said that it will be like ATM for the small farmers. In the technical sessions progressive farmers, line dept staff, all the staff of teaching were present in the function. The scientists from IIHR, Hesaragatta, Bengaluru, Dr. Dhananjai participated as resource person.



FIELD DAY ON VEGETABLES AT UHS BAGALKOT

The programme on Interactive Meeting with vegetable growers and UHS scientists along with vegetable field day was organised on 05.01.2016 at UHS main campus by the department of vegetable science. 150 farmers from Honnakatti, Kiresur and Devlapur and other villages had come to attend the programme. Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Dr. D. L. Maheswar, UHS Bagalkot chaired the interactive meeting and Dr. A. B. Patil, Director of Extension, Dr. J. Venkatesh, Director of Research, Dr. Y. K. Kotikal, Dean Students Welfare, ADRE, D. R. Patil, Dist Information and Publicity Officer, Sri Manjunath Sulloli and members of BOM Sri Govindappa Gujjannavar participated as guests. Dr. Vasant Ganiger Professor of Vegetable Science organised the field visit to vegetable block and led the whole event and made fruitful.



FIELD DAY ON CHILLI AT DHARWAD



Field day on chilli was organized at Kamadolli village, Kundagol taluk on 10.12.2015. Dr. J. Venkatesh, Director Research, UHS, Bagalkot, Dr. M. B. Madalageri, Registrar, UHS, Bagalkot, Dr. D. R. Patil, Special Officer (Seed), UHS Bagalkot and the Scientists from HRES, Devihosur and Seed Unit, as well as SADH, Kundagol participated in the program. Dr. J. Venkatesh, Director of Research, UHS, Bagalkot presided over the function and delivered a talk on seed production aspects in byadgi chilli and advised the farmers to be a part of seed village programme. Dr. M. B. Madalageri, Registrar, UHS, Bagalkot participated as chief guest and spoke on the importance of purification in Byadgi chilli. Dr. M. H. Tatagar, Dr. P. S. Ajjappalavar, Mr. Krishna Kurbetta, Mr. Abdul Kareem M and Dr. Shivayogi Ryavlad delivered lectures. Totally 80 farmers participated in the program.

STUDY TOUR OF FARMERS TO MAHARASTRA

The 90 IFS beneficiary farmers from Bagalkot were sent for five days study tour to Maharashtra from 18-22 Jan., 2016. Dr. Anand Nanjappanavar, PI of IFS project deputed 45 farmers from Kiresur village of Bagalkot Taluk and Mr. Shivayogi Ryavlad PI of IFS project deputed 45 farmers from Devlapur village of Bagalkot Taluk. Both the PI's led the team and visited NRC, Pomegranate Solapur, MPKV Rahuri, KVK Baramati and Kannerimath Kohlapur. Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Dr. D. L. Maheswar, UHS Bagalkot, Nodal Officer and Director of Extension, Dr. A. B. Patil and all officers of UHS greeted the farmers for study tour to Maharashtra, while commencing their study tour in front of UHS main building on 18.01.2016.



Greeting Farmers on Study Tour to Maharashtra



IFS Beneficiary Farmers at NRCP, Solapur

One Day Workshop on Papaya Farming



Directorate of Extension & HEEU, Bagalkot have jointly organized one day Workshop on Papaya farming: Production, Marketing, Value Addition and its Opportunities and Challenges at Udyanagiri campus, UHS, Bagalkot on 08.12.2015. Dr. D. L. Maheshwar, Vice-Chancellor, UHS, Bagalkot presided over the function. Shri Ajaykumar Sarnaik, President DCC Bank, Bagalkot inaugurated the programme. Dr. A. B. Patil, DE, UHS, Bagalkot welcomed the gathering and gave the introductory remarks. Shri Govindappa Gujjannavar, BOM, UHS, Bagalkot, Dr. J. Venkatesh, DR, UHS, Bagalkot, Dr. V.I. Benagi, DE, UAS, Dharwad, Shri Dhanpal Yellati, Progressive farmer and Scientists of Directorate of Extension were present. Lastly, Mr. B. S. Lakshman Reddy, Extension Leader, HEEU, Bagalkot proposed vote of thanks. Dr. Uma Akki, anchored the programme.

UHS Bags Runners-up Championship at All India Agri Unifest 2015-16

The University of Horticultural Sciences, Bagalkot has won the Runners-up Championship for the successive third time in 16th All India AGRI UNIFEST held at Bhuvaneshwar, Orissa, wherein many farm universities took part from all over the country. The team of students comprising of 9 boys and 13 girls given a warm welcome at Bagalkot by Dr. D. L. Maheswar, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor and all the officers, staff and students of our university. He also said that the achievements of our students has brought laurels to the university at national level adding one more feather on our cap.



Awards & Recognitions



Dr. N. Basavaraj, Dean (Hort.), College of Horticulture, Sirsi was conferred with a Fellow Award from Association for the Advancement of Biodiversity Science, Belgaum recently in December 2015.



Dr. Kiran Kumar, K.C., Assistant Professor of Plant Pathology, COH, Bagalkot has been awarded with Best Poster Award for his research paper entitled "Management of powdery and downy mildew of grapes using *Bacillus subtilis*" in National Symposium (IPS-South zone) on "Recent trends in Plant Pathological Research and Education" held at UAS, Raichur from 5-6th Jan. 2016.

UHS Participation in Krishimela



Future Events

- * 4-5th March 2016 : State Level Seminar on Bee Keeping at Bagalkot
- * 8-9th March 2016: State Level Seminar on Cashew at Bidar

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