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From the Vice - Chancellor's Desk. . .

With the beginning of new academic year, the university has done its level best to select the good meritorious lot of students for both graduate and post graduate studies in different horticultural subjects. The selection procedure, as usual, evidenced a very high level of competition for B.Sc. (Hort.) and M.Sc.(Hort.) programmes.

The research work being taken by both staff and PG Students is being monitored by the higher authorities so as to make it more farmer oriented and problem driven, finally to give effective solutions to the field problems faced by the stakeholders. The Horticulture Extension Education Units have started their activities in a full pledged manner and several programmes have been conducted during this couple of months. The national seminar

on acid lime was a grand success and gave scope to organize the national seminar on grapes, yet another commercially important crop of the state, from 10th to 12th September, 2011.

The college building, boys hostel and girls hostel are ready at Kolar and the buildings are about to be completed at Bidar. The laboratory for quality control and grading of horticulture products (RKVY) and bio-control agents (NHM) have been occupied and the work has been started. The seeds and seedlings are being multiplied at all the centres of the university and our farmers can visit and avail the facilities available at the various centres of our university.

UG and PG Counseling 2011-12

A view of Admission process to B.Sc.(Hort) 2011-12



Dr.S.B.Dandin, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor presented the admission card to the first selected student for B.Sc (Hort.) admitted during the year 2011-12. Dr. Raju B., Dean PGS, Dr.A.B.Patil, Registrar and Deans of all the colleges and the Directors were present on this occasion. A total of 446 students were selected and they got admission at nine different colleges of the University.

During this academic year a total of 75 and 20 students have joined for pursuing their M.Sc. (Hort.) and Ph.D (Hort.), respectively, at different campuses of the University.



Inaugurations



The new buildings of RHREC, Bangalore, was inaugurated by Dr. H.P. Singh, Deputy Director General (Horti.), I.C.A.R., New Delhi on 30th June 2011 in the presence of Dr. S. B. Dandin Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, UHS, Bagalkot and officers and staff of RHREC and PG Centre, Bangalore. On this occasion, planting of different seedlings was done by the guests and hosts.



The new building of Horticultural Research Station, Hidkaldam was inaugurated jointly by Shri. Umesh Katti, Minister for Agriculture and Dr. C. D. Mayee, Chairman, ASRB, New Delhi on 02.07.2011 in the presence of Dr. S. B. Dandin Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, UHS, Bagalkot, Dr. Prabhukumar, Zonal Project Director of Zone VIII, ICAR, Bangalore and Dr. J. Venkatesh, Director of Research, Dr. Y. K. Kotikal, Director of Extension were also present on this occasion.

Trainings

Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Dr. S.B. Dandin, UHS, Bagalkot inaugurated the training programme on **Medicinal plants, Jamun processing and kitchen gardening** on 7th July, 2011 and called upon the trainees to grow vegetables and fruits and use them for their own health benefits. Dr. Y. K. Kotikal, Director of Extension welcomed the growers and gave an introductory note. Dr. Ashok Alur and staff members of COH, Bagalkot were present. Dr. Bhuvanewari G, Assistant Professor, COH, Bagalkot demonstrated the jamun processing to Women's group of Bagalkot. Dr. Harish, Assistant Professor, from COH, Bagalkot spoke on medicinal plants and their importance in health. The programme was organized by the Horticulture Extension Education Unit at COH, Bagalkot.



One day training programme for farm facilitators under "**Suvarna Bhoomi Yojane**" Horticulture was conducted at College of Horticulture, Bidar on 13-06-2011. The programme was inaugurated by Dr. S. I. Hanamashetti, Special Officer, College of Horticulture, Bidar. Dr. Gajanana, Scientist, ICRISAT, Dr. C. N. Hanchinamani, District Co-ordinator (SBYH), Mr. Mohan Rao, ICRISAT, Smt. Sumangala Jakareddy, ADA, Department of Agriculture, Aurad and Sri. Rajol, ADH, Department of Horticulture were present on the occasion. About twenty two farm facilitators participated in the training programme of Suvarna Bhoomi Yojane, Horticulture. The trainees were briefed about different aspects of Horticulture and allied subjects by the resource persons from College of Horticulture, Bidar and ICRISAT, Hyderabad.

One day training programme on "**Onion production and post harvest management**" was organised by Karnataka State Marketing Board, Belgaum on 16.06.2011 at Saundatti. Mr. T. G. Kabburi, Deputy General Manager of KSAMB, Belgaum welcomed the dignitaries, Mr. Patil Chairman, APMC, Saundatti taluka presided over the function. Dr. K. Ramchandra Naik, Head, Horticulture Extension Unit, ZHREC, Kumbapur, Dharwad addressed the gathering and delivered the lecture on "Onion production and post harvest management". About 100 farmers participated in the training programme.



District level training programme on "**Onion storage and demonstration of storage structures**" was organized under RKVY project on 8th July 2011 at the fields of Shri Andandgouda Policepatil, Masuti village, Basavanbagewadi Tq, Bijapur Dist. The programme was inaugurated by Dr. J Venkatesh, DR, UHS. Dr. V. C. Kanmadi, Professor, K. R. C.C.H, Arabhavi presided over the function, Shri Manjunath Narayanpur DDH Bijapur, Shrimati Kasturibai Bhishtagonda, President of Taluk Panchayat Basavanbagewadi, Shri Mohangouda C. Patil, President of Gram Panchayat, Masuti were the chief guests. The function was organized by Dr. Laxman Kukanoor PI of RKVY project. Mr. Adarsh T. Kulkarni proposed vote of thanks. Around 300 farmers of different taluk of Bijapur Dist. Participated in the programme. The practical demonstration was conducted on improved onion storage structure.

A training programme was organised on "**Organic farming in spice crops**" at COH, Bidar by HEU on 21.07.2011. The programme was inaugurated by Dr. Isabella Xevier, Member of Board of Management and addressed the farmers. Dr. Y. K. Kotikal Director of Extension, UHS, Bagalkot gave an introductory address and highlighted the importance of organic spices in export market. Dr. M. B. Madalageri, Special Officer, COH, Bagalkot spoke on the importance of seed spices. Dr. S. I. Hanumashetti, Special Officer, COH, Bidar presided over the function.



Field Day on Banana



A field day on Banana was organized at Sanganakeri of Gokak Taluka on 07.07.2011. Dr. J. Venkatesh, Director of Research, UHS, Bagalkot addressed the farmers about adoption of the new technology developed by the university in banana cultivation. Dr. M. S. Kulakarni, Dean, KRCCH, Arabhavi addressed the farmers about Banana diseases. Dr. V. C. Kanamadi, Dr. N. Thammaiah, Dr. J. Jayappa, Associate Professor, KRCCH, Arabhavi and other officers were also present at the field day held at the farm of Shri Bheemangouda Patil. About 50 farmers participated. The event was organized by the AICRP (Tropical fruits) at KRCCH, Arabhavi.

Conference / Celebrations



Dr. S. B. Dandin Hon'ble Vice Chancellor delivered a lead lecture at the Global conference on augmenting production and utilization of Mangoes, Biotic and Abiotic Stresses, on 21 -24 June 2011, held at IISF, ICSF, Lucknow.



College of Horticulture Hiriyyur, organized the Hostel Day Function on 28.06.2011. Dr. K. P. Putturay, Professor, International Medicinal College, Bangalore inaugurated the programme. Dr. R. C. Hallikeri and Dr. Isabella Xevier Das, Members of Board of Management, Dr. J. Venkatesh Director of Research, Dr. Y. K. Kotikal, Director of Extension, Dr. P. Narayanswamy, Dean, COH, Hiriyyur and other officers of the University were present on the occasion. The entertainment programme was also organized by the students.



Hon'ble Minister of Horticulture, Shri S. A. Ravindranath, Shri D. Sudhakar, MLA, Hiriyyur and Mr. Thippareddi, MLC, Chitradurga, laid the foundation stone of college, hostel buildings and inaugurated fruit crops seminar at COH, Hiriyyur on 28.06.2011. Dr. H. P. Singh, DDG (Hort.), ICAR, New Delhi, Dr. S. B. Dandin, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Dr. Isabella Xevier Das, Mr. Sampat Samrajya, Members of Board of Management, Dr. P. Narayanaswamy, Dean, COH, Hiriyyur and faculty members and students of COH, Hiriyyur were present during foundation stone laying ceremony of COH, Hiriyyur.



Dr. S.B. Dandin, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, UHS, Bagalkot inaugurated the College Day and Hostel Day celebrations of College of Horticulture, Mysore on 30-07-2011 at Tandavapur, Mysore. Dr. T. R. Guruprasad, Special Officer, ZHREC, Bangalore and Dr. S. Jaganath, Special Officer, COH, Mysore were present on the occasion.

Awards & Recognitions



Dr. G. Manjunath received JAWAHARLAL NEHRU AWARD for Post Graduate Agricultural Research in the field of Biotechnology for the year 2010 at New Delhi from Union Minister for Agriculture, Shri Sharad Pawar on 16.07.2011



Dr. M. B. Madalageri, Special Officer, COH, Bagalkot, received INDIA INSPIRATION AWARD by Dr. G.V. G. Krishnamurthy, Former Election Commissioner of India for his outstanding and extra-ordinary achievements in his fields of activity and services rendered to promote greater friendship and India-International Co-operation organized by Friendship Forum of India at New Delhi on 20th July, 2011.

Taluka Kannada Sahitya Sammelana

Kannada Sahitya Parishat, Kushtagi, Koppal district organized 5th Taluka Kannada Saahitya Sammelana on 24.07.2011 at Hanumanaal. Dr. K. N. Kattimani, Special Officer, College of Horticulture, Munirabad, delivered a lecture on Importance of Agriculture and Horticulture in Karnataka. Dr. Mallanna Nagara, progressive farmer from Hunagund spoke on the importance of Organic Farming and Mr. Hirekurbar, SADH, Kustagi and other officials were present on the occasion.



VISITS



Dr. J. Venkatesh Director of Research, UHS, Bagalkot along with Dr. Nalini Mallikarjuna, Principal Scientist (Biotech.), ICRIASAT, Hyderabad visited to HRS, Bijapur (Tidagundi) on 08.06.2011 for the site inspection and planning of Tissue culture Laboratory.



Dr. S. B. Dandin, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, UHS, Bagalkot visited COH, Sirsi on 25.06.2011 and reviewed the progress of the college and selection of site for establishment of COH, Sirsi



Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Dr. S. B. Dandin along with Mr. S. C. Mirajkar, Estate officer visited HRS, Sringeri on 10-06-2011, reviewed the activities of the Research Station and discussed about the farm development activities, progress regarding construction of office and laboratory buildings.



Visit of ICAR team to the HRS Hidakaldam to observe the site for establishment of second KVK for Belgaum district. On this occasion planting of different seedlings was done by the Shri. Umesh Katti, Minister for Agriculture and other dignitaries on 02.07.2011.



Dr. H.P. Singh, Deputy Director General (Hort.), ICAR, New Delhi visited the campus of College of Horticulture, Mysore on 29-06-2011. Dr. S.B. Dandin, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, UHS, Bagalkot and Dr. Jaganath Special Officer, COH, Mysore explained the progress of the activities made so far and further plans of taking up the work.



Dr. S. B. Dandin, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor visited the Orchid Nursery at Kabbae village in Sirsi taluka of Uttara Kannada district on 09-7-2011. Scientists Dr. M.S. Lokesh, Dr. Nagesh Naik and the Farm Manager Mr. Vinay Hegde accompanied the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor.



Deputy Director of General (Hort.), ICAR, New Delhi made a visit to the Regional Horticultural Research Station, Hiriyyur on 28.06.2011 and promised for the sanction of the AICRP on Sub Tropical Fruits and sub centres for Onion and Garlic and substation on Coconut Research.



Dr. S. B. Dandin, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, & Dr. Isabella Xavier Das, Member of Board of Management, visited and reviewed the Nursery activities and other Developmental activities of HRS, Sirsi on 09-7-2011. Sri. S. C. Mirajkar - Estate Officer, Dr. N. Basavaraj Special Officer, COH, Sirsi, Dr. M.S. Lokesh and Dr. Nagesh Naik were present during the visit.

Announcement: First *Totagarika Mela* and 3rd Foundation day of UHSB are being organized from 22nd to 24th November 2011 and the first convocation of UHS, Bagalkot will be held in the middle of December 2011.

Latest: The Directorate of Extension and Directorate of Research have been shifted to Udyanagiri, the main campus of University of Horticultural Sciences, Bagalkot on the Hubli by-pass road near Seemikeri.

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