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### *From the Vice - Chancellor's Desk. . .*

Wishing you all a very Happy New Year (2012). The year 2011, that passed by was a momentous year in the history of university of horticultural sciences, Bagalkot as it witnessed organization two great events namely the Totagarika mela in November and convocation in December besides regular events like foundation day, youth festival, national level seminars, trainings etc.

We look forward for the continued and proactive cooperation of all the stake holders as it was extended during our Totagarika mela and convocation. The line departments particularly the state departments of Agriculture, Horticulture Watershed, Veterinary and Animal Husbandry, Sericulture, Forestry, Marketing and Cooperation etc. have been extending their helping hands besides whole hearted support from private sectors and ICAR, NHM, NHB, IFFCO, ATMA and such other institutes.

The second phase of recruitment to the teaching and non teaching posts has been done. The teaching programme in the university is almost well set to go. The research activities need to be taken up effectively and more precisely. The extension system has to be built up on a strong foundation as it has been approved by Board of Management. Our university would see continuation of many issues of past in 2012 also. The year ahead is being projected as "Horticulture Year" to give boost to the Horticulture sector. We have to work hard along with our partner stake holders in all respects to ensure the food security, nutritional security and higher income level to the farmers.

### **FIRST TOTAGARIKA MELA 2011**



Bagalkot, who presided over the function, said that in order to avoid the post harvest losses of vegetables and fruits grown by farmers, there is necessity to set up cold storage units at every taluk in the state. Speaking on the occasion, Chairman of Karnataka Krishi Mission Dr. S. A. Patil suggested that agriculture and horticulture universities along with experienced farmers should conduct research on farmers fields. Shri Narayanas Bhandge, MLC, Bagalkot, Dr. S. B. Dandin, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, UHS, Bagalkot, Dr. J. V. Goud, Former Vice Chancellor, UAS, Dharwad, Dr. B. V. Patil, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, UAS, Raichur, Dr. Isabella Xevier, Shri. Samapat Samrajya, Shri.

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On the eve of third Foundation Day of the university, First *Totagarika mela*- 2011 was organized successfully by the University of Horticultural Sciences, Bagalkot with the cooperation of development departments viz. Agriculture, Horticulture, Watershed, Agriculture Marketing, Sericulture, Forestry, Fisheries, Veterinary and other institutes viz. IIHR, Bangalore, DCCD, Cochin, KAPPEC, HOPCOMS, KSHMA, NHM, NHB, IFFCO, KFRC, Banks and Krishik Samaj, at Udyanagiri for three days from November 22<sup>nd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> 2011, Shri Basavalinga Swamiji of Shirur and Shri Shivkumar swamiji of Kapotgiri inaugurated the foundation day ceremony of UHS, Bagalkot on 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov. 2011 and graced the occasion. Shri Veeranna Charantimath, MLA,





## TRAININGS

### District Level Training On Onion Storage and Storage Structure Demonstration



One day district level training programme on **Onion Storage and Storage structure demonstration** was organized on 5<sup>th</sup> November 2011 under RKVY project at Shri Narendra Reddy and Shri Anand Reddy fields of Mallapur village, Jagalur Tq, Davangere Dist. The programme was inaugurated by Shri S V Ramachandrappa, MLA Jagalur and Chairman of Hatti Gold mines. Dr M. S. Kulakarni, Dean Kittur Rani Channmma College of Horticulture Arabhavi presided over the function, Shri Kadaregowda, DDH Davangere, Dr . J. Mahantesh, Professor, COH Hiriyyur, were the chief guests for inaugural function of the training programme.

The function was organized by Dr. Laxman Kukanoor Principal Investigator of RKVY project. Technical information was

provided by him and Dr. P Umamaheshwarappa Assistant Professor RHREC, Hiriyyur. About 300 farmers of different taluks of Davangere participated in the training.

### Production and Protection Technology of spice crops (cardamom, pepper and ginger)



Three days training programme on Production and Protection Technology of spice crops (cardamom, pepper and ginger) was organized on 17-11-2011 from 19-11-2011 at Horticulture Extension Unit, Mudigere. The scientists from the College of Horticulture, Mudigere and RHREC trained the farmers on various aspects of production and protection of spice crops.



Dr. M. S. Lokesh, Station Head inaugurated and addressed farmers about diseases of arecanut, black pepper, cardamom, banana on the occasion of Agriculture Workshop (Krishi Karyagara) organised by Sonda Seva Sahakari Sangha, Sonda, Sirsi, Uttara Kannada on 19. 11. 11.

### VISITS



Comptroller UHS, Bagalkot Sri S.G. Antin visited the Potato field at Dharwad on 02.10.2011 and discussed about budget requirement of the centre .

### MOU & CONSENT

#### UHS, Bagalkot signs the Letter of Consent for partnering with Regional Centers of Expertise (RCE)

University of Horticultural Sciences, Bagalkot signed the letter of Consent for partnering with the Regional Centres of Expertise (RCE) which is acknowledged by the United Nations University and Institute of Advanced Studies (UNU - IAS), Japan and partnered by many other prestigious institutions from business houses, research and educational organizations and civil societies in the country aiming to contributing for the sustainable development related to education and action programs involving specific target groups.

#### UHS, Bagalkot signs MOU with Central Plantation Crops Research Institute (CPCRI) Kasargod

University of Horticultural Sciences, Bagalkot signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Central Plantation Crops Research Institute (CPCRI) Kasargod. The MOU aims at utilization of the expertise and facilities available at both institutes for promoting horticultural research and training apart from facilitating postgraduate research work of the scholars from UHS, Bagalkot at CPCRI Kasargod



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Veeranna Mattikatti, Dr. R. C. Hallikeri, Dr. M. C. Sudhakar, Hon'ble Members of Board of Management, UHS, Bagalkot, Smt. Kavita Daddennavar, President Zilla Panchayat, and Shri. Hoovappa Rathod, Vice President, Zilla Panchayat Bagalkot, all the officers of university and state departments, achievers farmers were present.

Shri Shivalingeshwar Mahaswamiji of Nidasoshi and Shri. Siddalingeshwar Swamiji of Shirur. inaugurated the Totagarika mela -2011 on 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov. 2011 Dr. R. R. Hanchinal, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, UAS, Dharwad, Dr. S. B. Dandin, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, UHS, Bagalkot, Dr. R. C. Hallikeri and Shri. Samapat Samrajya, Hon'ble Members of Board of Management, UHS, Bagalkot, Dr. J. H. Kulkarni and Dr. J. V. Gouda, Former Vice Chancellor, UAS, Dharwad inaugurated the stalls. Dr. Y. K. Kotikal, Director of Extension, Dr. J. Venkatesh, Director of Research, UHS, Bagalkot were present on this occasion. Folders on different topics of horticulture were released by the dignitaries for the benefit of the farming community.

Horticulture industry, Horticulture based integrated farming system, soil fertility and water conservation, high-tech horticulture, integrated farming system were the main themes



of the technical sessions conducted in the "farmer to farmer" programme for three days, witnessing a very high level of participation by farmers.

The scores of farmers from various parts of the state arrived to the mela and participated in the interaction programme. There were 112 stalls set up for giving the latest technologies on fruits, vegetables, flowers, farm equipments, post harvest technology. Input agencies exhibited their products at the "mela", and attracted the attention of the farmers. Information on various seeds, pesticides, farm equipments, seedlings and agriculture products was given to the farmers at the consultancy cell. Exhibition of flowers, fruits and vegetables was a major attraction at the mela.

A replica of Kudala Sangam Aikymantapa of Basavanna made out of various flowers drawn the attention of people who visited the mela. Besides, replica of the Jnanapita awardees, social reformers like Basavanna, Akkamahadevi and musician Gangubai Hangal carved out of watermelon were eye catching exhibits at the flower and fruit show in the mela.

The valedictory function was held on 24<sup>th</sup> November 2011. Shri Aadrush Mriunthanjaya Mahaswamiji, Kudala Sangama, Shri Revanasidda Mahaswamiji of Teekinmath, Bagalkot graced the function. Shri Veeranna Mattikatti, MLC, Shri S. R. Patil, MLC, Dr. Isabella Xevier, Member of Board of Management, UHS, Bagalkot, Dr. Baburao Mudabi, Commissioner of Agriculture and Dr. K. V. Sarvesh, Director of Agriculture, Govt. of Karnataka, Dr. S. B. Dandin, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, UHS, Bagalkot, Dr. Y. K. Kotikal, Director of Extension and Dr. J. Venkatesh, Director of Research, UHS, Bagalkot, were on the dais. Officers of UHS Bagalkot, Development departments and other organizations were present. "Shreshta Krishika" and "Shreshta Krishi Mahile" awards were distributed to nine outstanding farmers and farm women of various districts of the state. The mela was a grand success witnessed by 80,000 people from various parts of the state.



### Ad hoc - Research Project Sanctioned

Title of the Project	Name of the PI & Co - PI	Duration	Amount (lakhs)	Funding Agency
01 Vegetable seed production	Dr. Somashekar I. Athani, Special Officer, RHREC, Dharwad (Kumbapur)	one year	3.00	National Horticulture Mission
02 Advanced centre for Orchids	Dr. Ashok Alur Special Officer (PPMC), UHS, Bagalkot	5 years	60.00	Vision Group Govt. of Karnataka





## YOUTH FESTIVAL

Youth festival -2011 was organized by the College of Horticulture, Bidar from 21.10.2011 to 23.10.2011



Dr. Suresh Honnappagol, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, KVAFSU, Bidar, inaugurated the youth festival by lighting the lamp on 21-10-2011 in presence of Shri. S. D. Sampat Samrajya and Shri R. C. Hallikeri, Members of Board of Management, UHS Bagalkot. Dr. A. B. Patil, Registrar, UHS Bagalkot, Dr. M. B. Madalgeri, DSW, UHS Bagalkot, Shri Sharanappa, Joint Director of Agriculture, Bidar and Shri. Eshwarappa Chakote, President, organic growers association, Bidar, Dr. S. I. Hanamashetti, and other Deans, were present on the occasion. Mr. Praveen Naikodi, Convenor, youth festival and Mr. Suryakant Biradar conducted the programme.

During valedictory programme of youth festival on 23.10.2011, Dr. C. Devakumar, ADG (Education), ICAR, New Delhi gave away the trophy to the students of COH, Kolar Team. The programme was presided by Shri. Baburao Mudabi, Commissioner of Agriculture, Govt. of Karnataka, Bangalore. Dr. V. G. Andani, President, The Ideal Fine Art Society, Gulbarga, Dr. S. B. Dandin, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, UHS, Bagalkot, Dr. B. Raju, Dean (PGS), Dr. A. B. Patil, Registrar, Dr. Y. K. Kotikal, Director of Extension, UHS, Bagalkot were the guests of honour on the occasion and gave away the Trophies/ prizes to the winners. Dr. M. B. Madalgeri, DSW, UHS, Bagalkot, Dr. S. I. Hanamashetti, Dean, COH Bidar and all deans of Horticulture colleges were present on the dais.



### AWARD

The Members of Board of Management and Registrar of University of Horticultural Sciences, Bagalkot, met his excellency the Governor of Karnataka Dr. Hans Raj Bhardwaj and invited him for the First convocation of the University of Horticultural Sciences, Bagalkot.

Dr. Laxman Kukanoor, Associate professor, KRCCH, Arabhavi received Shiksha Rattan Puraskar from by Sri. Sayed Sibtey Razi, Former Governor of Assam and Jharkand and Sri. Joginder Singh, Former Director, CBI, Govt. of India for his outstanding achievements in the field of Post Harvest Technology of Horticulture crops at New Delhi on 12<sup>th</sup> October 2011.

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