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Best Krishi Vigyan Kendra Award 2017 for KVK, Dharmapuri



Dharmapuri KVK was awarded with the Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyay Rastriya Krishi Vigyan Protsahan Puraskar Award for 2017. Dr.H. Philip, Director of Extension Education *i/c*, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore and Dr.P.S.Shanmugam, Programme Co-ordinator, Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Dharmapuri received the award from the Honorable Prime Minister Shri. Narendra Modi during the Krishi Unnati Mela held at New Delhi on 17.03.2018.

Cashew Training at KVK, Vamban

Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Vamban organized three day training programme on Cashew Production Technologies from 06.03.2018 to 08.03.2018. The training sponsored by DCCD, Cochin was inaugurated by Dr. K. Sivasubramaniam, Dean, AC & RI, Kudumiyamalai and released pamphlets on



cashew production, cashew varieties, pest and disease management and value addition. Technical sessions were held on cashew production technologies, Soil and Water Management, Bio Fertilizers, Micronutrients, Pest and Disease Management, Post harvest Technology, Schemes of Horticulture department. Practical classes on Foliar spray of nutrients, Pruning and Grafting techniques and exposure visit to Cashew Processing unit and cashew fields were organized. Earlier Dr. M.R.Latha, PC welcomed the gathering and Dr. G.Prabu Kumar, proposed formal vote of thanks.

Cambridge English Assessment for students

The first year students of TNAU main campus underwent a week long English course by trained faculty and they took the BULATS (Business Language Testing Services) assessment conducted by Cambridge English in association with



University of Cambridge. The training and assessments were conducted in batches. The BULATS' modular format tests of all four language skills: Reading, Listening, Speaking and Writing. The highest grade obtained was C2, the upper advanced level. The programme was conducted by the Directorate of Students Welfare.

Webcasting of Krishi Unnati Mela by Needamangalam KVK



Training and awareness programme on Protection of Plant Varieties and Farmers Right Act and web cast of National Conference of KVKs was organized at KVK Needamangalam on 17.03.2018. Th.D.Nakkiran, Farm Manager of KVK, Thiruvarur welcomed the gathering. Er. K.P. Panneer selvam Executive Engineer (AE), Thiruvarur inaugurated the exhibition and chaired the function. Th.Kalyana

sundaram, DD(GOI), Department of Agriculture, Thiruvarur delivered special address. Thiru Batric Jasper, District Development Manager, NABARD, Thiruvarur explained the various schemes available at NABARD for the benefit of farming community. In addition, the webcasting of inaugural address by the Hon'ble Prime Minister to farmers during National Conference of KVKs was arranged.

Hi-Tech Production Training and Post - harvest Technologies for Turmeric



The Department of Spices and Plantation Crops, HC & RI, Coimbatore in collaboration with Agricultural Research Station, Bhavanisagar conducted one day farmers training for 100 numbers of turmeric farmers at ARS, Bhavanisagar on 20.03.2018 under GOI-CSS-MIDH programme. Dr. S. Balakrishnan, Professor and Head, Dept. of Spices and Plantation Crops, HC & RI, Coimbatore welcomed the trainees. Dr. N.K. Prabhakaran, Professor and Head, Agricultural Research Station, Bhavanisagar offered felicitations. The Scientists of the Dept. of Spices and Plantation Crops, HC & RI, Coimbatore viz., Dr.S. Balakrishnan, Professor and Head, Dr. A. Ramar, Professor

(Hort.), Dr. B. Senthamizhselvi, Asst. Professor (Hort.), and Dr. C. Ushamalini, Asst. Professor (Pl. Path) delivered the technical speeches. Dr. P. Hemalatha Asst. Professor (Hort.) demonstrated the technology of production of turmeric transplants using protraits. Dr. A. Ramar, Professor (Horticulture) proposed the formal vote of thanks.

World Water Day Celebration - 2018



Water Technology Centre, TNAU, organized the International World Water Day on 24.03.2018. Dr.A.Raviraj, Professor (SWCE), WTC, delivered the welcome address. Dr. B. J. Pandian, Director *i/c*, WTC, narrated briefly about the importance of World Water Day Mr.S.S.Vaseeharan, District Development Manager, NABARD, Coimbatore explained about how to save the water for future generation. Er.S.Sivalingam, Deputy Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, WRO, Coimbatore gave a special speech. Competitions were conducted for TNAU students in the theme “Nature for Water”. Dr.G.Senthilkumar, Assistant Professor (Agronomy), WTC, proposed the vote of thanks.

National Group Meet-on Forage – Kharif, 2018



National Group Meet – Kharif, 2018 of All India Coordinated Research Project on Forage Crops and Utilization was held at Tamil Nadu Agricultural University. The programme was organized by Dr. C. Babu, Professor and Head, Department of Forage Crop in co-ordination with ICAR, New Delhi. Dr. K. Ramasamy, Vice-Chancellor, TNAU presided and briefed the importance of forages and animal husbandry in Indian economy. Dr. I. S. Solanki, ADG (FFC) ICAR, New Delhi delivered special address. Dr. R.V. Kumar, Director, ICAR- IGFRI, Jhansi spoke. Dr. A. K. Roy, Project Coordinator AICRP on Forage Crops and Utilization, ICAR-IGFRI, Jhansi, presented project coordinator’s report. Dr. K. Ramaraju, Director of Research and Dr. K. Ganesamurthy, Director, CPBG, TNAU, Coimbatore delivered welcome address and vote of thanks, respectively.

Acid lime cultivation Training for Tribal people of Karaiyar, Tirunelveli District.

One day training programme on `Acid lime cultivation` for Tribal people of Karaiyar, Tirunelveli District was organized by Citrus Research Station, Sankarankoil on 21.3.2018.



Totally, 25 tribal participated in the training programme. Dr. S. Arumugasamy, Professor and Head, RRS, Ambasamudram, inaugurated and delivered presidential address. Resource persons Dr.S.Muthulakshmi, Dr.P.Nainar and Dr.K.Sundharaiya from CRS, Sankarankoil and Dr.M.A.K.Pillai and Dr.N.Rajanimala from RRS, Ambasamudram handled sessions on various topics. The above training programme was organized by Dr.S.Muthulakshmi, Professor and Head, Citrus Research Station, Sankarankoil in coordination with Th.Mathan of Sister Niveditha Mission Trust, Tirunelveli under the NABARD scheme on Tribal people welfare programme.

Skill development training on Gardener



The HRS, Ooty organized a Government of India sponsored 25 days skill development training programme on 'Gardener' from 22.02.2018 to 18.03.2018. The training was conducted as part of the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) of the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE), with financial support from the Directorate of Arecanut and Spices Development, Calicut. Dr. B. Anita, Professor and Head, HRS welcomed gathering and Dr. M. Jawaharlal, Dean *i/c* (Horticulture) of the HC & RI, Coimbatore delivered the Inaugural Address. Dr. V. Swaminathan, Dean *i/c* of the HC & RI, Periyakulam delivered the Special Address.

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