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The Editor,

Sir,

I request that the following matter may kindly be published in your esteemed daily:

National Science Day'19 at TNAU

National Science Day 2019 was celebrated on 28th February at Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore. The program was organized by Centre for Plant Molecular Biology & Biotechnology at Anna Auditorium, TNAU, Coimbatore. A Science Exhibition was held as part of National Science Day celebrations.

Dr. T. Raguchander, Dean (Students Welfare), TNAU, Coimbatore inaugurated the Science Exhibition. A Popular Science Lecture was delivered by Prof. M.R.N. Murthy, INSA-Senior Scientist, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore on the theme "Science for the People and the People for Science". He highlighted the role of science in social life, defense area and emphasized to believe in science and to apply science in day today activities.

Dr. D. Uma, Professor and Head of Biochemistry department delivered a welcome address and an introductory note was given by Dr. S. Mohankumar, Director, Centre for Plant Molecular Biology and Biotechnology, TNAU.

A total of 350 students participated in the popular science lecture and 75 students participated in the exhibition and won prizes. Mockup models were displayed in the areas like light fidelity, descriptive agriculture, CRISPR-Cas9 technology, plant tissue culture, automated irrigation system, sewage treatment, smart city, bacterial transformation and recombinant DNA technology.

Vote of Thanks was given by Dr. R. Gnanam, Professor and Head, Department of Plant Biotechnology.

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