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To The Editor, Sir,

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

## Vice-Chancellor Inaugurates New Units at TNAU

Dr. V. Geethalakshmi, Vice-Chancellor, TNAU inaugurated the Automated Layer Feeding Unit at Veterinary and Animal Sciences Unit and Paddy Processing Unit at Central Farm, Department of Agronomy, TNAU Coimbatore on 02.8.2022 in the presence of Dr.M.K.Kalarani, The Director, Crop Management and Dr.S.Pannerselvam, The Professor and Head, Department Agronomy, TNAU, Coimbatore.

The Automated Layer Feeding Unit will dispense accurate quantum of feed to the birds in a hygienic way, saving the labour and time. Further it reduces the feed wastage and helps in economical maintenance of layer farm. This unit will act as instructional model for undergraduate student of TNAU and students visiting from various colleges and school across the country. The state of art system can also be used by the research scholars of the university. Above all the farmers and trainees will also get first hand information on automatic feeding system. The cost for establishment of this unit id Rs.9.0 lakhs (Rupees nine lakhs only) under ERDF fund of TNAU.

And Paddy Seed Processing Unit is established under Revolving Fund Scheme ICAR –mega seed project (ICAR-MSP/RF) with a budget outlay of Rs 9.96 lakhs. This automated unit can be used for processing and grading all the varieties of paddy, pulses, green manures, oil seeds and millets.

During this occasion The Dean, Centre for Students Welfare, The Director, Agribusiness Development, The Director, Seed centre, The Professor and Heads of Agronomy, Agro Climatic Research Centre, Nammazhavar Organic Farming Research Centre, Crop Physiology also graced the occasion. Dr.M.Thirunavukkarsu, Asst.Prof. (V&AS) & Dr.S.Krishnakumar, Asst.Prof. (V&AS) detailed the nuances of the system.

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