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To
The Editor,
Sir,

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

Gudimangalam Farmers Producer Company Limited, Tiruppur visits TNAU

Gudimangalam Farmers Producer Company Limited, Tiruppur visited the Department of Plant Biotechnology, TNAU, Coimbatore on March 27, 2025. In an effort to explore and adopt modern scientific techniques in agriculture, a delegation of around 37 coconut farmers belonging to the Gudimangalam Farmers Producer Company Limited (FPC) recently visited the Department of Plant Biotechnology at Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore on March 27, 2025.

The visit aimed to gain first-hand knowledge of cutting-edge tissue culture methods for coconut and banana cultivation. The session was handled by Dr. B. Rajagopal and Dr. R. Renuka, Professor, Department of Plant Biotechnology who provided detailed insights into the application of tissue culture technology, highlighting its numerous advantages.

During the interactive discussion, the farmers learned about the tissue-culture procedures, economic viability of using tissue-culture plants over local varieties. The farmers were also appraised of the on-going research work at the Department of Plant Biotechnology and also received feed-back from the farmers on their needs.

A spokesperson for the Gudimangalam Farmers Producer Company Limited remarked, “This visit has been a valuable learning experience. We have a better understanding of how tissue culture can be integrated into our farming practices to produce healthier and more robust plant stock. We look forward to collaborating further with the Biotechnology Department to implement these techniques in our region. The event was coordinated by Dr. N. Senthil, Director, Centre for plant Molecular Biology & biotechnology and Dr. L. Arul, Professor & Head, Department of Plant Biotechnology.

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