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To
The Editor,

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Sir,

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

State Government sponsored training on Landscaping and Floriculture in TNAU

The Department of Floriculture and Landscaping of the Horticultural College and Research Institute, TNAU, Coimbatore is organizing a Training Programme on 'Landscaping and Floriculture' for a duration of 21 days from 8-12-2015 to 31-12-2015. The training is sponsored by the Entrepreneurship Development Institute, Chennai, Government of Tamil Nadu with the objective of encouraging entrepreneurship in the areas of commercial floriculture and landscaping. The inauguration of this training was held today (8-12-2015) at TNAU Coimbatore.

The above training programme was inaugurated on 8-12-2015 by the Deputy Director of Horticulture, Coimbatore Th. A. Ramakrishnan. After introduction of about 30 trainees by themselves, Dr. M. Kannan, Professor and Head, Department of Floriculture and Landscaping explained on the gist of training programme to be held for over three weeks.

During the training programme, the trainees will be exposed to the various avenues in the Floriculture Industry including production of cut flowers, loose flowers, planting materials, seeds and bulbs, landscaping, micro propagation of flower and ornamental plants, potted plants and value addition. Hands-on-training will be given on nursery technology of commercial flower and ornamental crops, production technology of jasmine, marigold, scented rose, cut rose, tuberose, gladiolus, anthurium, orchids, chrysanthemum and gerbera, greenhouse construction and maintenance, principles and styles of gardening, garden components, lawn making and maintenance, mechanization in floriculture and landscaping dry flower technology, plant protection in flower and ornamental crops and value addition with flowers.

Exposure visits will be arranged for the trainees to private nurseries and landscape units. The trainees will be guided in preparation of bankable projects with the help of resource persons from financial institutions like Bank and MSME (Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises). The trainees will be given certificates of participation.

Dr. S. Mariappan, Dean, Horticultural College and Research Institute, TNAU, Coimbatore welcomed the trainees. Dr. M. Ganga, Asst. Professor (Hort.), TNAU proposed a formal vote of thanks.

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