

MPKV HAPPENINGS

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AGRI-BIZZ-2014 organized in Pune



AGRI-BIZZ-2014, a National Seminar on Global Opportunities in Agricultural Entrepreneurship/Business (GOAEB) was organized by the State Agriculture Universities of Maharashtra in co-ordination with the Journal of Agriculture Research and Technology, Pune and Maharashtra Agro Industries Development Corporation. Dr. C.D. Mayee, Ex-Chairman, ASRB, New Delhi was the Chief Guest, while, Dr. Shivajirao Deshmukh, Director General, VSI, Pune was the Special Guest on this occasion. Vice-Chancellor Dr. T.A. More presided over the function. Dr. K.E. Lawande, Vice-Chancellor, DBSKKV, Dapoli, Dr. R.G. Dani, Vice-Chancellor, Dr.PDKV, Akola, Dr. B. Venkateshwarlu, Vice-Chancellor, VNMKV, Parbhani, Dr.B.R. Ulmek, Convener and Dean, Faculty of Agriculture and Dr. S.D. Gorantiwar, Chief Editor, JART, Pune and all the Director of SAUs were present on the dias. In his address Dr. C.D. Mayee applauded the contribution of SAUs in increasing the foodgrain production of the country. He emphasized on imparting entrepreneurial abilities among the farmers especially in Agril. Processing which will raise their income level. The Agricultural and allied graduates need to increase their communication skills and come forward for establishing agriculture related businesses, he opined. Vice-Chancellor Dr. T.A. More in his presidential address hoped for more confidence building in Agril. Entrepreneurs. Skilled manpower is required for the industry, he said. The SAUs are taking efforts for increasing food grain production which will lead to higher economic returns to the farmers. Dr. Deshmukh and all Vice-Chancellor also put forth their views. Dr. B.R.Ulmek, Convener proposed vote of thanks. Miss. Lavina anchored the programme. Former Vice-Chancellors Dr. S.S Magar, Dr. V. M. Mayande, Dr. V. M. Pawar, Dr. R.O.Patil, Chairman, Nirmal Seed Company, Dr. Shankarrao Raut, Technical Advisor, Maharashtra State Medicinal Plant Board, Pune, scientists, Agril. Graduate/entrepreneurs and students participated in the National Seminar.

National Workshop on Pomegranate



A National Workshop on Pomegranate was organized by the National Research Centre for Pomegranate, Solapur and Society for Advancement of Research on Pomegranate. Vice-Chancellor Dr. T.A. More, presided over the function. In his presidential address Dr. More emphasized the need for utilizing bio-technology research in production of new varieties of pomegranate which will be resistant to oily spot and other diseases. The SAUs are trying hard for encountering this problem, he said. Dr. R.K. Paul, Director, NRC for Pomegranate, Solapur gave the introductory remarks. Dr. V.T Jadhav, Ex-Director, NRC, Dr. D.P. Waskar, Director of Research, VNMKV, Parbhani and Shri. Prabhakar Chandne, Chairman, Pomegranate Growers Association also addressed the participants.

Training Programme organized



The university scientists Dr. Vishnu Narwade, Dr. Mahendra Yadav and Dr. Dilip Deokar gave presentations. Dr. Rahul Desale anchored the programme, while, Dr. Uddhav Bhoite expressed thanks. More than 90 animal husbandry supervisors participated in this training programme.

Visit to Hi-Tech Farming



Dr. K.D. Kokate, Director of Extension Education visited the Hi-Tech Vegetable experimental farming in Chorwad village of Parola taluka in Jalgaon district. The scheme is implemented by Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Mamurabad. Addressing the farmers on this occasion Dr. Kokate praised the efforts of farmers for adopting this technology. He said that farmers need to go for diversified farming for minimizing the risks in Agriculture. For this, the group approach and regular interactions between farmers and scientists needs to be increased, he said. Dr. Sudam Patil, Oilseed Specialist, ORS, Jalgaon, Dr. Sanjeev Patil, Cotton Breeder, Dr. Narendra Deshmukh, SMS, KVK, Mamurabad and farmers were present on this occasion.

Tribal Farmers trained on Seed Production



An off camps training programme on seed production was organized by the Seed Production Unit of MPKV, Rahuri for the tribal farmers in Varanghushi village of Akole taluka of Ahemdnagar district. In his address Dr. M.B.Dhonde, Chief Scientist, Seed stressed for expansion of Seed Production programme in order to produce quality seed. The tribal farmers will certainly benefit from this activity, he hoped. The university scientists Dr. C. B. Salunkhe, Mr. Suresh Zhanjre, Dr. Sanjay Gawade and Dr. Ganesh Bansode guided the farmers. Improved seed of gram was distributed to 366 tribal farmers on this occasion.

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