MPKV HAPPENINGS November, 2017



Alumini Meet of Dr. ASCAE & T



November 20, 2017. An Alumini Meet of Association of Alumini Agricultural Engineers was organized on the occasion of Golden Jubilee Year Celebration of Dr. Annasaheb Shinde College of Agricultural, Engineering & Technology. Vice Chancellor Dr. K. P. Viswanatha presided over the function. Prof. Ian Smout, Former Director, Water Engg. Development Centre, UK delivered a lecture on Water Security for Developing Countries. In his presentation, he gave the key dimensions viz., household water security, economic water security, urban water security, environmental water security and Resilence to water

related disasters. He said that India's ground water extraction is largest in the World. Vice Chancellor Dr. K. P. Viswanatha underlined the importance of water security. He said that this aspect is as important as food and nutritional security. Dr. D. D. Pawar, Associate Dean welcomed the guests. Dr. S.D.Gorantiwar introduced the chief guest. Dr. S. A. Kadam anchored the programme. Dr. M. G. Shinde proposed thanks.

21 days Training Programme organized under CAFT

November 1-21, 2017. A 21 days training programme under Center for Advanced Faculty Training (CAFT) was organized by the Department of Horticulture on Recent advances in improvement and production technology of arid zone fruit crops. Dr. S. R. Gadakh, DOR inaugurated the training programme. In his address he hoped for acquiring of knowledge and skill on recent advances in arid zone fruit crops. He expressed that the trainees will help to educate and transfer the technology to the farmers. Dr. R. S. Patil, Associate Dean, LAE took an overview of the achievements of the department in fruit and vegetable research. Dr. S. R. Ranpise, Head, Dept. of



Horticulture put forth the objectives of training programme in his introductory remarks. Dr. A. M. Musmade expressed thanks. Dr. Mrs. Sumati Dighe anchored the programme. Trainees from various states participated in the programme.

Inauguration of Training Programme on Soil Health

November 2, 2017. A training programme on Determination of Nitrogen, Sulphur and Boron for preparation of Soil Health Card was inaugurated by Dr. S. R. Gadakh, DOR, MPKV, Rahuri. The programme was organize in



coordination with Department of Agriculture. In his inaugural address Dr. Gahakh underlined the importance of soil health for sustainable crop production. He said that the farmers need to adopt the fertilizer prescription equation based on soil test. The chief guest Shri Pandit Lonare, DSAO, Ahmednagar. In his address he stressed the need for awareness of integrated nutrient management among the farmers. Dr. Ashok Kadlag, Head, Dept. of SS & AC welcomed the guests, participants and gave the introductory remarks. A publication on training manual was released on this occasion. Dr. S.

R. Shelke anchored the programme, while, Dr. P. P. Kadu expressed thanks.

Valedictory Programme of Soil Health

November 6, 2017. The valedictory programme of training programme on Determination of Nitrogen, Sulphur and Boron for preparation of Soil Health Card was organized under the chairmanship of Dr. K. D. Kokate, DEE, MPKV, Rahuri. In his address Dr. Kokate said that as per the Govt. policy, we have to double the farm income by 2022. For this purpose soil health is an important component. Farmers need to analyze their soils before crop cultivation. He informed that in Maharashtra there are 197 soil testing labs, so farmers need to take its advantage. Dr.



Ashok Kadlag, Head, Dept. of SS & AC briefed about the three day training programme. Dr. M.R. Chauhan anchored the programme, while, Dr. S. R. Shelke expressed thanks.

Mahatma Phule Punyatithi



November 28, 2017. Mahatma Phule Punyatithi was observed in the University. Shri Uttam Kamble, Editor-Director, Sakal delivered a lecture on the life of Mahatma Phule. Dr. K. D. Kokate, Director, Extention Education presided over the function. Shri Kamble said that Mahatma Phule understood the value of education. He started the first woman school in Pune despite various hurdles. He fought for the development of the society. Dr. Kokate in his speech threw light on the contribution of Mahatma Phule for the welfare of farmers. Dr. S. R. Gadakh, Director of Research gave the introductory remarks. Comptroller Shri. Vijay Kote introduced the

chief guest. Student Vishal Patil anchored the programme, while, University Engg. Shri. Milink Dhoke Expressed thanks.

Fish fingerlings distribution programme under ICAR FFP





November 27, 2017. The fish fingerlings distribution programme was organized under ICAR Farmer FIRST programme at Chinchvihire village in Ahmednagar district. Dr. K. D. Kokate, Director, Extension Education, while, addressing the farmers, said that fishery provides sustainable livelihood to the farmers. It is a good activity for doubling farmers income. Nutritional security can also be achieved through fishery, he said. Dr. S. R. Gadakh, Director of Research hoped that the fishery component is important for integrated farming system. Dr. P. B. Kharde, PI gave the introductory remarks. Dr. B. A. Deshmukh, Co PI anchored the programme, while, Dr. S. S. Sadaphal, Co PI proposed thanks. Comptroller Shri. Vijay Kote, Shri. Jagtap, Deputy Director, ATMA, Shri. Namdeo Rokade, TAO, Shri Raibhan Gaikwad, Agril. Officer were present for the programme.

Capacity Building Programme under ICAR FFP



November 14, 2017. A Capacity building programme on Farm Pond Fishery and Gram Production Technology was organized at Chinchvihire village under ICAR Farmer FIRST Programme by MPKV, Rahuri in coordination with Agriculture Dept. Former Asstt. Commissioner (Fishery) Shri. Rajendra Dangre guided the farmers on Farm Pond Fishery. He said that fishery is an important subsidiary occupation through which farmers can get additional returns. Shri. Abhay Chaudhary guided on feed management of fish. Prof. Laxman Mhase delivered lecture on

Gram Production Technology. He guided on water management, pest and disease management and seed certification. Dr. P. B. Kharde, PI of the project gave introductory remarks. Dr. B. A. Deshmukh anchored the programme, while, Dr. S. S. Sadaphal proposed thanks. Seed of Digvijay variety of gram was provided to the farmers.