

MPKV HAPPENINGS

November, 2016



Vice Chancellor Dr. K.P. Viswanatha felicitated with Best Scientist Award



November 19, 2016. Vice Chancellor Dr. K.P. Viswanatha was felicitated with Best Scientist of the Year 2016 Award by the National Environmental Science Academy (NESA), New Delhi for his contribution to Agriculture. Dr. Viswanatha received the award during the National Conference on Food Security Issues and Environmental Challenges for Indian Agriculture in the Next Decades jointly organized by NESA and Dolphin, College of Science and Agriculture, Chandigarh at Punjab University, Chandigarh. Vice Chancellor Dr. Viswanatha has initiated the cleanliness campaign in the university.

He has called for Clean University Green University campaign.

Accreditation accorded to MPKV, Rahuri

November 18, 2016. The National Agricultural Education Accreditation Board (NAEAB) of Indian Council of Agricultural Research, New Delhi has granted accreditation to the Mahatma Phule Krishi Vidyapeeth, Rahuri for the period of two years. Based on the action taken report submitted by the University in response to the remarks of the Board and subsequent observations of the Sectoral Committees the NAEAB of ICAR in its meeting held on 26th October, 2016 has granted accreditation to MPKV, Rahuri. This was communicated by DDG (Agriculture Education), ICAR, New Delhi to Vice Chancellor, MPKV, Rahuri.

Training Programme for Gopalak organized



November 21, 2016. A one day training programme for Gopalak (cattle rearers) was organized by the University in collaboration with Zilla Parishad, Ahmednagar. In her presidential address Mrs. Manjusha Gund, President, Zilla Parishad, Ahmednagar underlined the importance of dairy enterprise in agriculture sector. She said that fodder management is a major component for profitable dairy business. Shri. Anil Kawde, Collector, Ahmednagar while guiding the farmers said that demonstrations on forage production need to be organized in villages. Dr. K.D. Kokate, Director of Extension Education said that the area under forage crops which in at present 4 per cent need to be increased. A Forage Hub is required

for this purpose, he said. Shri. Sharad Navle, *Sabhapati*, Agriculture and Animal Husbandry committee briefed about the training programme. Dr. B.R. Ulmek, Dean, F/A, Shri. Ravidra Binvade, CEO and Dr. Bharat Rathod, District Animal Husbandry Officer also guided the trainees. Dr. U.V. Bhoite, Head, Department of ASDS gave the introductory remarks. Dr. R.J. Desale anchored the programme.

Mahatma Phule Anniversary celebrated



November 19, 2016. Mahatma Phule Anniversary was celebrated in the university. Dr. Shivajirao Devdhe, Principal, Takli Dhokeshwar College, Dist. Ahmednagar while speaking on the life of Mahatma Phule said that Jyotiba started the programme of women education. He understood the importance of education and took efforts for educating the women. Dr. Devdhe further highlighted the values of Jyotiba in the present context. Dr. D.B. Yadav, Head, Department of Agricultural Economics in his presidential address narrated the great work of Jyotiba Phule for the downtrodden and farmers. He said that the common man called him the Mahatma. Students Shri. Pratapsingh Chavan anchored the programme, while, Shri. Harshal Yadav proposed thanks. Dr. Mahavirsingh Chavan introduced the chief guest. Dr.M.B. Dhonde, Head, Department of Agronomy, Dr. R.S. Wagh, Student Welfare Officer, staff and students were present for the programme.

Dr. Kokate felicitated with *Jeevan Gaurav* Award



November 19, 2016. Dr. K.D. Kokate, Director of Extension Education was felicitated with *Jeevan Gaurav* award by Agroworld at Jalgaon for his contribution to agriculture. He was felicitated at the hands of famous poet Shri. N.D. Mahanor in the Agriculture exhibition organized by Agroworld at Jalgaon. Dr. Kokate has contributed significantly for extension education in the country. In his capacity as DDG (Agril. Extn.), ICAR, New Delhi Dr. Kokate has planned and implemented innovative reforms in KVK system. During his tenure the Zonal Project Directorates have been upgraded to Agriculture Technology Application Research Institutes and their numbers has also increased from eight to eleven.

Farmers Rally organized



November 11, 2016. A farmers rally was organized by MPKV, Rahuri in collaboration with Department of Agriculture and ATMA, Ahmednagar on the farm of progressive farmer Shri. Bhausahab Yeole in Rahuri. Dr. K.D. Kokate, Director of Extension Education in his presidential address said that the University's Central Sugarcane Research Station, Padegaon has released many high yielding varieties and production technologies of sugarcane. The University released Phule-265 variety of sugarcane is contributing to 35 percent sugarcane area of the state. Dr. R.S. Patil, Director of Research, emphasized the need for adopting new varieties and

technologies developed by the University. Shri. Bhausaheb Barhate, District Superintendent Agriculture Officer, Ahmednagar, Shri. Sambhajirao Gaikwad, Deputy Director, ATMA and Prof. J.B. Shinde also guided the farmers. Shri.Yeole shared his farm experiences.The dignitaries and farmers visited his sugarcane nursery. Farmers in large number participated in the farmers rally.

Students success in *Indradhanusha-2016*

November 19, 2016. The students of College of Agriculture, Kolhapur achieved success in the XIVth Maharashtra State Inter University Cultural Youth Festival (*Indradhanusha-2016*) organized at Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada Vidyapeeth, Aurangabad. Similarly, the students Shatanand Lombte, Diksha Gurav and Puja Duduskar bagged the second prize in the Inter University Elocution competition organized at MPKV, Rahuri. Associate Dean Dr. G. G. Khot, Prof. Laxman Aswale and Dr. Sangram Dhumal guided the students.



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