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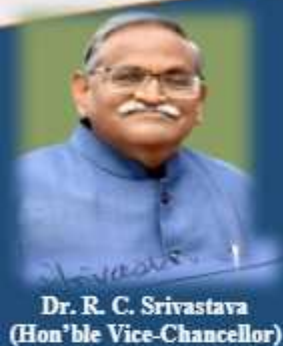
Vice-Chancellor's Message

It was proud moment for me when I unfurled the national flag on 26th January, 2022 the 73rd Republic Day of India. Number of farmers and university employees were awarded with citation and cash prizes for outstanding contribution they made in their respective areas of work. I am sure their contribution will inspire the other farmers and employees of university to excel in their work whatever they are doing and also liberate them from their economic and other limitations.

Further, It was a great honor for me to be the chief guest in the 3rd convocation of Jannayak Chandrashekhar University, Ballia, incidentally which is my hometown too. Seeing the young generation with full of zeal and enthusiasm who are going to be warriors of nation; feel immense satisfaction that nation is going into safe hand. As an academican and research leader, I feel its our moral duties to nurture them for good cause and responsible citizen.

I congratulate my fellow academican and staff at the RPCAU, students and employees of Jannayak Chandrashekhar University for 73rd Republic Day and wishes them all the best in their endeavor for academic, research and extension excellence.

Finally, I am thankful to the God that 3rd wave of COVID is getting mild and now university will get opportunity to work with full capacity which will enhance the teaching and learning efficiency as well as research activities.



Dr. R. C. Srivastava
(Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor)

Vice-Chancellor's Engagements

- Presided over the New Year greeting ceremony at the University Headquarters and Tirhut Agricultural College campus on 01.01.2022.
- Attended virtual address on Online Programme of "10th Installment of PM Kisan Financial Benefit and Farmers" addressed by Hon'ble Prime Minister on 01.01.2022.
- Participated in the coordination meeting for inspection of Parliamentary Committee on Official Language through video conferencing on 03.01.2022.
- Participated in inaugural function of Farm office-cum-Field Laboratory at ICAR- Indian Institute of Floricultural Research, Pune in Virtual Mode on 03.01.2022.
- Participated in the meeting of the State Level Food Security Mission Executive Committee under the National Food Security Mission plan through video conferencing on 10.01.2022.
- Chaired IX Meeting of the Academic Council of RPCAU in Virtual Mode on 13.01.2022.
- Inaugurated the Community Centre, RPCAU, Pusa on 19.01.2022, a facility for social function of university staffs.
- Participated as the Chief Guest in the third convocation of Jannayak Chandrashekhar University, Ballia, Uttar Pradesh on 24.01.2022.
- Attended Live programme of Agriculture Conclave/Krishi Nayak and panel discussion with Zee Hindustan in virtual mode and received "Krishi Nayak Award" on 25.01.2022.
- Unfurled the national flag on 73rd Republic Day of India 26th January, 2022 and addressed university employees. Number of farmers and university employees were awarded with citations and cash prizes for their outstanding contribution in their respective areas.
- Chaired Educational Council Meeting of RPCAU, Pusa on 27.01.2022.
- Participated through video conferencing in discussions on the proposals received from agricultural universities under the Sub Mission on Seed and Planting Material Scheme on 28.01.2022.
- Presented university initiatives and activities being promoted for employment generation in Zee Bihar-Jharkhand Live programme at Hotel Chanakaya, Patna organized on topic: Employment generation on 29.01.2022 in presence of Shri Tarkishore Prasad Ji, Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister, Government of Bihar and Shri Syed Shahnawaz Hussian Ji, Hon'ble Industry Minister, Government of Bihar.



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- **Nav Varsh Milan Samaroh** was celebrated on 1st January at TCA, Dholi campus in the gracious presence of Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Dr. R.C. Srivastava. On this occasion, the Dean TCA, Dholi along with Dean COF, Directors, Seeds & Farm and college scientists, staff members, students, and media personnel were present.
- **College of Agricultural Engineering, RPCAU welcomes** the New Year, 2022 with full enthuse. Dr. Ambrish Kumar Dean, CAE wished a joy and good health to the faculty and staff of CAE. HoDs of all the department, faculty, and staff also greeted each other with best wishes and took an oath to keep scaling new heights of progress and prosperity in the coming year for CAE.
- **Students of 2019-20 batch of TCA, Dholi** successfully organised Fresher Party "Agrasar" for the newly admitted students of TCA, Dholi in the GLT on 9th January 2022. The programme was inaugurated by Dean, TCA, Dholi. All the students, teachers, and staff also participated in the events
- **The 9th Academic Council of the University** held its meeting on 13 January 2022 to discuss and finalize the policy issues for improvement in the academic programme.
- **Tirhut College of Agriculture, Dholi** celebrated 73rd Republic Day with splendor, and the national flag was unfurled by the Dean, Dr. Ashok Kumar Singh with all the staff, students, and scientists.
- **The XIth Education Council meeting** was held on 27th January 2021 to review the ongoing academic activities and to finalize the guidelines for various ongoing academic programmes.
- **On the occasion of Makar Sankranti (14th January)**, Surya Namaskar Programme was organized at TCA, Dholi under NSS activities. Dean, TCA, Dholi and all the teachers and staff actively participated in this programme.
- **A warm farewell function of Dr. Mithilesh Kumar, Director Research, RPCAU, Pusa** has been organised by the Teaching & Research fraternity of TCA, Dholi on 28/01/2022 in recognition of his great work and contribution. Dean, TCA, Dholi graced him with a shawl, memento, and Bouquet and expressed special thanks and wish for his happy post-retirement life. On this occasion, Director Seeds & Farm and faculty members expressed their views about the contribution of Director Research.
- **College of Agricultural Engineering, RPCAU, Pusa** Alumni association organized lecture series of CAE Alumni Dr. Rajnish Ratna, CAE Batch 1995, Associate professor (HR & BRM), Gedu College of Business Studies, Royal University of Bhutan on 29th January 2022. He delivered an insightful and inspiring lecture on the topic "Competency based teaching learning". The lecture series was chaired by Dr. R. C. Srivastava, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, RPCAU Co-chaired by Dr. Ambrish Kumar Dean, CAE, Co-ordinated by Dr. P. K. Pranav, and attended by all the faculties and students.
- **In response to the directions from the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India** and Ministry of Ayush, Government of India, Surya Namaskar was organized by College of Fisheries, Dholi. Scientists, non-teaching staff members, and students practiced Surya Namaskar in this event. The students joined the event virtually in view of current COVID-19 pandemic.



- **University Developed Turmeric Harvester Field Trial** - In the University funded project entitled as 'Mechanization of Turmeric crop through development of sowing and harvesting implement' which is running in the Department of Farm Machinery and Power Engineering of the College of Agricultural Engineering, a turmeric harvester has been developed. Field trial of the implement was conducted in farm of KVK Birauli in presence of the Dean, CAE along with the Project Coordinator and other scientific staffs of KVK, Birauli. The field performance was notably good with negligible amount of damage, missing, and left-over turmeric tuber in the field.
- **High Performing Varieties of Sugarcane developed by RPCAU Promoted to Advanced Varietal Trial at National level.** A meeting of sugarcane Breeders and Plant protection scientists of North-central and North-eastern, North-west and East coast zone was held virtually on 24th January, 2022. Dr. T.R. Sharma, DDG, ICAR was the chief guest and Dr. R.K. Singh, ADG chaired the meeting. Dr. A.D. Pathak, Project Coordinator and Director, IISR, Lucknow, Dr. G. Hem Prabha, Principal Investigator, Crop Improvement and Director, SBI, Coimbatore were present in the meeting. Based on the performance of the initial varietal trial, all the three varieties of sugarcane CoP 18436, CoP 18437 and CoP 18438 developed by SRI, RPCAU, Pusa were promoted for advanced varietal trials under the ICAR – All India Coordinated Research Project.
- **Preparation of Banana Powder-** The commercial banana powder preparation technique from mature unripe banana is being standardized by Department of Horticulture, TCA Dholi. Banana genotypes from experimental field of the ICAR-AICRP on Fruit are being evaluated for powder preparation. Presently, four different banana genotypes, viz., 'Malbhog' (AAB), 'Grand Naine' (AAA), 'Alpan' (AAB) and 'BBy Bateesha' (ABB) are successfully dehydrated as banana powder. The nutritional profiling and biochemical analysis of these genotypes are in progress.
- **Director of Research visited the experimental trials of maize and potato** - Director Research, RPCAU, Pusa along with Dean TCA, Dholi visited maize and potato fields of Dholi campus on 28th January, 2022 to monitor the ongoing AICRP programmes. During the visit scientists associated with the respective ICAR-AICRPs were also present.



Extension Activities

- **Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Parsauni, East Champaran-II:** Roof Top Nutri Garden (Size 25x15ft) at Chand Mari colony, Motihari was established under the technical guidance of KVK, Parsauni, East Champaran-II. on the building of Shri Jai Chandra Prasad Srivastava, Ex DEO.
- **Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Turki and Sarya organized PM Kisan Samman Nidhi Live Telecast programme** on 01.01.2022 at KVK Turki. Two hundred three farmers and farmwomen participated in this programme. Hon'ble Prime Minister released fund for farmers under PM Kisan Samman Nidhi programme.
- **Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Turki, Parsauni and Piprakothi conducted field day on Mustard, Broccoli, Wheat and Lentil crop under Cluster Front Line Demonstrations (CFLD) at KVK adopted villages** wherein 145 farmers participated in the said field days.





➤ **Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Birauli** conducted 3 days training on Clean milk production and livestock management under veterinary science, from 05.01.2022 to 07.01.2022. This programme was conceptualized for capacity building amongst farmers & rural youth. Training was basically imparted on feed & disease management for milching cattle & poultry.



➤ **Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Piprakothi, East Champaran** Subject Matter Specialist (Veterinary Science) conducted three days training programme on the topic Poultry farming and its management from 03-05 January, 2022 under ARYA Project and trained 19 rural youths.



➤ **Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Piprakothi, East Champaran** conducted method demonstration on marketing and grading of fresh vegetables (Capsicum, Radish, Spinach and seedless cucumber produced under polyhouse and nutritional garden) established at KVK, campus for high market price and income generation.



Awards, Sports & Other activities



➤ **The Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Birauli** has been bestowed with "Best KVK Award" for the year, 2021 in recognition of outstanding achievement in technology dissemination, formation of farmers' group, excellent collaboration with line departments



etc. Dr. R.K. Tiwari, Head, KVK, Birauli received the award & citation from Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Dr. R.C. Srivastava on the occasion of 26th January, 2022 celebration at University headquarter.

➤ **Abhinav Kisan Puraskar- 2021** - Smt Rekha Devi, Village- Manikpur, Saraiya (Muzaffarpur), has been awarded with Abhinav Kisan Puraskar-2021 by Dr Rajendra Prasad Central Agricultural University, Pusa, Samastipur. The award was conferred to her on occasion of 73rd Republic Day by Hon'ble Vice chancellor,



DRPCA Dr R. C. Srivastava for her outstanding contribution in field of agriculture. She has significantly contributed in promotion of lac bangle making technique learned from Krishi Vigyan Kendra Saraiya.

