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At the very outset, I wish all the best wishes for Dussehra, Deepawali and Chhath Puja to my dear students & faculties. May God bless us all good fortune and this may prevail to everyone associated with DRPCA.

The initial one month has been passed in interaction & assessment of different activities and requirements of different colleges and units of the university to identify the gaps needing immediate attention. A holistic action plan in tune of Short term, Mid-term and Long term is being developed to address every issues and challenges emerged out in these interactions and assessment. As a part of good governance and empowered decision-making exhaustive digitization and automation is being planned to ensure effective, efficient and transparent administration, high quality education and research. The process of implementing e-Office and ERP (Enterprise Resource Planning) have already been initiated to upscale the resource and process optimization. I am very much hopeful that these steps will bring the positive change and empowered environment in the university leading to national/international collaboration with premier institutions, improved university ranking and greater visibility.

I would like to appeal everyone in the university to work for the change and betterment in every sphere of their activities and engagement, and feel proud of being part of this heritage institution.

Jai Hind!
(Dr. P. S. Pandey)**Education and Educational Activities****➤ Conducted event: 3 days BAMETI sponsored training program on 'Effective Governance and Promotion of FPOs'**

School of Agribusiness and Rural Management has organized a 3 days training program sponsored from BAMETI on 'Effective Governance and Promotion of FPOs' during 29th- 30th September, 1st October, 2022. Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Dr. P.S. Pandey graced the inaugural ceremony and conveyed best wishes to all the participants along with a sense of contributing in the domain of FPOs. Dr. Mohit Sharma has acted as a Course Director and coordinated the activities during the entire training program. Participants were sensitized with the basics of FPOs along with an understanding of deploying knowledge at the field level.



➤ **TCA, Dholi organized "Swachhata Pakhwara"** campaign in different departments from 1-15th October 2022. Scientists and staffs of TCA, Dholi participated in the aforesaid programme.

➤ **University Library, DRPCA, Pusa** organized "Swachhata Pakhwada" campaign from 1-15 October 2022. University librarian and library staff participated in the above programme.



➤ **Monthly Meeting of Teacher's Council, TCA Dholi** was organized under the Chairmanship of Dean, TCA, Dholi on 01.10.2022. In this meeting, various issues related to teaching, research and extension were discussed thoroughly.

- **Mechanization training for "Farm Machinery Services and Maintenance Technician"** A 26-day training programs both for "Farm Machinery Services" and "Maintenance Technicians" were inaugurated in the Department of Farm Machinery and Power Engineering, CAET on 10th and 19th October 2022 respectively. This training program is organized under the Skill Development Program of Government of Bihar to create a service provider for the repair and maintenance of agricultural machineries and implements. Dr. Amrish Kumar, Dean CAET, Dr. S. K. Patel, HOD, FMPE, Faculties and staffs of Department of Farm Machinery and Power Engineering, CAET were present.



- **ISAE Calendar Conceptathon** To celebrate International Year of Millets 2023 ISAE Calendar Conceptathon was organized by ISAE-New Delhi. Second and third prize in the Calendar Conceptathon on 'Engineering Innovations for Millet' was won by Dr. Vishal Kumar and Dr. S.K. Patel of CAET, RPCAU.



- **Dr. P. S. Pandey, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, RPCAU, Pusa** visited Dholi campus on 14.10.2022 and interacted with faculties of the college. On this occasion Dean, TCA, Dholi, Director Research and Director, Seed & Farm were also present.



- **Dr. A.K. Singh, Director, Sugarcane Research Institute, RPCAU, Pusa,** Bihar participated and presented a research paper entitled "Income and employment generation through sugarcane production and processing model" in the 7th IAPSIT International Sugar Conference on sustainability of the Sugar and Integrated Industries: Issues and initiatives held at ICAR-Indian Institute of Sugarcane Research, Lucknow, U.P., India from 16-19th October 2022. He also chaired the Technical Session- 1 of the Conference.



- **End Term Examination of the 2nd and 4th semester students of TCA, Dholi** was successfully completed from 17.10.2022 to 27.10.2022. Dean, TCA Dholi appreciated all faculty members for the smooth conduct of End Term Examination and timely submission of internal grade sheet.

- **Department of Extension Education, TCA, Dholi** successfully organized General Orientation & On Campus Training Programme for 7th semester students under RAWF from 25.10.22 to 01.11.22 at TCA, Dholi.



Research Activities



- **International Year of Millets was celebrated** A Field Day cum Millet Exhibition and seed distribution was organized to celebrate the International Year of Millets at TCA, Dholi on 14.10.2022. Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, RPCAU, Pusa graced the occasion along with all the Deans & Directors of the university. The associated scientists of ICAR-AICRP on Small Millets and faculty members of TCA, Dholi were present. Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor distributed seeds of small millets to the farmers. He stressed upon growing the millets in farmers' fields and its inclusion in daily diet.



- **Scientists participated in 40th Annual group Meet of ICAR-AICRP on Potato**
Scientists associated with ICAR-AICRP on Potato, TCA Dholi participated in the 40th Annual Group Meeting of Potato Workers held at Srinagar, SKUAST, Jammu & Kashmir from 7-9 October 2022. The ongoing trials and future course of actions were elaborately discussed.



- **Scientists participated in 34th Biennial Workshop of ICAR-AICRP on Sugarcane**

Scientists associated with ICAR-AICRP on Sugarcane participated and presented their annual report in 34th Biennial Workshop organized at ICAR- Indian Institute of Sugarcane Research, Lucknow through hybrid mode. Director, Sugarcane Research Institute, RPCAU, Pusa was also present in the workshop.



- **Exhibition and Field Demonstration on Agricultural Drone Technology Organized**

The event was organized by CAET in collaboration with VillAgro at Barahiya on 13th Oct 2022 to popularize the Drone



Technology in Mokama Tal area of Bihar. Around 300 farmers participants were there along with the representatives of IFFCO, NFL and Bayer.

- **Harvesting problem of lentil in Mokama Tal area will be addressed soon**

The Principal Investigator, ICAR-AICRP on FIM, CAET, Pusa visited the lentil fields at Mokama Tal area on 7th Oct 2022 to monitor the harvesting of lentil crop. This information will be utilized for his ongoing research on Development of Lentil harvester, which is being developed in collaboration with ICAR-AICRP on FIM.



- **Representatives from custom hiring service centre visited CAET, Pusa**

A group of 26 representatives from 18 custom hiring service centres operating in Samastipur visited CAET, Pusa on 15th Oct 22 on Women Farmers Day. Faculty members of the Department of FMPE along with representative from

VillAgro and Assistant Director (Agricultural Engineering) of Samastipur district were present



Extension Activities



- **Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Narkatiaganj** conducted four days training programme on "Quality sugarcane seed production" on campus for rural youth. The attendees were benefited from this training by learning the nitty-gritty of certified seed production in sugarcane and the online certification process. Participants were demonstrated with 18 different sugarcane varieties in the sugarcane cafeteria at KVK demonstration plot. A total 30 rural youths participated in the programme.



- **Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Sheohar** conducted a three-day training programme on "Mushroom Cultivation" from 11-13th Oct. 2022 under the supervision of SMS, Plant Protection, KVK, Sheohar. Hands on trainings were given to twenty-one farmers about Oyster mushroom cultivation and preparation of button mushroom compost through different methods.



- **Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Sheohar** conducted an On-Campus technical guidance programme on Button mushroom compost

preparation. Button mushroom compost preparation has been started at Sunderpur Kharauna village by mushroom growing women farmers group. Another button mushroom compost preparation started at KVK, Sheohar with the support of farmers for their better learning by doing experience.



➤ **Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Vaishali, Biraoli, Turki** organized Kisan Goshthi cum PM Kisan Samman Nidhi Sammelan on 17.10.2022. In this event more than 1274 farmers and farm women participated along with 10 VIP persons in respective KVKs.

➤ **Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Vaishali** organized one day off campus training programme for sensitizing farmer & farm women on method of water conservation on 26.10.2022 at Nirpur village of Patepur block. Total 50 farmers participated in this training programme.



➤ **Directorate of Extension Education, KVK Turki, KVK Vaishali and KVK Biraoli** jointly organized National Mahila Kisan Diwas on 15.10.2022 at DoEE, RPCAU, Pusa. In this event University Head and Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, RPCAU, Pusa, Dr. P.S. Pandey, Dr. M.S. Kundu, DEE, Dr. P. S. Brahmanand, Director Research and progressive farmwoman were present. In this event more than 320 farmwomen participated. Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor discussed in detail about Govt. scheme, innovative technology for farmwomen, and entrepreneurship development at village level for employment generation.



➤ **Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Turki** conducted exposure visit on 19.10.2022 at Krishi Vigyan Kendra Piprakothi for CRA adopted farmers, different units and CRA technologies at KVK Piprakothi. In this event 40 farmers participated.

Awards, Sports & Other activities

➤ **Ms. Yashwee, B.FSc. student (Batch 2018-19)** was awarded with "Prof. J. R. Dhanze Memorial Award for Best Fisheries Graduates-2022" during "International Conference on Responsible Aquaculture and Sustainable Fisheries Interact (RASHI)".



➤ **Mr. Pankaj Kumar Singh, B.FSc. student (Batch 2018-19)** secured 7th rank in the examination of Best Fisheries graduates of India-2022 organized by Professional Fisheries Graduates Forum, India along with, Purva Sharan, Samrat Kumar Nirala, Sonali Singh, Vineet Anand and Atul Kumar Singh ranked under 25 ranks.



➤ **Dr. M.L. Meena**, Senior Scientist & Head has been awarded with "Best Extension Scientist Award" during 3rd National Conference held at Ujjain, Madhya Pradesh on 17th -19th October, 2022.

➤ **Mrs. Ipsita Biswas**, SMS (Fisheries) of KVK Turki has been awarded with "Young Scientist Award" for her outstanding performance in the field of Fisheries Science and "Best Paper Presentation" for work done in Jayanti Rohu during 3rd National Conference held at Ujjain, Madhya Pradesh on 17th -19th October, 2022

➤ **Mrs. Ipsita Biswas**, SMS (Fisheries) of KVK Turki has delivered a lead talk on- "The eminence of cage culture in fisheries sector" at 3rd National Conference on Natural Farming, Organic Farming and Chemical Farming in Indian Agriculture- Present scenario and way forward during 17th -19th October, 2022 at Ujjain, Madhya Pradesh.

