

News of Director Extension Education Conference held at ICAR-ATARI, Kanpur on 11 August, 2016

ICAR-ATARI, Kanpur organized Directors of Extension Education Conference on 11 August 2016 to review the progress of KVKs of Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand.

In the Inaugural Session Dr. Atar Singh PS, (Agro.) welcomed the delegates and highlighted the weak points of the KVKs which needs Director attention.

Dr U. S. Gautam, Director ICAR-ATARI, Kanpur welcomed Dr A. D. Pathak Director ICAR-IISR, Lucknow; Directors (Extension) of SAUs and Director nominee of ICAR institutes. He highlighted the achievements and progress of KVKs and requested all participants to make the year planner of KVKs and for Directorate level and work strictly according to the year planner 2016-17. This year planner should be shared with line department so that they may also participate or nominate some body from their department on the day of event. He also pointed out technical backstopping by the Directorate, which is the main function and also monitoring the mandated KVK activities. He discussed about newsletter of ICAR-ATARI, Kanpur and also requested all Directors to publish newsletter of all KVKs and Directorate level also. He also discussed to DEs about strategies to enhance the efficiency of Scientists of KVKs and suggested how to produce location specific quality seeds. He advised to develop Training Action Plan for SMSs of KVK under the area jurisdiction of SAUs on the subject of skill development of rural youth to be provided by ASCI (Agriculture Skill Council of India), production technology for hills at VPKAS, Almora; ICAR-IVRI, Bareilly and DUVASU, Mathura for Animal Husbandry and ICAR-IIVR, Varanasi for Vegetables. The participating delegates presented progress of first quarter report and future plan and also discussed about the constraints of the KVK in the technical session.



Open discussion held with the participants about the problem solving approach in their area KVKs for proper monitoring and facilitation to achieve the targeted activities of the KVKs. DEs/ Director of ICAR Institutes should feel proud to having KVKs for technology demonstration from the SAUs/ICAR institute and NARS technologies. It was told that commodity based HRD programmes should be organized at SAUs and ICAR Institutes for updating the knowledge of the different subject scientist of the KVKs for dissemination of knowledge for further to clients. In this meeting Dr Dhoom Singh, DE,

CSAUAT Kanpur; Dr R G Upadhyaya, DE, UHF, Bharsar; Dr Wilson Kispotta, DE, SHIATS Allahabd; Dr S S Yadav, DE, DUVASU, Mathura; Dr Anil Garg, JD, ICAR-IVRI Bareilly; Dr R N Prasad, Director Nominee, ICAR-IIVR, Varanasi; Dr. Nirmal Chandra, Director Nominee, ICAR-VPKAS, Almora; Dr Satya Prakash, DE Nominee, SVPUAT, Meerut; Dr R A Singh and Dr R R Singh, DE Nominee, NDUAT, Faizabad and Dr T P Singh, Joint Director Extension, GBPUAT, Pantnagar were participated in the workshop. Vote of thanks was given by Dr. U S Gautam, Director, ICAR-ATARI, Kanpur to the participants.

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