

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, HASSAN in Collaboration with Department of Agriculture and District Administration organized PMFBY 'Mere Policy Mere Haath' and Agricultural Exhibition on 13th March 2022 inaugurated by Sushri Shobha Karandlaje, Hon'ble Minister of State for Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, GOI. The Minister emphasised the importance of PMFBY for the welfare of farming community during crop loss. As part of the Exhibition, nearly 200 stalls on different farming technologies and value addition in agricultural products were exhibited. She visited various units accompanied by Dr. K.C. Narayanaswamy, Director of Education, UAS-B and Dr. S.N. Vasudevan, Dean of the College. The programme was presided by Shri Preetham J Gowda, Hon'ble MLA of Hassan taluk. Shri Rithesh Chouhan, Joint Secretary & CEO of PMFBY, GoI; Shri Brijesh Kumar Dixit, Commissioner, Department of Agriculture, GoK; Shri Kantharaju, CEO, Zilla Panchayat, Hassan; Smt. Nandini Kumari, Director of Agriculture, GoK and other officers were present. More than 5000 farmers participated in the programme.

Programme on PMFBY and Exhibition



Hon'ble Minister interacting with the students

CERTIFICATE DISTRIBUTION CEREMONY of ninth Diploma (Agri.) was conducted at College of Agriculture, V.C. Farm, Mandya on 30th March, 2022. Dr. S. Rajendra Prasad, Vice-Chancellor of UAS-B administered the oath and distributed the certificates to eligible candidates. He suggested the students to build up their career in agriculture either as Agri-entrepreneur or as a model farmer. Dr. Puttaraju, Vice-Chancellor, Mandya University participated as chief guest and urged the students to make use of their individual skills and strengths in pursuing higher education in agriculture. As many as 44 students have successfully completed the Diploma (Agri.) during 2019-2021. Dr. P.H. Ramanjini Gowda, Shri T.M. Aravind, Shri O.S. Dayananda & Shri R. Srirama, Hon'ble Members of Board of Management; Dr. K.C. Narayanaswamy, Director of Education; Dr. Basave Gowda, Registrar; Dr. S.S. Prakash, Dean (Agri.); Dr. M.P. Rajanna, Principal, Diploma (Agri.) witnessed the programme. To commemorate the 10th year of start of the Diploma (Agri.) course, the Decennial (*Dashamaanotsava*) function was also organized at College of Agriculture, V.C. Farm, Mandya on 30th March 2022. Vice-Chancellor of UAS-B inaugurated the programme and advised the students to go back to their native places, adopt innovative practices, motivate other youth and emerge as model farmers. Dr. S. Vidyashankar, Vice-Chancellor, Karnataka State Open University, Mysuru participated as the chief guest.

Certificate Distribution & Decennial Ceremony



Dignitaries distributing the Gold Medal to the candidate

Walk-in Counselling : Admission

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International Women's Day

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY was celebrated on 8th March, 2022 at GKVK, Bengaluru in order to celebrate the cultural, political, and socio-economic achievements of women. Dr. K.C. Narayanaswamy, Director of Education inaugurated the programme and mentioned that gender equality in the context of the climate crisis and disaster risk reduction is one of the greatest global challenges and women are influential leaders and change-makers for climate adaptation and mitigation. The chief guest, Smt. Nemichandra, Novelist and former General Manager, Hindustan Aeronautics Limited spoke about women achievers in science and the need for gender equity. The other chief guest, Smt. Akshatha Pandavapura, artist and professional theatre practitioner addressed the audience about women in art forms. Dr. N. B. Prakash, Dean (Agri.), CoA, GKVK, Bengaluru, presided over and highlighted the importance of secondary agriculture in empowerment of rural women. The programme was also organised at all the constituent colleges and Units of the University. CoA, Hassan in collaboration with IAT, Hassan Chapter and Zuari Farm Hub Ltd., Hassan organised the programme meaningfully. Shri N.R. Nanjunde Gowda, Director of Kannada film industry participated as chief guest. In the event organised at College of Sericulture, Chintamani, Dr. D.L. Savithamma, former Dean (Agri.) and Emeritus Scientist, GKVK;



Dignitaries inaugurating the programme at GKVK, Bengaluru

Vice-Chancellor's Visit to Europe

DR. S. RAJENDRA PRASAD, Vice-Chancellor of UAS-B visited Barcelona and Switzerland from 07-23 March, 2022. He visited University of Leida at Spain and discussed on the collaborative activities between University of Leida and UAS-B through interaction with scientists, staff and students. Vice-Chancellor visited Friedrich Schiller University (FSU), Jena, Germany and discussed on the collaborative activities between FSU and UAS-B through



Interaction with Vice-Chancellor, International Affairs, University of Leida

interaction with president & faculty. He also visited Max Planck Institute (MPI) and Hans Knoll Institute, Beutenberg for Chemical Ecology at Jena. He visited University of Gottingen, Germany and interacted with Vice-President for Research, Coordinator, Director and Regional Coordinator on the collaborative activities between University of Gottingen and UAS-B. He visited International Seed Testing Association (ISTA), Switzerland and discussed on the collaborative activities between ISTA and UAS-B. Vice-Chancellor participated in the meeting with Dr. Ralph, Dr. Masa and Dr. Ken held at Functional Genomics Centre Zurich and discussed on the Ragi whole genome sequencing and phenotyping.

Smt. Matha Amruthavalli, Social Worker, Aadhar Foundation of Chintamani and Smt. Papamma, Seed protector of Mulabagal participated and represented the contribution of women in agriculture and day-to-day life.

Workshop on Technical Competencies

DIRECTORATE OF EXTENSION, UAS, Bangalore organized a two-day participatory workshop on 'Enhancement of Technical Competencies of KVK Scientists' on 3rd & 4th March, 2022 at ICAR-KVK, Bengaluru Rural. Dr. N. Nagaraja, former Director of Extension inaugurated the workshop and spoke about the



Participants of the workshop along with the dignitaries

technical competencies needed by the KVK Scientists. Dr. M.J. Chandregowda, Dr. D.V. Srinivasa Reddy, and Dr. B.T. Rayudu, Principal Scientists of ATARI, Bengaluru participated as resource persons. Dr. N. Devakumar, Director of Extension urged all the Heads and Scientists of seven KVK's of UAS, Bangalore to be aware of their roles and responsibilities in formulation of OFTs, FLDs, modalities of organizing training programmes for effective functioning. He mentioned that the workshop would facilitate Heads and Scientists of KVK's to function effectively and increase their technical competencies. Dr. H.K. Pankaja, Technical Officer, Directorate of Extension coordinated the workshop.

Important Events

- 🔥 **CAKE EXHIBITION-CUM-SALES** was organised by the Bakery Training Unit of UAS-B on 17th March, 2022 at GKVK, Bengaluru inaugurated by Dr. K.C. Narayanaswamy, Director of Education, UAS, Bangalore wherein varieties of Cakes were displayed
- 🔥 **AN MOU** was signed between Watershed Development Department, GoK and UAS, Bangalore on 17th March, 2022 in the presence of Dr. K.C. Narayanaswamy, Director of Education, UAS-B to undertake Land Resource Inventory
- 🔥 **A SPECIAL TALK** by Dr. Sathish Gowda, Professor of Law, Bangalore University, Bengaluru was organised on the occasion of Centenary Celebration of Parliamentary Systems in India on 24th March, 2022
- 🔥 **FREE HEALTH CHECK-UP CAMPAIGN** was organised by the Directorate of Student Welfare at UAS Dispensary on 11th March, 2022 in the presence of Director of Education and Director of Student Welfare, UAS-B



Participants during the field visit

Training on Hybrid Maize Seed Production

AICRP ON SEED (CROPS), UAS, GKVK, Bengaluru organized a training programme on techniques in hybrid maize seed production at Meerasabihalli of Challakere taluk in Chitradurga district on 17th March, 2022 to 47 maize growers. Dr. T.M. Ramanappa, Special Officer (Seeds), AICRP on Seed (Crops), UAS-B, briefed about the different seed production activities. Dr. R. Siddaraju, Seed Research Officer and Dr. H.C. Lohithaswa, Principal Scientist and Scheme Head, AICRP on Pigeon pea, explained about the seed production techniques of hybrid maize MAH-14-5.



Students with the playcards & slogans during the procession

World Water Day - 2022

ZARS, V.C. FARM, MANDYA organised the World Water Day with the theme 'Ground water-making invisible visible' in collaboration with EEU, Naganahalli, Mysuru and ATMA, KSDA, Mysuru. Dr. S.S. Prakash, Dean (Agri.), CoA, Mandya distributed the water quality tested reports to farmers and highlighted the importance of conserving soil, water, climate and biodiversity. Dr. Venkatesh, Associate Director of Research, ZARS, Mandya and Dr. C. Ramachandra, Extension leader, EEU, Mysuru graced the occasion.

Review & Lecture Series : Indo-German Project

Project entitled 'The Rural-Urban Interface of Bangalore - A Space of Transitions in Agriculture, Economics and Society' was held on 23rd March 2022 at Institute for Social and Economic Change (ISEC), Bengaluru. Dr. K.B. Umesh, Professor and Coordinator of the Indo-German Collaborative Research Project presented the proceedings of the previous review meeting. The progress of eight sub-projects from UAS-B and seven from partner institutions were reviewed. Dr. D. Rajasekhar, Director, ISEC; Scientists and Research staff from UAS-B & other partner institutions participated in the review meeting. Guest Lecture Series were also organized virtually on 8th March 2022 & 9th March 2022.

THE 2ND HALF YEARLY (1st October, 2021 to 31th March, 2022) review meeting of the Indo-German Collaborative Research



Dignitaries during the inauguration of the programme

Pre-action Plan Workshop of KVKs

DIRECTORATE OF EXTENSION in collaboration with ATARI, Bengaluru organised the Pre-action Plan:2022-23 for KVKs under technical jurisdiction of UAS-B at ICAR-KVK, Chamarajanagara from 16-18 March, 2022. All the Senior Scientist & Heads of KVKs and their respective Scientists presented the Action Plan for 2022-23. Dr. N. Nagaraja, former Director of Extension; Dr. Chandregowda and Dr. D.V. Sreenivasa Reddy, Principal Scientists from ATARI, Zone-XI, Bengaluru participated and provided valuable suggestions to improve the Action Plan. Dr. N. Devakumar, Director of Extension, UAS-B instructed the KVKs to incorporate all the suggestions given by the Subject Matter Experts.

Refresher Training to Teachers & Field Personnel

THE STAFF TRAINING UNIT, Directorate of Extension organized a 3-day refresher training programme for Field and Lab Assistants from 9-11 March, 2022 at College of Agriculture, V.C. Farm, Mandya. Inaugurating the programme, Dr. N. Devakumar, Director of Extension said that there is a need for updating the knowledge of Field and



Teachers during the participatory exercise

Lab Assistants on recent developments in agriculture. Dr. Y.G. Shadakshari, Director of Research and Dr. G. Gopinath, Administrative Officer participated in the valedictory programme. Dr. S.S. Prakash, Dean (Agri.), CoA, Mandya presided the programme. Similar programme was organized for Associate and Assistant Professors of the University from 15-18 March, 2022 at Extension Education Unit, Naganahalli, Mysuru. Dr. N. Nagaraja, former Director of Extension inaugurated the programme and briefed about the importance of training in the field of Education, Research and Extension to achieve better progress. Dr. K. Shivaramu, Training Coordinator & Coordinator, Staff Training Unit-SAMETI (S) coordinated the programmes.



MoU was signed between Visvesvaraya Trade Promotion Centre (VTPC), Department of Industries and Commerce, Government of Karnataka and UAS, Bangalore on 28th March 2022 for Establishing Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR) Honey Testing Laboratory at UAS-B

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University Library organised a Book Exhibition on 17th & 18th March 2022 wherein 29 suppliers / dealers / vendors participated. Dr. K.C. Narayanaswamy, Director of Education inaugurated the exhibition accompanied by Dr. S.V. Suresha, Dean (Student Welfare) and Dr. G. Gopinath, Administrative Officer.

Entrepreneurship Development Programme

DEPARTMENT OF FOOD SCIENCE AND NUTRITION, CoA, GKVK organized an Entrepreneurship Development Programme from 28-30th March, 2022 in association with Karnataka State Women Development Corporation, Mahila Shakti Kendra and Sai Gram Charitable Trust. Mrs. Shashikala V Tengli, Chairperson of KSWDC inaugurated the programme and urged the women entrepreneurs to make use of the facilities available in the department and provide employment to the needy. Dr. N. Devakumar, Director of Extension, emphasized the qualities of an entrepreneur to be successful. Mrs. H. Pushpalatha, Managing Director, KSWDC; Dr. A. Rajendraprasad, CEO, Sai Gram Charitable Trust were present. Dr. Usha Ravindra, Professor coordinated the programme.

Winter School on Agri Start-ups

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION, CoA, GKVK, Bengaluru organized ICAR Sponsored Winter School on 'Agri Start-ups and Entrepreneurship Development' from 23rd February 2022 to 15th March 2022. Dr. K.C. Narayanaswamy, Director of Education, UAS-B participated in the valedictory programme and distributed the certificates to the participants. He spoke on the importance of Agri-Start-ups, their role in growth and development of agriculture. Dr. N.B. Prakash, Dean (Agri.), CoA, GKVK, presided over the programme. Dr. Y.N. Shivalingaiah, Professor of Agricultural Extension was the Course Director.

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