



Release of Brochure and Workshop lecture notes

(PGS) provided a concise history of the establishment of the Central Instrumentation Facility (CIF) and emphasized the pivotal role of the facilities in facilitating sample analysis, thereby enabling researchers and students to publish their findings in reputed Journals. Dr. N.B. Prakash, Dean (Agri.), CoA, GVKV advocated to organize similar workshops to disseminate information on advanced analytical techniques. The CIF brochure, workshop lecture notes and literature on microscopy were released by the distinguished guests during the inaugural session. Dr. K. Earanna, Professor of Microbiology, UAS-B (Rtd.); Dr. Somenath Ghatak & Mr. Aloysius Daniel, specialists at Carl Zeiss India Pvt. Ltd.; Dr. Rashmi Santhoshkumar, Senior Scientific Assistant at the Electron Microscopy facility, NIMHANS, Bengaluru and other eminent personalities discussed about various issues on Microscopy.

Lecture Workshop on Advanced Microscopy

DIRECTORATE OF POST GRADUATE STUDIES and Central Instrumentation Facility organized a one-day Lecture Workshop on Advanced Microscopy on 15th April, 2024 at GVKV. Dr. Nataraja Karaba, Professor & Head, Department of Crop Physiology and the workshop's convener, said that the workshop aimed to equip faculty and Ph.D. students with insights of advanced microscopic techniques and to empower them for future research endeavors. Dr. S.V. Suresha, Vice-Chancellor of UAS-B insisted the students to utilize the facilities created and encouraged them to publish quality research articles in peer-reviewed journals. Dr. K.C. Narayanaswamy, Director of Education and Dean



Vice-Chancellor, Chief Guest and Officers during the celebration

life in the society. Dr. N.B. Prakash, Dean (Agri.), CoA, GVKV; Dr. S. Chandrasekhar, Professor and Director of SC-ST Cell, UAS-B were present. In the event held at CoA, Mandya, Dr. S.V. Suresha, Vice-Chancellor; Dr. H. Shivanna, former Vice-Chancellor of UAS-B; the chief guest Dr. Krishnamurthy Chamaram, Professor, KSOU, Mysuru and Dr. D. Raghupathi, Dean (Agri.), CoA, Mandya participated. Dr. Shivakumara, Director, Akka IAS Academy, Bengaluru was the chief guest at CoA, Hassan, presided by Dr. K.N. Muniswamy Gowda, Dean (Agri.).

Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Jayanthi

UAS, BANGALORE paid rich tributes to Dr. B.R. Ambedkar on his 133rd Birth Anniversary Celebration held on 14th April, 2024 at GVKV, Bengaluru. Inaugurating the programme, Dr. S.V. Suresha, Vice-Chancellor recalled the contributions of Dr. Ambedkar and said he was a great social reformer who dedicated his entire life for the upliftment of the deprived sections of society and is the chief architect of the Indian Constitution. He suggested celebrating in a meaningful way by understanding and implementing his ideology. The Chief Guest, Mr. Gollahalli Shivaprasad, Poet and President, Karnataka Folklore Academy, Government of Karnataka in his address said that the constitution has ensured all rights to citizens to lead a dignified

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, V.C. FARM, MANDYA in association with the Youth Red Cross Society; National Service Scheme, CoA, Mandya; ZARS, Mandya and ICAR-KVK, Mandya

organized a Jatha on 7th April, 2024 on the eve of World Water Day with the theme 'Water for Peace'. Dr. D. Raghupathi, Dean (Agri.), CoA, Mandya inaugurated the jatha by officially waving the flag near KVK, Mandya. Students participated in the jatha holding placards and slogans were voiced to save water. Students were sensitized about the importance of water saving and judicious utilization. Dr. N. Shivakumar, Associate Director of Research, ZARS, Mandya; Dr. P.S. Fathima, Professor and Principal, Diploma (Agri.); Dr. H.C. Sidhu, NSS Programme Officer and others were present.

World Water Day-2024

Interaction Meeting with Seed Industry

THE VICE-CHANCELLOR interacted with the representatives of Private Sector Seed Industries on 18th April, 2024 and discussed on the issues related to seed health testing for plant quarantine



Vice-Chancellor with the representatives of the Seed Industry

certificates for import & export, compilation of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) and research collaboration with the University.

KAU Officials Visit UEC, GKVK

THE TEAM OF EXAMINATION CENTRE of Kerala Agricultural University (Dr. Dijee Bastain, Dr. Sharon and Mr. Ajith.) visited University Examination Centre, GKVK on 30th April, 2024 to adopt the academic automation followed by UAS, Bangalore.



Team of Kerala Agricultural University at UEC, GKVK

Dr. O.R. Nataraju, Controller of Examination and the team briefed the visitors about the automation adopted and also demonstrated the different ICT applications, starting from student admission to exit.

Students of UAS-B Excel

NINETEEN STUDENTS OF UAS-B participated in the 37th Inter University National Youth Festival : 2023-24 held at Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana, Punjab from 28th March, 2024 to 1st April, 2024 organized by AIU and won Gold Medal in Folk Dance and II place in Debate. Dr. G.C. Jayashree, Assistant Professor of Agril. Engineering and Dr. M.B. Darshan, Assistant Research Engineer were the team leaders.



Vice-Chancellor and Officers with the participants and the winners

JR. MBA (ABM) STUDENTS of Institute of Agri Business Management participated and excelled in 'Prabandhaz'-2024, the National Level Management Meet held at Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore on 5th & 6th March, 2024. Ms. Ankita Rana, Mr. Darshan Kumar, G.R., Ms. Sona George, Ms. Megha. V. and Mr. Mallikarjun Chougala were the winners of Talent Forge (HR) event. Ms. Sinchana C.M. and Mr. Shashibushan were the First Runners-up of the Brand Battle event. Mr. Jayanth, N., Ms. Kavana S., and Ms. Nisarga were the Second Runners-up in the Mind Marathon Event, while Mr. Rohith and Mr. Prasanna were the Second Runners-up in AD Act Event.



Vice-Chancellor and Officers with the winning Jr. MBA students



Awareness Programme on Voting held at GKVK on 18th April, 2024 in association with Deputy Commissioner's Office, Yelahanka, Bengaluru



Seed Health Testing Laboratory

DR. S.V. SURESHA, Vice-Chancellor inaugurated the Seed Health Testing Laboratory (SHTL), established at Department of Plant Pathology, CoA, GKVK on 18th April, 2024 to test health of the seeds submitted by different seed companies and regional plant quarantine stations. He appreciated the digitalization of the entire process of receipt of samples, testing and reporting in the formats required by the seed industry. Dr. K.C. Narayanaswamy, Director of Education released the



Dignitaries inaugurating the laboratory

SHTL Brochure containing information on seed borne pathogens, testing methods and sample processing procedure for the benefit of the stake holders. Dr. Basave Gowda, Registrar; Dr. Venkatesh, Director of Research; Dr. N.B. Prakash, Dean (Agri.) and Dr. Shashank Dharmadhikari of United Genetics -FSIL and 43 seed company stakeholders from 23 seed companies were present during the occasion. Dr. N. Nagaraju, Prof. & Head coordinated the event.

International Virtual Course (IVC) 2024

THE NATIONAL KICK OFF programme of the International Virtual Course 2024 on 'Tackling Climate Change through Global Learning' was organized at Department of Agricultural Economics, GKVK on 16th April, 2024. The IVC is a collaboration between Zurich University of Applied Sciences (ZHAW), Switzerland, Federal University of Grande Dourados (UFGD), Brazil, University of Nairobi, Kenya and University of Agricultural Sciences, Bangalore. Lectures and panel discussions from international experts on various aspects of climate change were organized. Dr. Mahin Sharif presented the contents, objectives and expected outcome of the International Virtual Course. Dr. K. S. Jagadish, Scientific Officer, Directorate of Education while addressing the students appreciated the team for taking up this innovative long-term virtual programme involving multidisciplinary faculty and students across the globe. Dr. M.N. Venkataramana, Professor & University Head and Dr. H. Loksha Professor & Head of the Department of Agril. Economics graced the occasion along with the students.

Pre Action Plan Workshop of KVKs

THE PRE ACTION WORKSHOP for the KVKs coming under the technical jurisdiction of UAS-B was organized at KVK, Mandya from 2-4 April, 2024 for the year 2024-25. Dr. V.L. Madhuprasad, Director of Extension of UAS-B highlighted the motto of Pre Action Plan and requested all KVK's to take up suitable extension activities that are required for



Director of Extension addressing the KVK Scientists

educating the farming communities. Dr. M.J. Chandre Gowda, Principal Scientist, ATARI, Bengaluru guided all KVK Scientists to plan activities based on the situation analysis by targeting burning issues. Extension activities to be conducted by the scientists of all the disciplines of seven KVKs under UAS-B and IIHR-KVK were deliberated in the presence of Resource Persons invited from various institutes. Dr. D. Raghupathi, Dean (Agri.), CoA, V.C. Farm, Mandya and Dr. N. Shivakumar, ADR, ZARS, V.C. Farm, Mandya participated in the discussions.

Summer Course & Walk-in-Interview at IBT & VA

THE INSTITUTE OF BAKING TECHNOLOGY AND VALUE ADDITION (IBT & VA) organized short duration training programmes on Bakery and Value Addition under Summer Special Courses-2024 namely, Chats preparation, Value added amla products, Home baking, Baking course for school children, value added ragi products and Refreshing juices in the month of April, 2024. Value addition to various agricultural produce, Food Hygiene, Sanitation & Safety



Participants of summer course

and Preparation of various value added products were covered in the courses attended by Entrepreneurs, women, youth, students, SHG's members, Housewives and others. IBT & VA in association with Resilience Kart, Cakes Memo and Megalos Food Factory conducted Campus Walk-in-Interview for the institute alumni on 2nd April, 2024 and 13th April, 2024 for the post of Bakers, Sales and Marketing Executives.

World Health Day

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, HASSAN celebrated World Health Day on 7th April, 2024. Dr. D.N. Nithin, Medical Officer, Santhekoppalu was the chief guest who said that the day is celebrated annually to draw attention to a specific health topics of concern to people all over the world and explained the consciousness of public about their health after Covid-19 Pandemic and also counseled everyone to take care of their health with certain tips. Dr. K.N. Muniswamy Gowda, Dean (Agri.) explained the



Health check-up during World Health Day at CoA, Mandya

importance of healthy nutrition and diet to up-keep the health and suggested to practice Yoga every day. The day was also celebrated at CoA, Mandya and on the occasion, Random Blood Sugar and Hemoglobin test campaign was organized for girl students and ladies staff of the campus. Dr. D. Raghupathi, Dean (Agri.), CoA, Mandya highlighted the importance of 'World Health Day' and urged the girls to be proactive about their health and take steps to prevent illness and diseases.



Vice-Chancellor and Officers with the faculty of UniTech Papua New Guinea and Scientists of University of New South Wales, Australia after interaction meet for collaborative efforts on 22nd April, 2024

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ZREP Workshop - 2024 of Zone V

ZONAL RESEARCH AND EXTENSION Programme Workshop of Zone V was organized at GKVK, Bengaluru on 23rd & 24th April, 2024. Dr. S.V. Suresha, Vice-Chancellor inaugurated the programme and chaired the Technical Session-I. Director of Research and Director of Extension participated in the inaugural session. Progressive farmers namely Shri Keshavamurthy from Ramanagara; Shri S. Muniraju from Doddaballapura; Shri T.N. Yoganandamurthy from Tiptur and Shri T.N. Shivaprasad & Shri T.M. Manjunath from Kolar participated in the programme and presented the problems faced by the farmers. Smt. Umber Farid, Joint Director of Agriculture (Planning), KSDA, Bengaluru and officials from office of the Joint Director of Agriculture, Bengaluru, Tumakuru, Chikkaballapura, Kolar and Ramanagara presented the local field problems and results of farm trials. Sr. Scientist and Heads of KVKs also presented the field problems and results of the farm trials. MAH-15-84 Hybrid Maize, KBC-12 variety of Cowpea and KBSH-90 Hybrid of Sunflower were accepted for release. Fourteen technologies were accepted for inclusion in the package of practices. Six products developed by the University were accepted for commercialization. New technical programmes in different disciplines were also discussed during the workshop. Registrar, Director of Research, Director of Extension and Dean (Agri.), CoA, GKVK participated in the deliberations in different sessions.

Other Accomplishments

- Dr. N.B. Prakash, Dean (Agri.), College of Agriculture, GKVK, Bengaluru is nominated as a member of Peer Review Team to verify Self Study Reports of the Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana for Accreditation from the National Agricultural Education Accreditation Board of ICAR during 2024-25
- Ms. P.K. Uthara, student of MBA(ABM) under the chairmanship of Dr. Siddayya, Professor & Head, IABM has been selected for Doctoral Programme in Management at IIMA in the CMA (Agriculture)
- College of Agriculture, GKVK, Bengaluru ushered-in the Finishing School Programme on 29th April, 2024 for 398 students that includes nine different modules of HoT covering 12 topics for a period of six weeks up to 6th June, 2024

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