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CICR Coordinates ICAR Stalls in “Maha Agro 2016” Exhibition, Aurangabad

ICAR-CICR coordinated ICAR stalls during Four day long State-Level Agriculture Exhibition “Maha Agro 2016” held from 24-27 December, 2016 at Ayodhya Nagari Ground, Station Road, Aurangabad, Maharashtra. The event was organized by Marathwada Sheti Sahayya Mandal (MSSM) in Association with Maharashtra Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture (MACCIA), Agriculture Department of Central and State Governments. ICAR-CICR was given the responsibility from the council to coordinate the allocation of space in the 20 stalls. The organizers provided space of 160 sq mtr for each ICAR institutes and KVKs. More than ten ICAR institutes participates includes CIAE, Bhopal; CIRCOT, Mumbai,. CRIDA, Hyderabad; National Institute of Abiotic Stress Management, Malegaon Baramati,; Indian Institute of Millets Research, Hyderabad; Indian Institute of Oilseeds Research, Hyderabad,; National Research Centre for Pomegranate, Solapur; National Bureau of Soil Survey and Land Use Planning, Nagpur; Directorate on Onion and Garlic Research, Pune; National Research Centre for Grapes, Pune and CICR Nagpur. Krishi Vigyan Kendras from Maharashtra actively participated with more than 10 KVK's from government, private and NGO's were from Solapur, Pune, Nashik, Nandurbar,, Nanded, Beed, Satara also participated with technology depicting through posters and live materials. Best efforts were made and an impressive display of technologies was arranged by all the ICAR participating institutes and KVKVs. CICR Nagpur also put up the stall and displayed the technologies like color cotton, Bt express kit, e-Kapas, management of cotton reddening and the farm implements developed by the institute. Also highlighted activities of institute such as CICR developed cotton varieties/hybrids, cotton production technologies, pests management, diseases management, biotechnological tools, high density planting system, etc. Live materials such as Bt detection kits, samples of color cotton, fiber variability etc. were also kept which was an attraction for the visiting farmers. Large numbers more than 20,000 farmers and other stake holders visited to ICAR - CICR stalls from Marathwada region and other parts. Visitors were keen to know more about Bt detection kits, HDPS, colour cotton, e-Kapas, etc. More than one thousand farmers registered with their mobile number for CICR 'e-Kapas 'dissemination system during the period. The farmers were more interested in research on effective



weed control, machine for intercultural operations and cotton picking machine. There was also a demand of seed of color cotton and its marketing by several visiting farmers. Overall, more than 200 exhibitors showcase their products in agriculture and its allied sectors at Exhibition ground at Aurangabad. Hon'ble Minister Shri Radha Mohan Singhji, Union Minister for Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Govt of India attended the exhibition on the concluding ceremony on 27th December along with host of other leaders. Dr S. M. Wasnik, Principal Scientist; Extension, CICR, Nagpur Coordinated the activities. The other team members Dr Vivek Shah, Scientist, Sh. B. Fande & Sh R. M. Ramteke both Technical's also participated and guided the visiting farmers during the period.



New Year Celebrations

New year 2017 was welcomed by the staff of ICAR-CICR, Nagpur by organizing fun games & cultural program. The staff greeted each other for happy and prosperous life in 2017. All Ex- Directors of CICR were invited on the occasion. All the staff members along with RAs, SRFs, JRFs, PA and skilled helpers participated the function.



Superannuation

Smt Manjula Kamble, Skilled Supporting Staff superannuated on 31st January, 2016 from the service of ICAR-CICR, Nagpur on the completion of 60 years age. A farewell function was organised on January 2, 2017 in this regard. CICR wishes her a happy retired life.



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