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33rd Foundation Day

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ICAR-CAFRI, Jhansi celebrated its 33rd Foundation Day on 8th May, 2020 virtually. Dr. S K Chaudhari, DDG (NRM) was the Chief Guest. Dr. S Bhaskar, ADG (Agronomy, Agroforestry and Climate Change) presided over the function. Dr. Javed Rizvi, Regional Director, South Asia Programme, ICRAF, New Delhi joined the celebration as the Guest of Honour. Dr. S K Dhyani, Former Director, CAFRI was also present on the occasion. At the outset, Dr. R K Tewari, Director (A), CAFRI welcomed the dignitaries and briefed about the achievements of the Institute during the preceding year especially the work on agroforestry based watershed development, mapping of agroforestry area and carbon sequestration potential at all India level. He also highlighted about the international training conducted by ICAR-CAFRI in collaboration with ICRAF.



Dr. Javed Rizvi observed that CAFRI is one of the closest partner of ICRAF. He appreciated the linkages thereof. Dr. Rizvi told that during last year ICRAF has offered 31 life membership of Indian Society of Agroforestry for subscription of Indian Journal of Agroforestry.

Dr. S Bhaskar commented the work done and achievements of ICAR-CAFRI. He also narrated the upscaling of agroforestry technologies and initiate research on agroforestry systems for their socio-economic imperatives.

Dr. S K Chaudhari, Chief Guest of the function appreciated the efforts of CAFRI for its research achievements. He emphasized the role of agroforestry in reclaiming degraded wastelands and also in watershed management. He advised CAFRI to develop linkages with states. In the end, Dr. A K Handa thanked all the dignitaries of the 33rd Foundation Day of CAFRI, Jhansi. All participants observed prescribed preventive measures of COVID-19 during the function.

EVENTS

Online Review Meeting

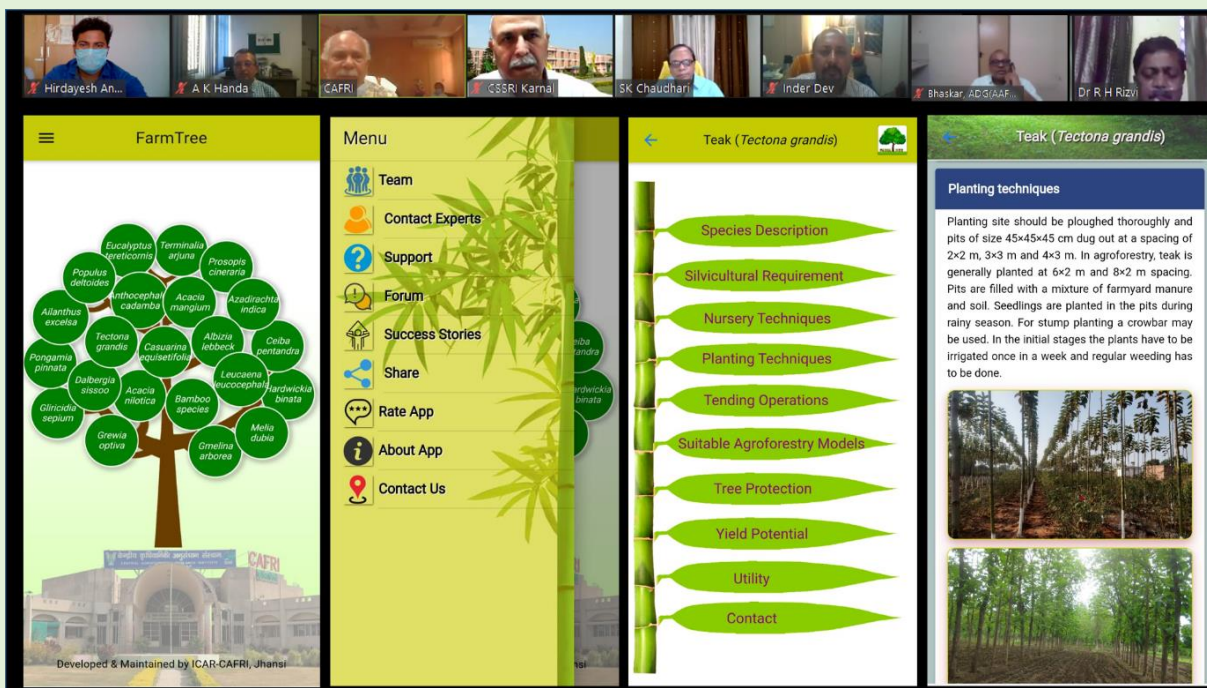
Online Review of CAFRI, Jhansi was conducted under the Chairmanship of Dr. S K Chaudhari, DDG (NRM), ICAR, New Delhi on 23rd May, 2020. Dr. R K Tewari, Director (A), CAFRI, Jhansi presented the achievements (2017-2020) of the Institute and future line of work for 2020-2025. Dr. A K Handa, Principal Scientist (Agroforestry) also presented the achievements of AICRP on Agroforestry and elucidated future plan. Dr. S K Chaudhari appreciated the work done by the Institute.



Launch of 'FarmTree' Mobile App for Agroforestry Farmers of India

FarmTree (English version) an android based application developed by ICAR-CAFRI, Jhansi was virtually launched by Dr. S K Chaudhari, DDG (NRM), ICAR, New Delhi during the online Review Meeting of the institute on 23rd May, 2020. This App initially consisted of detailed information on 22 tree species of agroforestry importance along with supporting photographs. **'FarmTree'** was developed by Dr. R H Rizvi, Dr. A K Handa, Dr. S B Chavan, Mr. H Anuragi, Mr. R Vishnu, Dr. Asha Ram and Mr. Abhishek Deb under the guidance of Dr. R K Tewari, Director CAFRI. This App is freely available on our website: www.cafri.res.in, google play store and can be downloaded using the link:

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.cafri.farmtree>



MEETINGS

Research Advisory Committee (RAC)

The RAC meeting of ICAR-CAFRI, Jhansi was held virtually on 15th May, 2020 under the chairmanship of Hon'ble Dr. K Gurumurthi. Dr. S Bhaskar, ADG (AA & CC), NRM Division, ICAR, New Delhi; Dr. S K Dhyani, Senior Agroforestry Expert, World Agroforestry (ICRAF), New Delhi; Dr. S D Bhardwaj, Former Dean, Y S P University of Horti. & Forestry, Solan; Dr. A K Mandal, Former Director, TFRI, Jabalpur; Dr. P K Patnaik, Former Dean, OUAT, Bhubneshwar; Dr. R C Dhiman, Former General Manager, WIMCO Seedling Limited, R&D Centre, Bagwala, Kashipur Road, Rudrapur; Dr. R K Tewari, Director (A), ICAR-CAFRI, Jhansi and Dr. Inder Dev, Pr. Scientist & Member secretary RAC participated in the meeting.

Institute Research Council (IRC)

The IRC meeting of ICAR-CAFRI, Jhansi was conducted on 19th-20th & 22nd June, 2020. All scientists of the institute participated and presented the progress of their research work.

DAYS OBSERVED

Women Day

On 8th March, 2020 'Women Day' was observed by the Institute at Rajapur village of Babina Block in Jhansi. Total 125 farm women from the village have participated in the programme.

Constitution Day

On 14th April, 2020 'Constitution Day' was observed at ICAR-CAFRI. Dr R K Tewari, Director read the preamble of our constitution. All the staff of CAFRI attended the function.

International Day of Yoga

6th International Day of Yoga was observed on 21st June, 2020 as per the theme of IDY-2020 "Yoga at Home and Yoga with Family" was observed. Due to COVID-19 pandemic, the Yoga Day celebration was done in accordance with the social-distancing protocol.

GOSTHI/TRAINING ORGANIZED

Kisan Gosthi

Kisan Gosthi at village Rajapur, Block-Babina in Jhansi district on 29th February, 2020. 150 farmers from village Rajapur (District Jhansi) had participated in the programme.



Ber Pruning

Training programme on 'Ber' pruning at Village- Rajapur, Block-Babina in Jhansi district (U.P.) on 9th June, 2020.



EXHIBITIONS

ICAR-CAFRI, Jhansi participated and exhibited agroforestry stall in,

- Kisan Mela Krishi Vijay-2020 conducted by RVSKVV, Gwalior (M.P.) during January 28-30, 2020
- National Conference on "Resource Conservation and Jalshakti: Farmers Perspective in Bundelkhand (RCSSJ-2020)" organized by ICAR-IISWC, Regional Centre, Datia on February 03-05, 2020
- Kisan Mela -2020 organized by ICAR-IGFRI, Jhansi on 14th February, 2020.

PARTICIPATION OF CAFRI SCIENTISTS IN TRAINING/WORKSHOP/MEETINGS/ SYMPOSIA

- Dr A K Handa participated in ICAR-NRM Division Divisional Committee Meeting for Monitoring and Reviewing the Progress of Foreign Aided Projects organized by NASC Complex New Delhi on 29th January, 2020.
- Sh. Lal Chand participated in Winter School on Non-Conventional Approaches for Genetic Improvement of Perennial Horticultural Crops organized by ICAR-IARI, New Delhi from 17th January to 6th February, 2020.
- Dr. R K Tewari, Dr. R P Dwivedi, Dr. (Er.) Ramesh Singh, Dr. Naresh Kumar, Dr. Asha Ram, Dr. Sushil Kumar, Dr. Dhiraj Kumar & Mr. Hirdayesh Anuragi have participated in National conference on Resource Conservation for soil security and Jalshakti: Farmers perspective in Bundelkhand (RCSSJ-2020) conducted by ICAR-IISWC RC, Datia from 03rd to 05th February, 2020.
- Mrs. Alka Bharati attended the training on Climate change: challenges and response for women scientist at Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration, Mussoorie from 10th to 14th February, 2020.
- Sh. S. Suresh Ramanan participated in Webinar series on 'Post-COVID Era: Mainstreaming Biodiversity and Nature in Development Agenda' organized by International Biodiversity Congress (IBC), Thiruvananthapuram from 22nd May, 2020; 'How to Work From Home Effectively as an Early Career Researcher' organized by Springer-Nature from 27th May, 2020; 'From Volcanoes To Bicycles: Roles and Responsibilities for Inventing in Crisis Mode' organized by NCBS, Bengaluru - Bangalore Life Science Cluster from 28th May, 2020; 'A Noon About The Online World Is Online' by College of Forestry, KAU, Thrissur, Kerala on 31st May, 2020; 'Bamboo Resource Utilisation in Kerala: Prospects and Challenges' organized by KFRI, Peechi, Kerala on 11th June 2020; online certificate course on 'Remote Sensing & GIS Technology and Applications' organized by IIRS, Dehradun 13th June, 2020 to 1st July, 2020; 'Agroforestry With Bamboos as A Means for Social Outreach And Business' organized by KFRI, Peechi, Kerala on 23rd June, 2020 and National Webinar on Awareness and Use of CeRA Resources Through J-Gate Discovery Platform conducted by DKMA-ICAR, New Delhi on 25th June 2020.
- Ms. Priyanka Singh attended the webinar series on 'Quantitative Methods for Social Sciences' organized by ICAR-NIAP, New Delhi on 1st to 23th June, 2020 and lecture series on 'Agricultural Development' organized by ICAR-NIAP, New Delhi on 24th June, 2020.
- Mr. R Vishnu participated in online certificate course on 'Remote Sensing & GIS Technology and Applications' organized by IIRS, Dehradun 13th June, 2020 to 1st July, 2020.

PERSONNEL

The following new scientists joined the Institute on 4th April, 2020

- Ms. Priyanka Singh, Scientist (Agricultural Economics)
- Mrs. Aswathy Chandrakumar, Scientist (Agricultural Extension)
- Sh. S Suresh Ramanan, Scientist (Agroforestry)

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