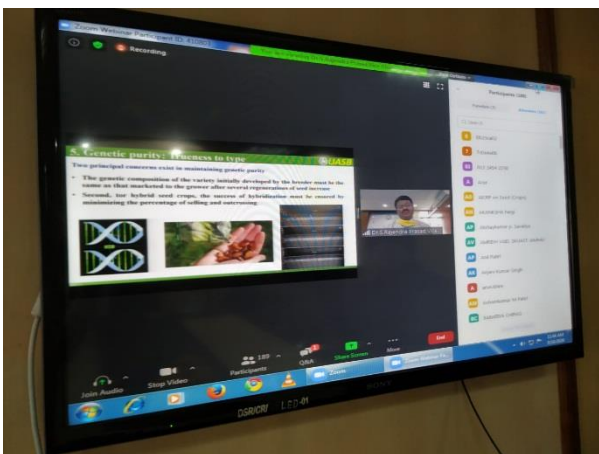


ICAR – Indian Institute of Seed Science, Mau

National Webinar ‘Contemplative perspectives on Seed: Conservation, Quality Assurance and Supply Systems’ held on 10.09.2020

ICAR-Indian Institute of Seed Science, Mau organized one day national webinar on ‘**Contemplative perspectives on Seed: Conservation, Quality Assurance and Supply Systems**’ on 10th September 2020. The inaugural session was graced by Dr. S.A. Patil, Former Chairman, Farmers Commission of Karnataka & Former Director, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi as Chief Guest. Technical session consisted of deliberations from three resource speakers viz. Dr. S. Rajendra Prasad, Vice-chancellor, UAS, Bengaluru; Dr. D.K. Yadava, ADG (Seed), ICAR and Dr. Jayanthi Nadarajan Chair, TCOM on seed storage, ISTA & Science Team Leader- Germplasm Conservation, The Plant & Food Research Institute of New Zealand. Approximately, 250 participants viz. Vice Chancellors & Director of Research of various SAUs, Directors of ICAR Institutes, Project Coordinators from Crops science Division, Scientists from SAUs & ICAR Institutes, Nodal Officers of AICRP-NSP (Crops) & ICAR Seed Project, representatives from SSCs, SSCAs, STLs, State Dept. of Agriculture, Public & private seed sector, students from SAUs/CAUs/ ICAR institutes and other stakeholders of Indian seed industry joined this webinar from across the country.

Dr. Arvind Nath Singh, Director, ICAR-IISS, Mau welcomed the Chief Guest, Resource Speakers and audience and rendered opening remarks for the webinar. Chief Guest Dr. S.A. Patil highlighted about the importance of seed in meeting national food and nutritional security. He also emphasized on creation of centre of excellence on maintenance breeding & seed technology at ICAR-IARI, New Delhi, promotion of old mega varieties etc. Dr. Jayanthi Nadarajan delivered the talk on ‘Seed Conservation Science: Advances & Challenges’. Dr. S. Rajendra Prasad delivered the talk on ‘Advances in seed quality assurance for improved seed delivery’ and Dr. D.K. Yadava delivered talk on ‘Seed production & supply system in India: opportunities & challenges’. Dr. Sripathy K.V., Scientist, ICAR-IISS, Mau moderated the webinar. The webinar ended with the formal vote of thanks by Dr. Govind Pal, Principal Scientist, ICAR-IISS, Mau.



Glimpses of Webinar held on 10.09.2020