

Celebration of “Rashtriya Mahila Kisan Diwas” on 15.10.2020 at ICAR-IISS, Mau

As part of the nationwide celebration of ‘Rashtriya Mahila Kisan Divas’, one day programme was organized by ICAR-Indian Institute of Seed Science, Mau on 15th October, 2020 with the participation of 20 women farmers of nearby villages. The programme was inaugurated by the women employees of ICAR-IISS with the lighting of the lamp. Dr. (Mrs.) Kalyani Kumari Scientist, ICAR-IISS delivered the welcome address and elaborated importance of the day and explained briefly about the various initiatives taken by ICAR to strengthen the role of farm women in agriculture sector.

Dr. A. N. Singh, I/c Director addressed the farm women and talked about the necessity for empowering and encouraging women farmers. They explained that women comprise a major workforce in Indian agriculture and play multi-dimensional role in agriculture and allied sectors.

Dr. Dhanya V. G. Scientist, ICAR-IISS elucidated the importance of farm women in agriculture. Dr. Soma Gupta and Mrs. Vinita Ramtekey ICAR-IISS shared her views on the topic and gave an overview of the importance of women empowerment in Agriculture. Miss Nisha Technical Assistant, ICAR-IISS highlighted the difficulties and several inequalities used to face by women farm workers. In spite of working for longer hours, they are being paid lesser than their counterparts. Dr. Vishal Tyagi, Scientist, ICAR-IISS appreciated the contribution of farm women in agriculture production.

The women farmers were felicitated by Dr. Govind Pal, Principal Scientist, IISS, Mau and each provided with 10 kg quality wheat seed and earthworm culture to enable them to commence production and use of vermicompost in their respective farms. Women farmers also found benefited through visit of vermi compost unit and crop cafeteria present at IISS, Mau.

All the staff of IISS, Mau participated in the programme. The function ended with a formal vote of thanks by Dr. Kalyani Kumari, Scientist, ICAR-IISS, Mau.

Name of Institute	Name of State	Number of participants
ICAR- Indian Institute of Seed Science, Mau	Uttar Pradesh	20 farm women



Inauguration of function



Director (I/c) Dr. A. N. Singh addressed warm women



Farm women visited to vermicompost unit



Distribution of earthworm culture to farm women



Dr. Dhanya V.G. elaborated role of women farmer



Farm women visited to crop cafeteria at ICAR-IISS, Mau



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Glimpses of “Rashtriya Mahila Kisan Diwas” Celebration on 15.10.2020 at ICAR-IISS, Mau