



IAT Bangalore Activities



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The deliberations of the AGM are as follows.

Proceedings of the 40th Annual General Body Meeting of the Institution of Agricultural Technologists, Bangalore for the year 2011-12, held on Saturday the 29th December 2012 at 2-30 P.M. at Dr. H.R. Arakeri Auditorium of the Institution.

The members assembled for the Annual General Body meeting at 2-30 P.M. and 462(Four hundred and sixty two) members as against the total membership strength of 3495 (Three thousand four hundred ninety five only) were present in the Annual General Body Meeting. As the number was satisfying the quorum requirement, the President Dr.K.V.Sarvesh who presided over the AGM called the 40th AGM to order.

(1) Welcome : The Secretary Sri. K.J. Devendrappa extended warm welcome to all the members present and requested the President to preside over the meeting. Further deliberations were carried out as per the agenda.

The President Dr. K.V. Sarvesh who presided over the meeting declared the 40th Annual General Body Meeting open.

Reverence to the departed members : Paying homage to the departed technocrats during the period from the previous General Body to this General Body. The house observed two minutes silence in respect of the following eighteen members : viz.

Sriyuths :

- (1) D.G. Wesley, Principal Conservator of Forest (Rtd.)
- (2) R. Hanuma Naik, Marketing Officer, KOF
- (3) N.R. Mudalagiriappa, ADA (Rtd.)
- (4) C.V. Naik, JDA (Rtd.)
- (5) Vijayakumar Chadda, Custodian, Maryland High School
- (6) K. Gopalakrishna, Addl. Director of Agri (Rtd.)
- (7) G.R. Gopala Reddy, Seed Producer/Dealer
- (8) Bhoge Gowda, DDH (Rtd.)
- (9) N. Ramappa, DDA (Rtd.)
- (10) Dr. Shivappa Shetty, Prof. of Microbiology, UAS (B), (Rtd)
- (11) S.V. Prakash, DDA (Rtd.)
- (12) M.A. Srinivasan, JDA (Rtd.)
- (13) Kubera Reddy, Manager, KSSC Ltd.,
- (14) Vikram R. Mane, Canara Bank (Rtd.)
- (15) Dr. H.S. Hanumanthappa, Dean, UAS(B), (Rtd.)
- (16) Chandrashekhara, ADA (Rtd.)
- (17) M. Narayanaswamy, A.D. Fisheries, (Rtd.)
- (18) Srihari, Seed Certification Officer, KSSCA

(2) To read the notice calling for the 40th Annual General Body meeting of the Institution.

Sri. K.J. Devnedrappa, Secretary of the Institution read the meeting notice dated.16th November 2012



calling for the 40th Annual General Body Meeting of the Institution.

(3) Confirmation of the proceedings of the 39th Annual General Body Meeting held on 01-10-2011 and action taken there off.

The Secretary placed the 39th AGM proceedings held on 1st October 2011 before the August body and requested to confirm the proceedings.

Dr. K.V. Sarvesh, President, requested the August body to offer comments if any on the proceedings of the 39th AGM held on 1st October 2011. Since there were no comments. Dr. B.S. Nadagoudar proposed for adoption and was seconded by Dr. Challaiah.

The General Body unanimously approved the proceedings including the action taken thereoff.

(4) To consider and adopt the Annual Report for the period ending March 2012.

The Secretary presented the Annual Report of activities of the Institution for the year 2011-12 as furnished in pages 9 to 29 of the AGM report and sought the approval of the August Body. Sri.Shobana Murthy, Senior IATian proposed for approval of the Annual Report and was seconded by Sri.G.Gurusiddaiah.

The house unanimously approved to adopt the Annual Report for the year 2011-12.

(5) To consider and adopt the Annual Balance Sheet, as on 31st March 2012 and Income and Expenditure account.

(a) Receipts and Payments and Income and Expenditure

The Treasurer, Sri. K. Krishnappa while presenting the auditors report pertaining to the Receipts and Payments accounts, Income and Expenditure accounts and the Balance Sheet for the year 2011-12, as furnished in pages 31 to 40 of the AGM report, requested the august body to approve the same.

Dr. M. Mallappa, former Director of Agriculture and a senior IATian proposed for adoption of the Annual Balance Sheet and Dr.T.K.Prabhakar Setty former Director of Research,UAS(B) and a senior IATian seconded the approval.

The General Body unanimously accepted the Balance Sheet as on 31-03-2012, including the Receipts, Payments and Income and Expenditure Statements for the year 2011-12.

(b) Ratification of Expenditure incurred by the M.C. during the year 2011-12 exceeding the powers of M.C.

The Treasurer Sri.K.Krishnappa requested the General Body, to ratify the payment of

Rs.2,30,000/- (Two lakhs thirty thousand) to IAT Regional Chapter, Chitradurga for Extension/ Renovation of IAT Building for its better utilization.

Sri. G. Gurusiddaiah proposed for adoption and Dr. Prabhakar Setty seconded.

The General Body unanimously ratified the payment of Rs.2.30 lakhs made to IAT Regional Chapter, Chitradurga.

(6) To approve the budget for the year 2012-13.

The Treasurer, Sri.K.Krishnappa, presented the budget proposal for the year 2012-13 as furnished in pages 41 and 42 of the AGM booklet and sought the approval of the General Body.

Dr.Shivamurthappa proposed for approval which was seconded by Dr. B.S. Nadagoudar. The General Body unanimously approved the budget proposal for the year 2012-13.

(7) To appoint Auditors to audit the accounts for the year 2012-13 and fix their remuneration.

The Treasurer Sri.K.Krishnappa, proposed for the continuation of the present auditors M/s.Lakshmipathaiah and Co. for the year 2012-13 and to pay their remuneration depending on the work load and financial transactions.

Dr.Shivamurthappa proposed for adoption which was seconded by Dr. Shanthamallaiah.

The General Body unanimously approved to continue the present auditors for the year 2012-13 and to pay their remuneration.

(8) To consider written proposals, if any received by the Secretary.

The Secretary Sri. K.J. Devendrappa placed before the AG Body, the three letters from the honorable members(1) Secretary, Regional Chapter, Chitradurga, (2) Sri.K.J.Manjappa and (3)Prof.V.Veerabhadraiah regarding increasing the strength / allocation of M.C. members, Districtwise / Dept.wise / Regionwise and Genderwise.

The President Dr. K.V. Sarvesh opened the subject for discussion and requested to offer suggestions. Senior IATians like Shobanamurthy, Kantharaj, Gurusiddaiah, Dr.Nadagoudar, Yelladahalli, Suresh, Udaykumar, Dr.Challaiah, Sampangi Reddy, Dr. T.K. Prabhakar Setty and others were actively participated in the discussions on the subject.

The suggestions emerged are as under :

- Agro-Input Industries to include under IAT
- NGOs to include under IAT.



- Districtwise allocation for MC members.
- Agroclimaticwise representation.
- Departmentwise allocations.
- Women reservation.
- Percentage of M.C. members to total membership.
- Quota for the members regionwise based on life members.
- Increasing the strength of M.C. members.

Dr. B.S. Nadagoudar intervened and stated that, since the bylaws have to be amended, he suggested to form a working group among the M.C. members and to discuss the subject in detail and to come out with fresh proposals. The President agreed to his suggestions and said that the matter will be discussed in the Managing Committee.

(iv) The Secretary placed before the August Body the letter received by Dr. N.G. Raghumohan, Former Head and Principal Scientist, ICAR suggesting to provide the profile of candidates like age, experience, service, social contacts, their capabilities to run IAT so that better and competent candidate can be selected in the elections to the M.C. of IAT.

The subject was kept opened for discussion. After a brief discussion on the subject the President Dr. K.V. Sarvesh expressed that it is difficult to give the profile of a candidate by the sitting Managing Committee. However the President informed the August Body that the subject will be discussed in the M.C. and appropriate decision will be taken.

(v) The Secretary placed before the Annual General Body, the letter received from Sri.K.H.Seetharama Reddy senior IATian from Chitradurga with suggestions to publish the Krishi Tantrajna once in two months as it is not being done. He also suggested to get the approval of Annual Budget with in one month of commencement of the financial year, instead of seeking approval at the fag end of the year.

Sri. Seetharama Reddy has further suggested to send invitations to all the life members of IAT for seminars/ lecture programmes, instead of restricting to Bangaloreans.

Some of the members present in the Annual General Body suggested to send the Krishi Tantrajna by email, in addition to the printed copies.

Dr. K.V. Sarvesh assured the August Body that an appropriate action will be taken on the points raised in the letter of Sri.Seetharama Reddy.

(vi) The Secretary placed before the August Body, the letter received from Sri. M.J. Arun with regards to starting of a Cultural Association of IAT members in the second floor of the existing building after erecting a light roof.

The subject was discussed at length and some of the members supported the issue and some have raised doubts in having cultural association in IAT and opined that, it becomes a major activity in the Technical Institute of this type.

At this point of discussion Dr.K.V.Sarvesh intervened and stated that, since the issue needs further discussion in the M.C., he assured the August Body that appropriate action will be taken after discussing the issue in the M.C. meeting,

Other subjects :

The following suggestions were made by some of the IATians.

- (i) Dr. M.M. Kailash and Sri. S. Narayana Swamy suggested to have cultural activities.
- (ii) Sri. Suresh suggested to give prominence to Health aspect of life members in addition to cultural aspects.
- (iii) Dr. T.K. Siddarama Gowda suggested that IAT and Alumni Association of UAS to coordinate in organizing the programmes.

(9) Address by the President :

Dr. K.V. Sarvesh in his Presidential address thanked all the IATians in their cooperation in the achievements of this M.C. under different subjects, to name a few are :

- (i) Interaction sessions of farmers, farmer leaders, scientists, marketing department etc.
- (ii) Implementation of Krishi Ankura programme.
- (iii) Lecture programmes
- (iv) Seminars at taluk/hobli levels
- (v) Building alterations.
- (vi) Organizing Video conference etc.

The President Dr. K.V. Sarvesh assured the members assembled in the AGM that, the suggestions of all the members will be considered favourably wherever possible and requested their cooperation in future also.

The President further informed the August body that alteration to the IAT's main building has been taken up as per the decision of the AGM and complimented the members of the Core Committee, for their sincere efforts in building alterations.

(10) Vote of thanks.

The Treasurer Sri.K.Krishnappa proposed the vote of thanks to all the members present in the Annual General Body besides the President, the M.C. members and the office staff in conducting the AGM systematically.

The President Dr.K.V.Sarvesh declared the 40th AGM closed.

Bangalore
05-01-2013

Sd./-
Secretary



NEW BODY FOR 2012-15

The new body for IAT for the period from 2012-15 with office bearers, members and Co-opt members is as follows.



Dr. K.V. Sarvesh
President



Dr. D. Rajagopal
Vice-President



Prof. V. Veerabhadraiah
Vice-President



Sri. K.J. Devendrappa
Secretary



Sri. K. Anand Krishna
Joint Secretary



Sri. T.V. Gurudevaiah
Treasurer



Dr. A. Rajanna
Member



Smt. C.N. Nandini Kumari
Member



Dr. Shivamurthappa
Member



Dr. H.R. Prakash
Member



Dr. Lingappa B. Hugar
Member



Dr. S. Jaganath
Member



Dr. N. Krishnamurthy
Member



Dr. M. Mallappa
Co-opted Member



Dr. P. Margoob Hussain
Co-opted Member



Sri. Channabasavaiah
Co-opted Member



Sri. N.P. Shivashankar
Co-opted Member

INTERACTION SESSION



An interaction session with Farmers, Scientists and Department officials on the Final Verdict of Cauvery Tribunal was organized on 4th March 2013

IAT Bangalore had arranged an Interaction session with the farmers, scientists and the Departmental officials on the final verdict of Cauvery Tribunal at the conference hall of IAT on the 4th March 2013 at 11-00

A.M. The main speakers on the occasion were Capt. Raja Rao, Retired Chief Engineer, Minor Irrigation and Secretary, Environment Department, Government of Karnataka, Sri. K. Boraiah, Progressive Farmer and member, Cauvery Kutumba, Gopalapura, Mandya district and Prof. Gubbaiah, Retired Agricultural Scientist, Mandya.

At the outset Vice-President Prof. V. Veerabhadraiah while welcoming the participants explained the purpose of calling the Interaction session.

Capt. Raja Rao while presenting the details of the verdict, said that both the States, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu have to accept the verdict of the Tribunal since it cannot be questioned even in the court. Capt. Raja Rao said that according to the report of Cauvery Water Disputes Tribunal, Karnataka, particularly Mandya farmers have to cultivate only 40000 ha. of sugarcane by using Cauvery river water. As a result he said that Sugar Industry will suffer a lot. He suggested to change the cropping pattern, crop growing systems etc. Digging borewells along the nalas to tap Ground water to grow semi irrigated crops, System of Rice



Intensification(SRI) method of paddy cultivation etc. to be given top priority.

Capt. Raja Rao further suggested that the Government should think in the direction of diverting the west flowing rivers. He also suggested construction of barrages to store the water in order to improve the water table in the soils.

Sri. Boraiah, Progressive farmer and member of Cauvery Kutumba of Mandya stated that the farmers in Tamil Nadu are wise in utilizing the Cauvery Water judicially. He suggested that farmers of Karnataka in General, and Mandya farmers in particular to visit the Cauvery basin of Tamil Nadu and study the cropping pattern followed in that state and to implement the same in Mandya district. He also suggested that the farmers of both the states to settle the issue amicably without harming the farmers of both the states.

Prof. Gubbaiah, while speaking on the occasion appealed to the participants to appraise the farmers in the judicious use of water for the crops by following System of Rice Intensification(SRI) method of Paddy cultivation and to avoid wastage of water in the nalas.

The meeting was presided over by Dr. B.K. Dharmarajan, Additional Director of Agriculture, Department of Agriculture, GoK, Bangalore. About 40 members, scientists, departmental officials, farmers besides media persons attended the Interaction Session. Sri. Anandakrishna, Chairperson, Agribusiness and Consultancy of IAT extended vote of thanks.

Training Institute, Bagalkot under joint auspices of Department of Agriculture and IAT Bagalkot on "Maintenance of Sugarcane Ratoon". IATian and Joint Director of Agriculture, Dr. Gurumurthy, presided over the programme. Dr. S.C. Angadi, Agricultural Research Centre, Bagalkot participated in the interaction and addressed the queries of farmers. Dr. Chetana Patil, Deputy Director of Agriculture and President, IAT Regional Chapter Bagalkot released the booklet on the topic. During the interaction, the damage caused by "Root Grub" and its control measures were discussed at length. Farmers decided to fight on 'War foot basis' to control this pest by following 'Fall Ploughing' during summer and using 'Lights' to collect the beetles during early monsoon at the appropriate time.

Workshop on Agricultural Processing



Training programme on "Agricultural Processing Units" was conducted at Bagalkot on 19th March 2013.

On 19-3-2013 under 2012-13 INSIMP scheme "Agricultural Processing Units" were distributed to 26 farmers groups and Primary Co-op Societies in one day workshop organized jointly by IAT and Department of Agriculture, Bagalkot. Senior IATian and Joint Director of Agriculture Dr. Gurumurthy participated in the programme as chief guest. Dr. B.M. Hiremath, Coordinator, KFRD, Bagalkot associated in the workshop. Dr. Anusuya Hugar, Asst. Director of Agriculture and Treasurer, IAT Bagalkot presided over the workshop. IATian Dr. M.B. Avatageri, Project Director, ATMA scheme compeered the programme.

Bhoochetana – Second Green Revolution

Bhoochetana workshop was conducted on 21st and 22nd March 2013 at District Agricultural Training Centre, Bagalkot under joint collaboration of Department of Agriculture, Watershed Development Department, Agricultural Research Centre, Bagalkot, ICRISAT, Hyderabad and IAT Bagalkot.

Dr. Sreeshila Diddimani, Deputy Director of Horticulture and Joint Secretary, IAT Bagalkot inaugurated the workshop. IATian Dr. Gurumurthy,

ACTIVITIES OF REGIONAL CHAPTERS

BAGALKOT

Maintenance of Sugarcane Ratoon

One day Scientists and Farmer's Interaction Session was organized on 5-2-2013 at District Farmer's



One day Scientists and Farmer's Interactive Programme was organized on "Maintenance of Sugarcane Ratoon" at Bagalkot



Dr. Sreeshila Diddimani, Deputy Director of Horticulture and Joint Secretary, IAT Bagalkot inaugurated the workshop on 21st March 2013 at District Agricultural Training Centre, Bagalkot

Joint Director of Agriculture, presided over the programme and highlighted the importance of micro-nutrients in different crop production. He emphasized that “Bhoochetana” is leading Agriculture towards Second Green Revolution in the state. Dr. K.A. Jamakhandi spoke about “Documentary skills” and conducted demonstrations. Deputy Director of Agriculture and President, IAT Regional Chapter Bagalkot Dr. Chetana Patil actively participated in the workshop.

BIJAPUR

Spirulina for Orphans to Supplement Malnutrition



Spirulina for orphans to supplement malnutrition was organized at Bijapur on 15-3-2013

This programme was organized at Bijapur on 15-3-2013 in collaboration with Spirulina Fondation (R), IAT Regional chapter, Bijapur and Orphans managed by Sri Desai. The programme was chaired by Sri Nadagoud S.G. Vice president, IAT Regional Chapter, Bijapur and addressed the orphans to make use of Spirulina to supplement regular diet to combat malnutrition. They need to consume two tablets in the morning and evening. Dr. Karigoudar advised the orphans, how to keep clean, healthy and study well to

compete with regular students at school. Dr. Karigoudar collected blood samples from all the orphans to test the malnutrition level and same test will repeat after one month to confirm the impact of Spirulina. The Spirulina tablets supplied by Distributors located at Bijapur. Finally thanked by Dr. Ashok S. Sajjan Associate Professor and Secretary, IAT Regional chapter, Bijapur.

CHITRADURGA

Republic Day celebrations

IAT Chitradurga conducted Republic day celebrations on 26-1-2013. Sri.R.Krishnamurthy, President IAT hoisted National Flag at 7.45 AM and addressed the gathering. Several IAT members, officers from Department of Agriculture, Horticulture, Watershed department and Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Sciences participated in the programme.

M.C. Meeting

IAT conducted its monthly meeting on 12-2-2013 under the Chairmanship of Sri.R.Krishnamurthy, President, IAT and reviewed the progress. The executive committee members along with other members participated in the meeting.

Soil Testing Laboratory

Soil testing laboratory has analysed 206 soil samples, 202 water samples during January 2013 and 200 soil and 199 water samples during February 2013.

Selection of farmers for growing fodder



Farmers who have been selected for growing fodder for mitigating drought situation with members of IAT Regional Chapter

Sri. G. Srikantan, Secretary, IAT, Sri. B. Jaganath, Joint Secretary, Sri. D. Doddamallaiah, Treasurer along with Sri. N.P. Shivashankar, Co-opt member, Central IAT visited Guthinadu and Sibara villages of Chitradurga taluk and have selected the following farmers for growing fodder to mitigating drought situation.

Sibara village

(1) Sri. G.K. Eswarappa (2) Sri. Pyarajan Sab (3) Sri. S/o. Borappa (4) Sri. Kariyappa S/o. Balappa (5) Sri. Doreobaiaya (6) Sri. Kanth Reddy (7) Sri. Yellappa (8) Odachikkanna (9) Sri. Narasimhamurthy S/o. Kamanna (10) Sri. Murthy S/o. Kallanna

Guthinadu

(1) Sri. Sharanappa Akkavara (2) Sri. Lingaraju S/o. Thippeswamy (3) Sri. Jayalakshmi W/o. Jaganath (4) Sri. S.K. Mallanna (5) Sri. Jayanna S/o. Chowdappa (6) Sri. Nagaraja (7) Sri. Gowdara Sharanappa (8) Sri. Gowdara Kallappa

Training to staff of Soil Testing Laboratory

Dr. H.R. Prakash, M.C. Member, IAT, Bangalore and P.S. Hanumantha Rao, ADA(Retd.) trained the staff of soil testing laboratory for 3 days for the period from 18-3-2013 to 20-3-2013 at Chitradurga.

Workshop Rainwater Conservation and Management of Soil Nutrients

A workshop on Rainwater Conservation and Management of Soil nutrients was conducted on 19-3-



Smt. B. Geetha, President, ZP Chitradurga inaugurated workshop on Rainwater Conservation and Management of Soil nutrients at IAT Regional Chapter Chitradurga on 5th February 2013



IAT Regional Chapter Chitradurga honoured Dr. H.R. Prakash, M.C. Member, IAT, Bangalore and Sri. P.S. Hanumantha Rao, ADA (Retd.) on 19-3-2013

2013 at IAT Chitradurga jointly by Department of Agriculture and KVK Babbur under the Chairmanship of Sri. R. Krishnamurthy, President IAT & JDA Chitradurga. Smt. B. Geetha, President, ZP Chitradurga inaugurated programme and appealed to the farmers to make use of the facilities of the department and KVK to increase their production.

D.S.Prakash, Chairman, Agriculture & Industry standing committee, ZP Chitradurga who participated as Chief guest, distributed the prizes to the winners of "Bisilu Hasiru" programme which was broadcasted by AIR sponsored by Department of Agriculture.

Dr. H.R. Prakash, M.C. Member, IAT, Bangalore Sri. P.S. Hanumantha Rao, ADA (Retd.) Dr. Sarvagna Salimath participated as resource persons and addressed the gathering.

An exhibition on Farm Mechanization was also organized during the programme. More than 200 farmers participated in the programme.

The Soil testing laboratory has analysed 345 soil samples and 340 water samples during the month.

DHARWAD

Support to Raitha Shakthi Group



IAT, Dharwad Chapter supported Sri Kalmeshwar Raitha Shakthi Groups who organized first anniversary programme at Narendra village, Dharwad taluk on 5th February 2013.

IAT, Dharwad chapter supported Sri Kalmeshwar Raitha Shakthi Groups who organized first anniversary on 5-2-2013 at Narendra village. in Dharwad taluk. Sri. Vinay Kulkarni Ex MLA Dharwad rural, inaugurated the programme with valuable suggestions to the farmers, not to sell their land for non-agricultural purpose, as it is only source for their livelihood in future. Sri R.B. Hiremath ADA DATC and Sri Ajjanna Telkar ADA, spoke about KSDA Schemes to group members. Smt Thippannavar AO explained the role of RSG in agricultural production.

SHIMOGA

Enrolment of New Technologists



Dr. D. Rajagopal delivered a lecture on the Management of Giant African Snail (*Achatina fulica*) and Black slug (*Laevicaulis alte*) at IAT Regional Chapter Shimoga on 5th March 2013.

The first enrolment committee meeting was held at the office of Joint Director of Agriculture, Shimoga on 5th March, 2013 for enrolling the new members to the Institution of Agricultural Technologists and also organized a guest lecture on Management of Giant African Snail (*Achatina fulica*) and Black slug (*Laevicaulis alte*) as a mark of the enrolment committee programme at Shimoga.

Dr.D.Rajagopal, Vice-President and Chairman of the Seminar and Endowment sub-committee, IAT Bangalore who participated as Chief Guest explained the various objectives and activities of IAT its establishment, its branches and its functioning throughout Karnataka state. Further, he also delivered a lecture through PPT on the Management of Giant African Snail (*Achatina fulica*) and Black Slug (*Laevicaulis alte*) as polyphagous pests, their damaging symptoms on wide variety of field crops, ornamentals, plantation crops etc. An integrated pest management practices including cultural, mechanical, biological and chemical control measures were suggested to the technologists to combat these pests and requested the participants to transfer this technology to the farmers.

Dr.N.Krishnamurthy, M.C. member and Chairman of the Knowledge Enhancement sub-committee also participated as chief guest and explained the importance of enrolling technologists as life members of IAT and also the role of Knowledge enhancement sub-committee, Extension Education sub-committee and other committees functioning in transfer of technology to the farming community in the state.

Dr.Shivamurthappa, M.C. member of IAT Bangalore, Joint Director of Agriculture, Shimoga district and

President of local IAT Chapter welcomed the gathering and presided over the function. He requested all the Agricultural Technologists including Animal Husbandry, Fisheries, Forestry, Home Science etc. to enroll as members of the IAT at the earliest and also he assured the members with their cooperation that he would like to make this Regional Chapter as one of the model in Karnataka state. Sri. D.M. Basavaraja, Asst. Director of Agriculture (Hq) proposed the vote of thanks. About 55 Agricultural Technologists participated in the programme.

TUMKUR

Animal Health Camp Conducted



R.P. Ramaiah, DWDO Watershed Development Department, Tumkur inaugurated Animal Health Camp on 16-2-2013.

Animal Health camp was conducted on 16-2-2013 at Beladhara village in Tumkur district jointly by Watershed Development Department, Tumkur and IAT Regional Chapter, Tumkur under the Chairmanship of Smt. Gangambike, President Beladhara Grama Panchayat in Tumkur taluk.

Sri. R.P. Ramaiah, DWDO Watershed Development Department, Tumkur inaugurated the programme. Dr. Vijayalaxmi, Veterinary Officer, Beladhara, explained the objectives of conducting Animal health camp to diagnose animal diseases and their control measures. Smt. Anjanamma, TP Member, Dr. S.V. Ramachandrappa AD (AH&VS), Sri. B.G. Jayappa, ADA (WDD) and Sri. Vijayakumar, livestock inspector participated in the programme. Sri. T.K. Somasekhar, TWDO welcomed the participants and the Basavaraj Kumar, AAO proposed the vote of thanks.

About 80 cows, 62 oxes, 60 buffaloes, 386 sheep and 52 goats were treated. Totally 640 animals have been treated during the programme.

HONOURS AND AWARDS

Sarvottam Seva Prashasthi



DDA, DATC, Kadajji, V. Srinivasa Chintal, R.T. Karalingappanavar, AAO, Honnali were felicitated with the 'Sarvottam Seva Prashasthi' awards at Davanagere on 26th January 2013

On 26th January, the IAT Chapter Davangere beamed with pride. It was pride moment for the Department of Agriculture, Davangere too. Two of their colleagues had received the coveted **Sarvottam Seva Prashasthi**.

Sri. V. Srinivasa Chintal, DDA, DATC, Kadajji, was awarded in the category of Group A Officers. Sri. R.T. Karalingappanavar, AAO, Honnali was felicitated with the same award in the B Category. It was pride moment for Sri. Srinivasa and Sri. Karalingappanavar, who were honoured by the Hon'ble District incharge Minister and Minister for Horticulture and Sugar, Sri. S.A. Ravindranath. Deputy Commissioner, Davanagere, Sri. S.S. Pattanshetti, CEO, ZP, Davangere Sri. A.B. Hemachandra and SP, Sri Labhuram participated in the award ceremony.



Dr. Shivamurthappa, JDA Shimoga and M.C. member IAT Bangalore was honoured with 'Sarvottam Seva Prashasthi-2012' by Honourable Deputy Chief Minister of Karnataka, Shri. K.S. Eswarappa at Shimoga on 26th January 2013

Dr. Shivamurthappa, Joint Director of Agriculture, Shimoga and M.C. member, IAT Bangalore was honoured with District level "**Sarvottam Seva Prashasthi-2012**" for his contributions to Agriculture in the district. He was honoured by Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister of Karnataka Shri.K.S.Eswarappa at Shimoga on 26-01-2013. IAT joins to applaud his achievements.



Dr. P. Jones Nirmalnath, Associate Professor, DWSR (AICRP on Weed Control), MARS, Dharwad has presented (oral) paper entitled "Molecular Diversity of Arbuscular Mycorrhizal Fungi and Their influence on Grapevine (*Vitis vinifera*)" in the workshop titled "Metagenomics and Population Genomics" at the Seventh International Conference on Mycorrhiza held during 6-11 January 2013 at New Delhi. IAT congratulates Dr. Nirmalnath for his participation.



Dr. T.K. Narayana Swamy, Professor, Department of Sericulture, UAS, Bangalore has been awarded with "**Prof. A.R. Trag Gold Medal 2013**" by Indian Academy of Science and Nature for outstanding research and academic contribution in the field of Global Warming. The award was presented at Agra on 9-3-2013. IAT records its appreciation and congratulates Dr. Narayanaswamy for his achievement.



Dr. R.A. Balikai, Professor, Dept. of Agricultural Entomology, UAS, Dharwad participated in the National Symposium on "**Biotechnological Approaches for Plant Protection, Constraints and Opportunities**" held at ICAR Research Complex for Goa during 27-29 January 2013. He presented a research paper on "Assessment of Insect Pest Management Approaches".

Dr. Balikai has been conferred with "**Fellow of Society for Plant Research**" on 26-12-2012 by the Society for Plant Research at Meerut for his significant contributions to the field of Agricultural Entomology. Dr. Balikai has been elected as "**Executive Council Member of Ethological Society of India**" Bangalore for three years period from 2013 to 2015. IAT Congratulates Dr. Balikai for his participation in the symposium and recognitions received by different organisations.

S.R. Lakshmikanth Reddy visits China



Sri. S.R. Lakshmikanth Reddy, Ex-President, IAT Regional Chapter Chitradurga participated as one of the delegates from Karnataka in the **All India Seed Distributors Conference at Shanghai China** on 21-03-2013. He addressed the gathering in which 250 delegates from



all over India participated. During the visit he has also visited many vegetable seed production farms and other historical places in China.



Dr. P. Margoob Hussain, well known veterinarian and M.C. member of IAT, Bangalore has been awarded with **"Mother Teresa Gold Medal"** from Global Economic Progress and Research Association, Tamil Nadu for his excellence in the field of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services.

The award was presented on 30th March 2013 at Chennai on the occasion of 20th National Seminar on "National Economic Growth through individual contribution". IAT congratulates Dr.Margoob Hussain for his excellence.



Sri. K.R. Krishnaiah, Joint Director of Agriculture, Mysore District participated in **"Bio-Fach World Organic Trade Fair"** held at Nuremburg, Germany during 12-02-2013 to 19-02-2013. During the fair he has highlighted about the Organic Agricultural Products of the state to the

delegates of different countries. He has actively participated in the discussions on Production, Marketing, Certification and Export possibilities of various Organic Products. IAT congratulates Sri.Krishnaiah in this regard.



Mr. D.M. Basavaraj, Assistant Director of Agriculture, Shimoga and Secretary IAT Regional chapter Shimoga participated in **International Organic Trade Fair "Biofach Germany 2013"** from 12.2.2013 to 19.2.2013 at Nurenberg, Germany organized by International Competence for Organic Agriculture. IAT congratulates for his participation.



Smt. Radha, Agricultural Officer, Organic Farming Sector of the Directorate of Agriculture, Bangalore participated in the **International Organic Trade Fair "Biofach Germany 2013"** from 12-2-2013 to 19-2-2013 at Nurenberg, Germany. IAT congratulates her for her participation in the Organic Trade Fair.



OBITUARY

IAT deeply mourn the sad demise of the following IATians.

(i) Sri. P. Rachaiah, AO (Retd.) (ii) Dr. P.V. Veeraraju, JDA, Watershed Development Department (iii) Dr. T.H. Hanumantharaju, Associate Professor, UAS, Bangalore.

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