



Dr. Himanshu Pathak visits the Regional Quality Evaluation Unit of ICAR-CIRCOT, Guntur



* Dr. Himanshu Pathak, Secretary (DARE) & Director General (ICAR) visited the Regional Quality Evaluation Unit of ICAR-CIRCOT, Guntur and interacted with Scientists and Staff of Regional Agricultural Research Station, LAM Farm, Acharya N. G. Ranga Agricultural University, Guntur on June 20, 2024. Dr. Pathak emphasized that scientists should prioritize research for enhancing cotton productivity as the top priority.

International Yoga Day



* This year marks the 10th International Day of Yoga with the theme “Yoga for Self and Society.” Yoga, a transformative practice, represents the harmony of mind and body, the balance between thought and action, and the unity of restraint and fulfillment. ICAR-CIRCOT celebrated the International Yoga Day on June 21, 2024 with the participation of all staff members.

MoU signed



* ICAR-CIRCOT, Mumbai signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with RPG Foundation, Mumbai on June 11, 2024 for the 'Yarn preparation and woven fabric development' using organic cotton. RPG Foundation is a Public Charitable Trust registered under the Bombay Public Trusts working in social welfare and reform, across a wide range of areas.

Human Resource Development



* Dr. T. Senthilkumar, Dr. GTV Prabu, Dr. Manoj Mahawar, Dr. Kirti Jalgaonkar, Dr. Ajinath Dukare, Dr. Kanika Sharma and Er. Chandrika Ram attended four days training programme on 'Laboratory Management System' at IRMRA, Thane, Maharashtra, during June 25-28, 2024.

Awareness Programme



- Ginning Training Centre (GTC), Nagpur conducted an awareness programme for the farmers in the village Mohapa, Nagpur about cultivation practices and post-harvest management practices of cotton under MGMG programme on June 21, 2024

Skill Development Programmes



- Ginning Training Centre (GTC), Nagpur conducted a Training Programme on “Cotton Value Chain” for Officers under the SMART Cotton Project, a joint venture of Govt. of Maharashtra and World Bank, during June 03-07, 2024. A total of 19 officers (18 male and one female) attended the programme.

Centenary Lecture Series



- The fifth Lecture in the ICAR-Centenary Lecture Series was delivered by Brni Maitreyi Chaitanya from Chinmaya Mission, Pune on the topic, “Essence of Spirituality” at the Jubilee Hall of ICAR-CIRCOT on June 05, 2024. In her talk, she elucidated on the concept of spirituality and emphasised that one should perform his/her duty with complete devotion without any expectations. The lecture was attended by Scientific, Technical, Administration, Skilled Support Staff, and contractual staff of the Institute.

ISO Surveillance Audit



- * The Bureau of Indian Standards organized a two-day surveillance audit at the institute for the ISO 9001:2015 license on June 13-14, 2024. Dr. P.K. Kush, the auditor from BIS, conducted the surveillance audit. Dr. S.K. Shukla, Director; Dr. A.S.M. Raja, Management Representative; and Dr. A. Arputharaj, Deputy MR, coordinated the audit. The auditor has recommended that the institute has satisfactorily implemented the ISO 9001:2015 standard, and the license will be continued for another year.

Publications



- Pandey, R., Dubey, A., Krishna Prasad, G., Arputharaj, A., Raja, A. S. M., Dubey, R., Jose, S. (2024). Physico-Chemical Characterization of Lignocellulosic Seed Microfibers. Journal of Natural Fibers, 21(1).
- Sheshrao Kautkar, S. K. Shukla, V. G. Arude and Varsha Satankar. 2024. Technologies, Challenges and Solutions in Mechanical Harvesting of Cotton: Indian Perspective. In Futuristic Trends in Agriculture Engineering & Food Sciences, IIP Series, Volume 3, Book 23, Chapter 11; page 146-157.

Glimpses of Activities



Agrovision Foundation Round Table Discussion

“Sustainability is not an option; it is the only way forward”



From L-R Roop Rashi, the Textile Commissioner for the Government of India, Dr C D Mayee, Secretary, Agrovision Foundation and President, Indian Society for Cotton Improvement (ISCI), Mumbai, who moderated the discussion and Dr S K Shukla, Director, ICAR-CIRCOT, Mumbai.



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