

Agriculture Education Day celebrated at ICAR – DMAPR, Anand

Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), New Delhi commemorates the birth anniversary of Late Dr. Rajendra Prasad, who was the Minister of Food and Agriculture after the elections in 1946 and the first President of our country, as Agriculture Education Day on 3rd December every year, in order to sensitize the youth on the importance of agriculture for ensuring food and nutritional security of the Indian citizens and livelihood security of the farmers, apart from contributing to the national GDP.



ICAR – Directorate of Medicinal and Aromatic Plant Research, Anand, the premier medicinal and aromatic plants research institute of our nation celebrated “Agriculture Education Day” in the Directorate with the students of various schools near by the directorate wherein more than 100 students participated. The Chief Guest, Dr. K. B. Kathiria, Director of Research, Anand Agricultural University, Anand motivated and guided the interested students for their bright future in agriculture by choosing it as professional career after their schooling. He informed the students that India is among the largest producers of vegetables and fruits in the world and has an

equally strong floriculture base. Today India’s agriculture has become globalised and the idea of integrating Indian agriculture with the world economy is getting support. He highlighted about the various branches in agriculture and allied subjects and its scope of importance. Dr. P. Manivel, Acting Director, ICAR-DMAPR apprised the students that scientists can play a major role in the society and can bring solution to existing problems of today’s world. The students from SNV International, Nadiad; Bhavan’s School, Nadiad; Jay Jalaram International School, Anand and Central School, V. V. Nagar attended the function. The students were benefitted by their visit to ICAR-DMAPR and they were much curious in the research activities of the Directorate. At the end of the Session, the students were given with Certificates by the Acting Director. Mr. Suresh Patelia welcomed the audience and Dr. Ashwin Trivedi, Sr. Technical Officer proposed the vote of thanks.



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