

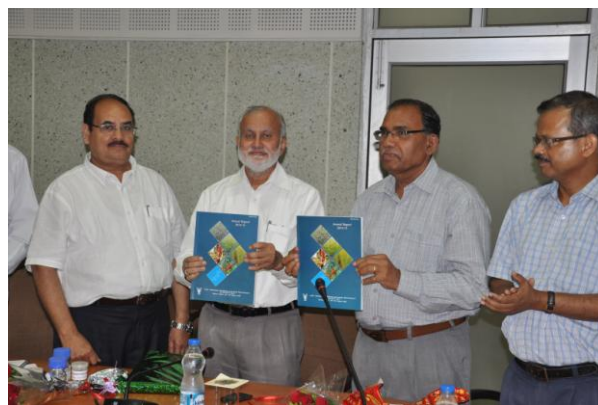
## Visit of Dr. S. Ayyappan, Secretary, DARE & Director General, ICAR to DMAPR, Anand

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Dr S Ayyappan, Secretary, DARE and Director General, Indian Council of Agricultural Research, visited ICAR-Directorate of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants Research (ICAR-DMAPR), Anand, Gujarat on 8<sup>th</sup> July, 2015.

While interacting with the scientists, Dr. S. Ayyappan emphasized the role of secondary agriculture in the development of MAP sector in particular. He expressed the necessity of collaborative research for development activities in all aspects of MAP with the other stakeholders. He also advised to have databases on MAP and attract start-ups for the development and commercialization of high value compounds. DG released Annual report of the Directorate and Extension bulletins on medicinal and aromatic crops for the benefit of the farmers.

Earlier, Dr Jitendra Kumar, Director, ICAR-DMAPR welcomed the DG and other dignitaries and gave an overview of the Directorate. Dr. S.B. Dandin, Formerly Vice Chancellor, University of Horticultural Sciences (UHS), Bagalkot and Chairman, Research Advisory Committee (RAC), ICAR-DMAPR, Anand accompanied the DG during his visit.



*.(Source: ICAR-DMAPR, Anand)*