

Bihar State Coordination Committee Meeting for Doubling Farmers' Income by 2022 Organised

Patna, 23rd March, 2017

Bihar State Coordination Committee Meeting for Doubling Farmers' Income by 2022 held on March 23, 2017 at ICAR Research Complex for Eastern Region, Patna under the chairmanship of Dr. A. K Singh, Vice-Chancellor, BAU, Sabour.



The purpose of the meeting was to discuss existing productivity, income level and infrastructural facilities in Bihar so as to suggest specific technology modules along with all possible combinations of the enterprises suited to different ecological sub-regions as well as for different socio-economic backgrounds within the state which would be helpful for doubling farming incomes by 2022.



Dr. A. K. Singh deliberated initiatives taken and progress made by BAU, Sabour in this direction. He stressed upon inputs from all the members of the committee in preparation of action plan. Dr. R.C. Srivastava, Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Rajendra Prasad Central Agricultural University, Pusa made a presentation on potential technologies that may be helpful in increasing farmers' income. He also elaborated about solar operated pump for waterlogged areas.

Earlier, Dr. B.P. Bhatt, Director, ICAR-RCER, Patna and the convener of the committee welcomed committee members and invited guests and urged members for focusing on interventions required and their synergy with various schemes of Government of India and State Govt. alongwith methodologies that would lead to doubling farmers' income.



Dr. Amitava De and Dr. J.S. Mishra, Heads of the divisions from ICAR-RCER, Patna made presentations focusing upon potential interventions related to crop and animal husbandry & fisheries sector, respectively that would helpful in increasing farmers income.

During the meeting, systematic discussion related to agriculture and allied sectors *i.e.* crop, horticulture, animal husbandry, fisheries, agroforestry, value addition, food processing, marketing etc. held and the experts gave their inputs in their respective areas.

During the meeting, Principal of Bihar Veterinary College, Patna, officials from State Agriculture Department, Fisheries Department, National Horticulture Board, Ministry of Food Processing Industries, Kaushlya Foundation, representative form CIMMYT, scientists from SAUs and ICAR institutes were present.

The meeting was concluded with vote of thanks by Dr. J. S. Mishra, Head, Division of Crop Research, ICAR-RCER, Patna.

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