Secretary DARE and DG ICAR inaugurated Interface on Agriculture for Nutrition at ICAR-ATARI, Jabalpur

Hon'ble Secretary DARE & Director General, ICAR, New Delhi Dr. Trilochan Mohapatra inaugurated an Inteface on 'Agriculture for Nutritional Security' on 8.2.2017 organised at ICAR-ATARI, Jabalpur in presence of Prof.V.S. Tomar, VC, JNKVV, Jabalpur, Prof P.D. Juyal, VC, NDVSU, Jabalpur, Prof. Kapil Deo Mishra, VC, RDVV, Jabalpur, Dr. Anupam Mishra, Director, ICAR-ATARI, Jabalpur. Higher officials from Government of Madhya Pradesh viz; Smt. Pushpalata Singh, Commissioner, ICDS, Bhopal, Smt Jayashree Kiyawat commissioner, Commissioner, Women empowerment, Bhopal, Project officers of ICDS, Assistant directors agriculture, Scientists from KVKs also participated in the programme. Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Conference hall of ICAR-ATARI, Jabalpur was inaugurated by the dignitaries.



Dr. Trilochan Mohapatra emphasised the importance of fortification in food as well as nutri gardens for nutrition secure nation. He also highlighted the need to increase the farmers income. He asked KVK scientists to work towards betterment of farming community and make use of culinary diversity available. Smt. Pushpalata Singh in her address highlighted the need to work in campaign mode to create awareness about nutritional security and mentioned various schemes of government in this direction. Smt Kiyawat in her address stressed the need for diversified diet for healthy lifestyle. Dr. Anupam Mishra highlighted various initiatives of KVKs of ICAR-ATARI Jabalpur towards fulfilling nutritional requirements through joint efforts of agriculture and allied departments. He also highlighted the need to address nutritional requirement in concerted way by addressing production, accessibility and literacy about nutrition. A mobile app Digital Soil Health Card has been inaugurated on the occasion by Dr. Trilochan Mohapatra.



An Exhibition was also organized by KVKs from Madhya Pradesh to sensitize the mass on the nutritional security through nutri-rich agriculture vis-à-vis nutrition literacy for inclusion of the same in the daily diet. Dr. S.R. K. Singh, PS, ICAR ATARI, Jabalpur proposed vote of thanks.