

ICAR-ATARI, Kanpur

MID TERM REVIEW WORKSHOP OF KVKs HELD ON NOVEMBER 22-23, 2018 AT SVPUAT, MEERUT

The two day Mid Term Review workshop of KVKs was held from November 22-23, 2018 at Directorate of Extension, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel University of Agriculture & Technology, Meerut. The workshop was inaugurated by Prof. Gaya Prasad, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, SVPUAT, Meerut. Workshop started with the welcome address by Director Extension, Dr. S.K. Sachan. The workshop was attended by Dr. (Mrs.) Sadhna Pandey, Principal Scientist, ICAR-ATARI, Kanpur, Director Research, Comptroller, Heads of various departments and all the Head/OICs of 19 KVKs (18 KVKs of SVPUAT and one KVK of IVRI, Bareilly).

In his presidential speech, Prof. Gaya Prasad, Vice-Chancellor emphasized that in rural area development the contribution of KVK is unquestionable. He praised the KVK for their functioning and advised for further improvement since there is always scope of improvement. He pointed out that there are several hindrance in the proper functioning of KVKs and universities should provide facilities to the KVKs for their proper functioning. He stressed that still there is vast scope for agricultural development which has to be harnessed with concerned efforts of scientists and developmental agencies. He also appreciated the continuous support extended by ICAR-ATARI, Kanpur for KVKs.



Dr.(Mrs.) Sadhna Pandey, Principal Scientist, ICAR-ATARI, Kanpur called upon the KVK Heads for finalizing the action plan as per thrust area of their district and incorporating activities which can led to doubling farmers income by 2022. Dr. Pandey gave a brief account of NARI and VATIKA, recently initiated programme by ICAR related to nutrition of women farmers. Dr. Pandey emphasized to incorporate the recently developed variety of wheat *var.* WB-2 (rich in Zinc) in the trials of the demonstrations. Director Extension Dr. S.K. Sachan stated that KVKs have to play an important role in solving local agricultural problems. He stressed for effective planning to increase the farmers income by 2022 in order to fulfill the vision of India.



The technical session started with the presentation of progress report for six month (April-September 2018) and action plan for the year 2019-20.