

23rd Zonal KVK workshop of ATARI Jabalpur Inaugurated at KVK-Khordha

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Shri Dharmendra Pradhanji, Hon'ble Minister, of State (Independent Charge), Petroleum and Natural Gas inaugurated 23rd Zonal Workshop of KVKs under ATARI, Jabalpur in presence of Dr. A. K. Singh, DDG (Agricultural Extension); Dr. Anupam Mishra, Director ATARI Zone-VII; Dr. S. Pasupalak, Vice-Chancellor, OUAT; Dr. U.K. Mishra, Vice-Chancellor, CGKV Durg; Dr. A, K. Singh, Vice-Chancellor RVSKVV Gwalior; Shri Abhay Mahajan, DRI Chitrakoot and Dr. P. Jayasankar, Director, ICAR-CIFA. Hon'ble Minister also inaugurated the exhibition laid out by KVKs on the occasion highlighting the success stories at the farmers fields.



He launched the web portal on Management Information System of KVK. In his presidential address Hon'ble Minister mentioned about the significance of KVK and how KVKs can transform the livelihood of farming activities through innovative approaches. He proposed to fund Agricultural Universities of three states to the tune of Rs.2 crore each on a pilot scale on conversion of crop residues and farm wastes into bio-gas bio-fuel. He encouraged the farmers to use the space of 5500 petrol pump across the country for Knowledge dissemination.



Hon'ble Minister also felicitated innovative farmers benefitted by KVK Khiordha, Angul and Deograh. Dr. A. K. Singh, DDG (Agril. Extn) explained the objective of the workshop. Prior inaugurating the workshop the Hon'ble Minister visited the farm facilities of ICAR-CIFA, Bhubaneswar, Odisha. Dr. S. Pasupalak, VC of OUAT has pointed out the salient achievements of KVK made in Odisha and expressed the challenges of the agriculture in the state. Dr. Anupam Mishra, Director opined that KVKs are front line extension institution working in the vicinity of the farming community and supporting in their profitable farming. Dr. P. Jayasankar, Director, ICAR-CIFA thanked all the dignitaries of their visit to the institute and interaction.



The workshop was attended by more than 250 participants including 100 Senior Scientists and Heads of KVKs from Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh and Odisha; 16 ICAR Institutes, 4 NGO Chairmen/Heads; 120 progressive farmers and corporate representatives.