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Significant Achievements

Bi-monthly Technical Workshop

KVK, Belagavi-II in association with District administration, Belagavi, State Department of Agriculture and University of Agricultural Sciences, Dharwad organized bi-monthly technical workshop for officers, ATMA staff, DATC staff, soil health laboratories, fertilizer and pesticide control laboratories on 01.02.2025. In all 109 officers representing 10 taluks and 35 Raita Samparka Kendra (RSK) presented their seasonal conditions, crop status, rainfall data, status of availability of fertilizers, pesticides, outbreak of pest and diseases during rabi season 2025. Dr. S.S. Patil, Joint Director of Agriculture, Belagavi in association with two Deputy Directors representing Chikodi and Belagavi divisions reviewed the situation and other agricultural ongoing activities.

The deliberations were inaugurated by Shri B.R. Patil, Chairman, KLE KVK, Mattikopp urged the officials to work in close association with department, KVK, University and RSK to take the technologies to doorstep of farmers. KLE being a front runner in health and education arena always ready to spare the facilities to take up agriculture as one of the enterprise. Dr. Manjunath Chouraddi, Senior Scientist & Head presided the workshop and highlighted the pest and disease problems of field crops becoming during summer season. Dr.S.S. Nooli, Senior Scientist, ARS, Sankeshwar, presented the various seasonal issues relating to *rabi* crops and responded to the problems raised by Department Officers. Dr.S.A. Gaddanakeri, ADE and Dr. P.S. Mattiwade, ADR, UAS, Dharwad were present on the occasion.

Dr. P.S. Hugar replied to the different queries related to pest and disease management. Praveen Yadahalli, Scientist (Horticulture) briefed about teasel guard cultivation, vegetable crop cafeteria and banana instructional farm demonstrations and upcoming horticulture activities in the district. The officers paid visit to rabi crop demonstrations and G.B. Vishwanath, Scientist (Agronomy) briefed about different chick pea, safflower, wheat and sorghum varieties suitable to rabi situation of the district Shri S.B. Kongawad, Shri H.D. Kolekar, DDA, Belagavi and Shri C.I. Hugar, ADA, Belagavi were present.









II. Training Programmes

a.Training Programme on 'Watershed Management'

A three days on campus training programme on 'Watershed Management' was inaugurated by Dr. B.T. Rayudu, Principal Scientist & Nodal Officer, ICAR-ATARI, Bengaluru on 05.02.2025 at KVK Belagavi-II. Speaking on the occasion, he said that, KVKs across the nation are the premier extension institutes which are involved in transfer of technologies to the farming community for enhancing their farm productivity and income. In this connection, ICAR – ATARI, Bengaluru has provided funds for creating state of art of infrastructure facilities like farmers hostel, staff quarters, farm pond and other farm development activities. Accordingly, KVK, Belagavi-II has made significant achievements in the field of soil testing, seed production & planting materials, production of bio inputs and organizing many need based vocational training programmes to uplift the knowledge of farmers and adoption of good agricultural practices among the farming community. Dr. Manjunath Chouraddi, Senior Scientist & Head and Scientists appraised the mandated activities and demo units in the KVK instructional farm.



b. Second Training programme on 'Watershed Management'

The ongoing training programme on 'Watershed Management' which was inaugurated by Dr. B.G. Shivkumar, Principal Scientist & Agronomist, ICAR-IGFRI, RRS, Dharwad on 06.02.2025 at KVK Belagavi-II in presence of Dr.D.V. Kolekar, Scientist, ICAR-ATARI, Bengaluru. They interacted with the participating farmers on technological interventions in watershed management. Dr. Manjunath Chouraddi, Senior Scientist & Head and Scientists appraised the mandated activities and demo units in the KVK instructional farm. Dr.D.V. Kolekar, Scientist, ICAR-ATARI, Bengaluru and Dr. B.G. Shivkumar, Principal Scientist & Agronomist, ICAR-IGFRI, RRS, Dharwad visited various on farm demonstrations, KVK, Belagavi-II along with Dr.S.S. Nooli, Head, ARS, Hukkeri on 06.02.2025. The team went through the various technological interventions implemented in vegetables, rabi crops and banana suitable for Belagavi district. The team appreciated the efforts of KVK in popularizing IIHR varieties/ hybrids after testing the suitability to the location specific requirements. Experts also noted the attempt to check pest infestation and to produce quality bunch of banana by using non-woven cloth bagging. S.M. Warad, Praveen Yadahalli and Shankargouda Patil Scientists of the KVK were present on the occasion.



c. Training programme on 'Production, Marketing and Value Addition on Chickpea'

Under the aegis of Karnataka State Agriculture Marketing Board, Bengaluru, Dr. K.H. Patil Professor Chair of Agril. Marketing, Dept. of ABM, College of Agriculture, Dharwad organized one day training programme on 'Production, Marketing and Value Addition on Chickpea' in association with KVK, Belagavi-II on 07.02.2025 at KVK Campus. The selected farmers of Belagavi district with emphasis on chickpea cultivation were trained on 'Production Technologies, Marketing of the Produce and Value addition of Chick pea'. Dr. G.N. Maraddi of UAS, Dharwad briefed on improved varieties and low cost technologies in cultivation.

Dr. Manjunath Chouraddi, Senior Scientist & Head, KVK, Belagavi-II presided over the programme and highlighted the importance of chickpea value addition and marketing aspects. Farmers can produce some of the bi products like roasted chickpea, chrab cakes, mock tuna salad, chickpea cookie dough, etc. can be marketed through Kisan Samriddhi online portal developed by ICAR-ATARI, Bengaluru. Dr. D.H. Mitrannavar highlighted the marketing and value addition technologies/methods of chickpea in order to avail remunerative prices for farmer produce. Dr. N.M. Kerur, welcomed the gathering. Dr. Basavaraj Kulkarni proposed vote of thanks and Dr. Praveen Yadahalli, Scientist (Horticulture) compered the programme.





III. Extension Activities

a. Live telecast of release of 19th instalment under the PM KISAN Scheme

The PM Kisan Programme of Release of 19th instalment held at Bagalpur, Bihar was live telecasted at KVK, Belagavi-II on 24.02.2025. The programme was inaugurated by Dr. V.I. Patil, Former MLA, Bailhongal Block & Director, KLE Society, Belagavi. He emphasised on the judicious and effective use of amount released by Hon'ble Prime Minister towards purchase of agriculture inputs, seeds and fertilizers. Dr. Manjunath Chouraddi, Senior Scientist & Head, KVK, Belagavi-II informed the audience that 49,000 farmers are beneficiaries of this programme, Further, around 5,30,000 farmers are going to be benefited from Belagavi district. Its is estimated that an amount or Rs. 33.00 crores are to be received by Belagavi farmers. The representatives from IFFCO, Belagavi, State Department of Horticulture, Agriculture and Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Sciences participated in the programme and briefed about the respective departments. Krishi Sakhi's, representatives of FPOs, SHGs and farmers, farmwomen took part in the programme. An exhibition on eco-friendly approaches, agriculture inputs, horticulture products and value added deliverables were the attraction of the programme. The programme was witnessed by 101 farmers and beneficiaries of Belagavi district in person while more than 500 farmers registered through PM Kisan Portal. Participants expressed their happiness over the programme.





b. Exhibition

KVK, Belagavi-II exhibited on eco-friendly approaches, agriculture inputs, horticulture products and value added deliverables was also organized on the eve of PM Kisan Samman Nidhi Programme.

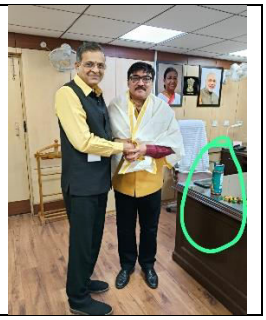




c. Farmer felicitation in Annual Review cum Annual Action Plan

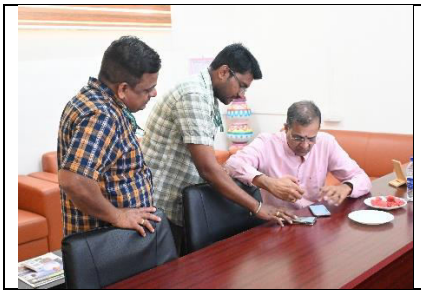
Mr. Mahalingappa Itnal, a jaggery entrepreneur from Halolli, Ramdurg taluk promoted and supported by KVK, Belagavi-II was felicitated during Annual Action Plan cum Review Meeting of KVKs being held at UHS, Bagalkot on 27.02.2025. He is preparing 19 types of value added jaggery which includes flavored jaggery, cube, coffee, chocolate, cardamom, black pepper, clove, turmeric, ghee and milk jaggery apart from liquid and granular jaggery under the "**Kisan Samriddhi**" brand. The products are exporting to various countries. Dr. V. Venkatasubramanian, Director, ICAR-ATARI, Zone-XI, Bengaluru presented the value added product to Dr. Himanshu Pathak, Secretary (DARE) & DG, ICAR, New Delhi and Dr. Rajbir Singh, DDG (AE), ICAR, New Delhi.



d.VIP/ Dignitaries visit to KVK

Dr. Venkatasubramanian, Director, ICAR-ATARI, Bengaluru visited KVK, Belagavi-II on 27.02.2025. During the visit, KVK Scientists S. M. Warad, Scientist (Soil Science), Praveen Yadahalli, Scientist (Horticulture) and Shankargouda Patil explained about the KVK activities, sugarcane production technologies and KVK instructional farm activities.





ICT activities

Sl.No.	Particulars	Social Media used
1	Plant Protection measures, Inter cultivation, weather forecasting, availability and high yielding varieties of crops, Quality planting materials, land preparation, availability of technological products at KVK and livestock management	Whatsapp and KMAS

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