

Second Green Revolution Meet Organized at ICAR-RCER Patna

The Second Green Revolution Meet was organized by ICAR Research Complex for Eastern Region, Patna on 3rd May 2016 at ICAR-RCER, Patna. Shri Vijoy Prakash, IAS, APC, Govt. of Bihar graced the occasion as Chief



Guest and Dr R.C. Srivastava, Vice Chancellor, RAU, Pusa and Dr. A.K. Singh, Vice Chancellor, BAU, Sabour attended the session as the Guest of Honour. The Chief Guest, in his remarks emphasized on tackling management issues for enhancing agriculture production in eastern India. He solicited the need for exploiting natural resources, introducing new technologies, proper management and imparting creativity and innovation. He strongly emphasized that the research should not only focus on cereals and other food crops, but it should also expand its base in animal and fish productivity. He stressed on the need for diversification during the second green revolution with more attention on newer foods, millets, small ruminants etc. Dr B.P. Bhatt, Director, ICAR RCER emphasized on the need for bringing about synergy among the different implementing agencies involved in agriculture development in eastern India. He mentioned about different issues related to agriculture development of eastern India like decreasing land size holding, low rabi productivity, low consumption of electricity, deficit fodder availability, low vegetable crop productivity of hill and plateau region. Dr R.C. Srivastava, VC, RAU, Pusa in his address stressed upon developing technology packages to provide decent livelihood under different farm size. He informed the house that the 85% increase in income from rice-wheat can be achieved by adoption of mechanization, reducing fertilizer cost, speeding up diesel pump output and reducing post harvest loss by 5%. He emphasized on sustainable use of ground water to avoid the

problem of lean season flow. He also stressed on development of effective plan for sustainable utilization of Chaur and Diara lands. In this regard, Dr A.K. Singh, VC, BAU, Sabour mentioned that if the productivity of Tal areas can be increased, the pulse requirement of the region can be fulfilled easily. For tackling pulse productivity, he suggested to strengthen the FLD programme of the KVKs. The meeting was attended by the Directors and scientists of the ICAR institutes, SAUs, CGIAR institutes and State Government Officials of the Eastern States.