



RASS- Krishi Vigyan Kendra
Vanasthali, Karakambadi (P), Renigunta (M), Tirupati (Dt.) – 517520



Significant Activity for the month of December, 2025

World Soil Day - 2025

RASS-Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Tirupati has organized a grand celebration of **World Soil Day -2025** with the theme “**Healthy Soils for Healthy Cities**” on 05.12.2025 at KVK. Dr. A. Ramakrishna Rao, Programme Coordinator, DAATTC, Chittoor has attended as chief guest of the programme and KVK scientists educated farmers on natural farming, importance of soil testing, integrated nutrient management, bio-fertilizers and priority of soil and water conservation. Farmers were facilitated with Pusa HQPM-5 variety maize seeds and Soil Health Cards for demonstration purposes. Over 70 farmers and agricultural students from Narayananavam and Renigunta mandals participated in the event

Dr. A. Ramakrishna Rao explained the importance of soil health management in achieving better yields and provided suggestions to problems raised by farmers.

Dr. S. Srinivasulu explained the significance of World Soil Day, noting that high expenditures on chemical fertilizers are increasing cultivation costs and damaging soil health, which in turn causes health issues for consumers. He stated that by practicing soil-test-based fertilizer application, farmers could reduce costs and improve soil fertility thereby increase the crop yields.

Dr. V. Divya, SMS, Agronomy detailed about the characteristics of Pusa HQPM-5 maize and its management practices before supplying the seeds. Mr. Sudhakar, SMS, Horticulture, spoke on nutrient management in various horticultural crops. Sri. T. Ramu Kumar, SMS, Extension and Divya Sudha, SMS, Home Science explained kitchen gardening, value-addition, agricultural drones, and Kisan Sarathi. Later All the farmers and scientists visited the various demonstration units at KVK instructional farm.

