



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



*Significant Activity for the month of September, 2021*

**Awareness programme on “Poshan Vatika Maha Abhiyan and tree plantation Drive”**

RASS - Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Karakambadi has organized “**Poshan Vatika Maha Abhiyan and tree plantation Drive**” on 17.09.2021 as a part of the Nutrition Month Celebrations. Dr. M. Aruna, Professor, Department of Home Science, Sri Padmavathi Mahila University, Tirupati and Smt. Sudharani, CDPO, Tirupati were attended as resource persons. KVK has telecasted live address of Sri Narendra Singh Thomar, Hon’ble union minister for Agriculture and farmer welfare from inauguration of “Nutri-Cereals Multi-stakeholders’ Mega Convention 3.0” organized by IIMR, Hyderabad on the occasion of Hon’ble Prime Minister, Sri Narendra Modi’s birthday. Sri Thomar said that now a day’s everyone is cautious about their health and getting awareness about health and nutrition and importance of millets in daily diet. Hence KVK scientists and other agriculture scientists should focus on to conduct more awareness programmes on millet farming.



Dr. S. Sreenivasulu, Sr Scientist and Head, RASS - KVK, spoke about the main objectives of the program and said that malnutrition is more prevalent among women, young children and pregnant women and this type of programs would help in creating awareness on it. In his speech, he briefed about the main activities of the KVK, importance of Kitchen gardens, bio fortified crops and its importance and value added products etc.

Dr. M. Aruna, Professor, Department of Home Science, SPMVV, Tirupati and Smt. Sudharani, CDPO, Tirupati explained about different types of millets and their nutritional values. She also explained about nutritional requirement of adolescent girls and women based on their age, reasons for malnutrition and precautions to overcome malnutrition in adolescent girls and women. She also briefed about Dr. Y.S.R. Sampoorana poshana kit supplying through Anganwaadi centers.



Dr. Srilatha, SMS, Home Science, Sri P.S. Sudhakar, SMS, Horticulture, Dr.V. Divya, SMS, Crop Production explained about value addition with millets, kitchen garden models and maintenance, terrace gardening and agro forestry for getting additional income

and also to protect environment, bio fortified crops and varieties in rice, Bajra, maize, sorghum and finger millet.

On this occasion, various "vegetable seed kits" required for kitchen garden were distributed to the participants with the help of Indian Fertilizer and Farmer Cooperative Society (IFFCO). KVK also supplied 'Saraka asoca' and 'lemon grass' saplings to participants. Plantation drive was conducted at KVK farm after the programme.



The event was attended by Dr. Aruna, Professor, Dept. of Home Science, Sri Padmavathi Mahila University, Tirupati, Smt. Sudharani, CDPO, Tirupati, Dr.S.Sreenivasulu, Sr.Scientist and head, KVK Scientists Manohar, Srilatha, Sudhakar, Divya, Ramu Kumar, Venkatesh, 137 farmers and farm women, 27 rural girls and agricultural students.



**Farmers Scientists interface on “Climate Resilient Varieties, Technologies and Practices” and Live telecast of Hon’ble Pm s address**

RASS -KVK has conducted “Farmers Scientists interface on Climate Resilient Varieties, Technologies and Practices” at Sirinambuduru village of Satyavedu Mandal on 28.09.2021. Arranged live telecast of Hon`ble PM Sri Narendra Modi Address and interaction with farmers from different states on climate resilient farming. KVK Has created awareness on climate resilient farming practices, pest and disease resistant varieties, soil health management, soil water conservation techniques, rain water harvesting, In – Situ and Ex –Situ moisture conservation and climate smart agriculture. KVK scientists, Mandal Agriculture Officer, MPTC, Village Sarpanch, Village secretariat staff, Village volunteers and 125 farmers were participated in the programme.

