

International conference on ICFPLS-2023 begins

PORT BLAIR, SEPT 18/--/ The Second International Conference on "Prospects and challenges of environment and biological sciences in food production system for livelihood security of farmers (ICFPL-2023)" jointly organized by Pragati International Scientific Research Foundation (PISRF), Meerut, UP, India and Andaman Science Association (ASA), Port Blair, Andaman & Nicobar Islands, India, in collaboration with ICAR-Central Island Agricultural Research Institute, Port Blair, Andaman & Nicobar Islands, India and Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel University of Agriculture and Technology, (SVPUAT), Meerut, India, from September 18-20, 2023 at ICAR-CIARI, Port Blair got inaugurated today. More than 200 delegates from 24 states and 2 UTs are participating in three days' International seminar.

During the inaugural session held at Dr. T.R. Dutta conference hall, Garacharma ICAR-CIARI on September 18, 2023, the Chief Guest Shri Swatantra Dev Singh, Cabinet Minister of Water Resources, Uttar Pradesh (UP) Government expressed his happiness on the conduct of this seminar for the betterment of the farming community. He shared his experience of translating many water management work at Bundelkand, Uttar Pradesh which has increased the productivity of the farming area. Beside he urged to reach to the last level of the ladder and assess the percolation of the technologies for making it a successful one for which the youth can play a mega role. He concluded his speech by urging all the leaders/stakeholders to take benefit of the GoI schemes, so that the benefit reaches the farmers to enhance his earning and finally result in happiness. He also impressed upon the organizer to bring out the recommendation benefitting the farming community in all spheres. He gave away awards to the scientists for their outstanding

contribution and farmers who have adopted the technology in agriculture and allied field and become role model in their respective areas. He also released e-copy of Souvenir during the inaugural session.

Dr. P. L. Patil, Vice Chancellor of the University of Agricultural Sciences (UAS), Dharwad, Karnataka in his address stressed on farming system approach, Market Driven Technology Dharwad Model of Seed production involving FPOs. Shri Rajeev Choudhary, Director of Agricultural



Engineering, Government of Madhya Pradesh shared his experience on farm mechanization technology like Yantra Dooth, Custom Hiring, Online platform, Skill training with private partners. Dr. E. B. Chakurkar, Director of ICAR-CIARI, Port Blair, focused to have deliberation on every component of Agriculture for increasing income of the farmers. Dr. Gaya Prasad, Chairman ICFPLS 2023 & former Vice Chancellor of SVPUAT, Meerut, UP said that the technologies are reaping good harvest in the terms of production, productivity and enhancing the income of the farmers and expressed his gratefulness to the farmers. At the outset Dr. Jai Sunder, Local Organizing Secretary welcomed the august gathering and Dr. V.P. Chaudhary, Organizing Secretary proposed vote of thanks.