



DG, ICAR visits ICAR-CIARI, Port Blair

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08 May 2024, Port Blair: Dr. Himanshu Pathak, Secretary (DARE) and Director General (ICAR) visited ICAR-Central Island Agricultural Research Institute, Port Blair, today. He visited the horticulture nursery block, world coconut germplasm centre, livestock farm complex, agro-

ecotourism farm, Krishi Vigyan Kendra, South Andaman, and marine research laboratory. During his visit to different research and farm units, he interacted with the scientists and technical staff and urged them to initiate more innovative research work with significant outcomes for the benefit of the farming community of the islands. Dr. Pathak inaugurated an ornamental fish breeding unit and an essential oil field extraction unit at the institute.

Dr. E.B.Chakurkar, Director, ICAR-CIARI briefed about the profile, achievements, and development made by the institute.

Dr. V.B. Patel, Assistant Director General (F&PC), and Dr. Pradeep De, Director, ATARI, Kolkata, were also present during the occasion.

Padmashree Awardee Farmers were felicitated during the programme. Publications and a mobile app were also released during the programme.

The staff of Regional Station, Minicoy KVK, Nimbudera, and KVK, Nicobar attended the interaction session.