

ICAR-IARI, New Delhi celebrated Teacher's day on 5th September-2016

ICAR-IARI, New Delhi celebrated Teacher's day on 5th September 2016. A warm floral tribute was given to Dr. S. Radhakrishnan, an educationist par excellence, a true reformer and our beloved second president of independent India.

Dr. R.K. Jain, Dean-IARI welcomed the dignitaries on and off the podium. In his address, he highlighted the importance of formal education in our life and he also urged special thanks to whole teacher's fraternity who help younger generation to stand up to take responsibilities. He also asked the teachers to take a pledge to strengthen the pious bond of teacher and student.

Dr. Ravinder Kaur, Director-IARI said that this auspicious occasion is not only to mark the contribution of teachers but also the birth anniversary of Dr. Sarvapalli Radhakrishnan, a renowned philosopher who always worked for the qualitative change in education. Dr. S. Radhakrishnan always emphasized that teaching should be considered as a mission of life and *"The Best Mind of country should be in teaching"*

Dr. H.S. Gaur (Former VC- SVPUAT, Meerut & Former Dean-IARI) emphasized on role of a teacher in student's life. He applauded the new initiatives in agricultural education in India, through which one can create hope, ignite imagination and can reach to new heights.

Dr. N.S. Rathore (DDG, Education, ICAR-New Delhi) gave a comprehensive and educative Teachers day lecture on *"Recent advances in Agricultural Education in India"* In his lecture, Dr. Rathore highlighted the importance of agriculture sector and its importance in national economy which contributes directly or indirectly to more than 50% of the total work force. He focused on the creative skills and ability to think and improve productivity of agricultural sector by leadership and entrepreneurial roles. He also informed the audience about the **Student READY (Rural Entrepreneurship Awareness Development Yojna)** program of ICAR. He also said that students should be job creators rather than job seekers.

The program was ended with the formal vote of thanks by Dr. Vinod, Professor, Division of genetics-IARI.



Dr. N.S. Rathore, DDG (Edu)-ICAR, Dr. Ravinder Kaur, Director-IARI and other dignitaries at IARI, New Delhi during the Teachers Day Celebration.



A warm tribute to Dr.S. Radhakrishnan on the occasion of his birth anniversary



Dr. N.S. Rathore, DDG (Edu), ICAR delivering the Teacher's Day lecture on *"Recent advances in agricultural education in India"*



A memento was presented to Dr. N.S. Rathore, DDG (Edu), ICAR as a token of respect and affection on behalf of IARI