## ICAR-IARI Organized Dr. R.C. Gautam Memorial Award Ceremony

## 5th July 2025

The Division of Agronomy, ICAR-Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi, organized a Cleanliness-cum-Plantation Drive and the prestigious Dr. R.C. Gautam Award Ceremony on 5th July 2025 with great enthusiasm and participation. On the occasion of the 82nd birth anniversary of Late Dr. R.C. Gautam, former Dean, Joint Director (Education) and Former Head, Division of Agronomy, ICAR-IARI, the programme was organized. The event was held to honour the life, work, and lasting contributions of Dr. Gautam in the field of agronomy and agricultural education.

The programme was graced by Dr. Ch. Srinivasa Rao, Director, ICAR-IARI as Chief Guest, along with Dr. Anupama Singh, Dean, Graduate School, and Dr. PS Bramhanand, Project Director, Water Technology Centre, ICAR-IARI. Addressing the gathering, The Director ICAR-IARI remembered Dr. Gautam as a visionary leader and a mentor who laid strong academic and research foundations in agronomy. Dr. Anupama Singh and Dr. PS Bramhanand highlighted the relevance of such initiatives in sustaining the spirit of environmental stewardship and institutional legacy.

In a fitting tribute, the Dr. R.C. Gautam Memorial Award for Young Agronomists was presented to Dr. Rakesh Kumar, Senior Scientist from ICAR Research Complex for Eastern Region, Patna, in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the field of agronomy. The family members of Late Dr. Gautam were present during the ceremony and shared their heartfelt sentiments and gratitude to ICAR-IARI for keeping his memory alive through such meaningful events. The event concluded with a collective resolve among students, faculty, and staff to continue promoting sustainability and scientific excellence, inspired by the life and legacy of Dr. R.C. Gautam.



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