

Press note of review meeting by DG ICAR

On the 1st of January 2024, a comprehensive review meeting brought together the staff of ICAR HQRS, DARE, ASRB, and ICAR institutes at the ICAR-IARI playground in New Delhi to mark the onset of the New Year. The Honorable Secretary DARE and DG-ICAR, Dr. Himanshu Pathak presided over the meeting as chairman. Dr. A.K Singh, the esteemed Director of ICAR-IARI, New Delhi, extended a warm welcome to the chairman, Dr. Himanshu Pathak, Shri Sanjay Garg (Additional Secretary, DARE & Secretary, ICAR), Ms. Alka Nangia Arora (Joint Secretary, DARE & Financial Advisor, ICAR), along with DDGs and Directors from sister institutes.

During this gathering, Shri Sanjay Garg and Ms. Alka Nangia Arora, the Additional Secretary and Joint Secretary of DARE respectively, extended heartfelt New Year wishes to all ICAR staff and highlighted some significant accomplishments of the organization. The Secretary DARE and DG, ICAR also unveiled the latest edition of the ICAR telephone directory and Kheti magazine. Furthermore, they presented medals to the sports champions from various ICAR zones and the ICAR-IARI staff who excelled in sporting events held across the ICAR network.

Dr. Himanshu Pathak, conveyed New Year greetings to the entire ICAR staff. He commended the achievements of 2023 and urged everyone to set new goals for the year 2024. Dr. Pathak stressed the importance of teamwork, attributing ICAR's accomplishments to collective efforts. He proudly mentioned the production of 112 tons of wheat, a significant portion of which stemmed from climate-resilient varieties developed by ICAR institutes like IARI and IIWB, Karnal. He applauded the scientists, particularly at IARI, for their contributions in developing numerous crop and horticultural varieties.

Highlighting the surpassing of horticulture production over crop production due to new varieties, Dr. Pathak emphasized that around 80% of the wheat produced last year was from the top five varieties developed by ICAR. He underscored ICAR's focus on excelling in education and extension services moving forward. Additionally, Dr. Pathak touched upon innovative initiatives such as the corpus fund and resource generation undertaken by the council. He concluded by expressing gratitude to the entire staff once again, extending heartfelt wishes for a prosperous New Year ahead.



Honorable Secretary DARE and DG-ICAR, Dr. Himanshu Pathak, addressing the gathering during review meeting



Release of latest issue of Kheti Magazine



Director ICAR- IARI, extending a gracious welcome to esteemed guests and the august gathering



Dr. Himanshu Pathak, the Honorable Secretary of DARE and DG-ICAR, bestows well-deserved trophies upon the victorious ICAR Sports champions, celebrating excellence