World Soil Day 2019 Celebrations at IARI

The week-long celebrations of World Soil Day organised jointly by the Division of Soil Science and AgriculturalChemistry and Delhi Chapter of the Indian Society of Soil Science included a Farmers' Field Day at village NanglaTasi (Distt. Meerut, UP), visit of school children to the labs of ICAR-IARI and organising a quiz on "Soil and Society", for enhancing awareness of school children. More than 200 farmers participated in the field day organized on 03-12-2019, wherein they interacted with a multi-disciplinary team of scientists from ICAR-IARI regarding sustainable soil management practices, and also with Additional Commissioner (INM), Govt. of India regarding Government initiatives for soil evaluation and restoration.

Children representing 7 schools of New Delhi visited soil museum and labs of the division on 05-15-2019 who were addressed with the significance of soil and necessity of protecting this precious resource against erosion and other degradative processes. They also participated enthusiastically in a quiz on "Soil and Society". Addressing school children, faculty, PG students and other staff, Dr. A.K. Singh, Director, ICAR-IARI underlined significance of soil health restoration for the well-being of the society and appealed for maintaining soil health in all possible ways. Dr. Singh also distributed prizes to the students.



Dr. B.S. Dwivedi, Head SSAC addressing the gathered farmers on Farmers' Field Day



Farmers of the village NanglaTashi along with experts from ICAR-IARI



Director, ICAR-IARI distributing prizes to the winners of quiz competition



Director, ICAR-IARI along with Scientists and School children