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## Administrative Building and Seed Storage bank at KVK Kawardha inaugurated by Shri Balramji Das Tondon, Governor Chhattisgarh

Administrative Building and Seed Storage bank of KVK Kawardha was inaugurated by Shri Balramji Das Tondon, Governor Chhattisgarh in presence of Shri Brij Mohan Agarwal, Minister of Agriculture, Govt of Chhattisgarh, Shri Motiram Chandrawanshi, MLA Pandariya, Dr. S.K. Patil, VC, IGKV, Raipur, Shri Ajay Singh, APC. Five progressive farmers were felicitated on the occasion. A Kisan Mela and exhibition showcasing recent agriculture technologies was also organised on this

occasion. In his address Shri Balramji Das Tondon asked farmers to grow more crops including vegetables, fruits etc for enhancing the income through farming. He advised farmers to embrace latest technologies for livelihood improvement. Shri Brij Mohan Agarwal advised farmers to focus on animal husbandary, dairying activities, pulse cultivation etc. Around 2500 farmers participated in the Kisan Mela.



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## Mushroom Spawn Lab of KVK Bijapur inaugurated by Dr. Raman Singh, CM Chhattisgarh

A Mushroom Spawn Lab of KVK Bijapur was inaugurated by Dr Raman Singh, CM Chhattisgarh on 14 April 2015 in presence of MLA Sh Mahesh Gagada, various public representatives and farmers of the district. He

interacted with KVK scientists and took stock of various activities conducted by KVK. On the occasion members of Women SHG briefed him about mushroom production activities.



## Awards and Recognition:



KVK Jhabua received National Best KVK Award for the year 2013-14



KVK Dantewara received Zonal Best KVK Award for the year 2013-14



Dr. A.P. Dwivedi received Outstanding Achievement Award at PJTSAU, Hyderabad

## Retirement/Superannuation-

Shri S.L. Harinkhare, Assistant Administrative Officer of ICAR-Zonal Project Directorate, Zone-VII, Jabalpur has retired on 30 June, 2015. He has served ICAR in various capacities for 35 years during his service.



## Organisation of Pre Kharif Melas

Pre Kharif melas, Kisan Sanghoshtis have been organised by KVKs to make farmers aware regarding recent agricultural technologies for the Kharif 2015 season. The programme has been conducted in presence of respective honourable Member of

parliaments in KVK premises, Sansad Adarsh Gram Village. Farmers from the district along with other district officials, public representatives participated in the programme. In this quarter total 17 Pre Kharif Melas were attended by respective Member of Parliaments.

### Glimpses of the Pre Kharif Mela:

#### KVK Balaghat- 28 June 2015



#### KVK Morena- 26 June 2015



#### Sh. Bodhsing Bhagat KVK Seoni- 23 June 2015





**Sh. Dalpat Singh Paraste, Shahdol**



**Mr. Lakhanlal Sahu, Bilaspur**



**Dr. C.M. Maliviya, KVK Ujjain**

**Dr. Veerendra Kumar, Chhattarpur**



**Shri Dinesh Kashyap, KVK Dantewara**

**Sh Vishnu Dev Sai, MoS, Ministry of Steel, Mineral, Labour and employment, GOI**





## Capacity Building Programmes organised in the Quarter April to June 2015

S.No.	Area	Date	Venue	Participants PC/SMS/PA
1.	Orientation Course on IPM in Major Crops	16-17 April, 2015	DES, JNKVV, Jabalpur	Plant protection / Agronomists
2.	Review-cum- Action Plan Workshop on Soil and Fertility Management	20-21 April, 2015	Indian Institute of Soil Science, Bhopal	Soil Scientist
3.	Review-cum- Action Plan Workshop on Soybean Technology	22-23 April, 2015	Directorate of Soybean Research, Indore	Agronomy/Pathology or FLD Incharge having interventions on soybean
4.	Review-cum- Action Plan Workshop on Fishery Technology	23-25 April 2015	CIFE, Kolkata Centre	Fishery
5.	Review-cum- Action Plan Workshop on Rice Technology	27-28 April, 2015	Central Rice Research Institute, Cuttack, Odisha	Agronomy/Pathology or FLD Incharge having interventions on rice
6.	Review-cum- Action Plan Workshop on Weed Management	19-20 May, 2015	Directorate of Weed Science Research, Jabalpur	Agronomy or FLD Incharge having interventions on weed management
7.	Review-cum- Action Plan Workshop on Livestock Production	1-2 May, 2015	ZPD Zone VII, Jabalpur	Veterinary/ Animal Science/LPM
8.	Review Workshop of NICRA KVKs	5-7 May, 2015	ZPD Zone VII, Jabalpur	14 NICRA
9.	Action Plan Workshop for Chhattisgarh	25-26 April, 2015	DES, IGKV, Raipur	All KVKs in CG
10.	Action Plan Workshop for M.P.	28-29 April, 2015	KVK Ujjain, M.P.	All KVKs in M.P.
11.	Action Plan Workshop for Odisha	18-19 May, 2015	DEAN, OUAT	All KVKs in Odisha
12.	Review Workshop of Extension Experts	17-18 June, 2015	KVK, Jabalpur	Extension
13.	Workshop for Home Science Experts	25-27 June, 2015	KVK Ujjain	Home Science

### Glimpses of Capacity Building Programmes:





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## KMA ACTIVITIES

Around one million farmers were covered through mobile advisories by 100 KVKs through 1420 messages comprising the subjects of crop, livestock, marketing,

awareness etc. in the Zone VII during the quarter April to June 2015. All KVKs under this directorate are now using farmer portal for sending the messages.

No. of Calls	No. of farmers Covered	No. of Messages (Text)	Type of messages					
			Crop	Livestock	Weather	Marketing	Awareness	Other enterprise
10603	963771	1420	672	177	120	32	285	134



## Technology Demonstration Component under NICRA by KVKs

### NICRA is operational in 17 KVKs of Zone VII.

- Under Natural resources Management Module, a total of 919 farmers benefited and covering area of the 588.64 ha area in all activities. Though total 95 demonstrations were conducted on 98.74 ha area focusing on in-situ moisture conservation, summer deep ploughing water harvesting and recycling for supplemental irrigation, improved drainage in flood in prone areas, etc.
- Under Crop Production module, a total of 724 farmers benefited and covered 323.22 ha area focused on drought tolerant varieties, advancement of planting dates of rabi crops to escape for terminal heat stress, etc. on green gram, black gram and vegetable crops.
- Under Livestock and fisheries module, a total of 1139 farmers benefited through covering 1059 animals and birds focusing the preventive vaccination, de-worming of animals and animal health camp and three ha area were covered.
- Under Institutional interventions, in custom hiring through various implements - Rotavator, multi crop thresher and seed drill, etc. 245 farmers were benefitted and it covered 83 ha area.
- Under Capacity Building, total 60 training courses were organized benefiting 1830 participating farmers.
- As Extension Activity, a total of 129 activities were organized benefiting 2326 farmers.



### Zonal Project Directorate

Zonal Project Directorate, Zone VII was upgraded in March 2009 which was earlier known as Zonal Coordinating Unit. It was established on 11th September, 1979 under Cess Fund in the campus of Jawaharlal Nehru KrishiVishwaVidyalaya at Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh to monitor the activities of 100 KVKs comprises of three states namely Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh and Orissa.

### KVKs in Zone VII

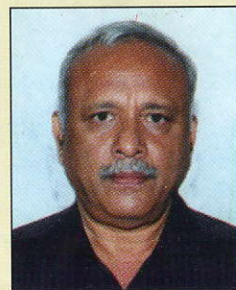
Zonal Project Directorate monitors activities of 100 KVKs in the three states namely Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh and Odisha.

Table-1: KVKs across the three state in the Zone VII

State	No. of District	Details of KVKs			Total
		SAU	ICAR	NGO	
Chhattisgarh	27	20	-	-	20
Madhya Pradesh	50	39	1	7	47
Odisha	30	31	2	-	33
<b>Total</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>100</b>



# DIRECTOR'S DESK



Dear Colleagues,

*KVKs under this directorate are working hard to facilitate the farmers with bleeding-edge knowledge and cutting-edge agro-technologies, providing need-based vocational training to rural youth, farmers and farm women engaged in agriculture and allied activities in three states of Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh and Odisha. In fact, KVKs are guiding farmers in proper decision making and technological application through group approach in convergence with the available developmental agencies in systematic manner.*

*It is proud moment for this directorate that KVK Jhabua has received National Best KVK Award for the year 2013-14 along with Zonal Best KVK Award for KVK Dantewara. Thirteen Capacity building programmes for scientists working in KVKs have been organised at Specialised ICAR Institutes by this directorate. Orientation Course on IPM in Major Crops was organised in collaboration with NCIPM, New Delhi for about 100 participants from KVKs of this directorate. Annual Action Plan workshop for three states has been conducted during this quarter. Pre Kharif Melas for sensitising farmers about recent technologies have been conducted by 35 KVKs in this quarter in presence of respective Member of Parliament. Pre Kharif Mela at KVK Kawardha saw the presence of Sh Balramji Das Tondon, Governor Chhattisgarh and Sh BrijMohan Agarwal, Minister of Agriculture, Govt of Chhattisgarh. A Mushroom Spawn Lab of KVK Bijapur was inaugurated by Dr Raman Singh, CM Chhattisgarh during the quarter. 26 KVKs of this directorate are involved in Seeds for Needs programme with Bioversity International with activities like Participatory Varietal Selection, Crowd Sourcing, Community Seed Bank etc.*

*Various programmes like National Initiative on Fodder Technology Demonstration, Technological Demonstration for Harnessing Pulse Productivity, Tribal Sub Plan, and National Initiative on Climate Resilient Agriculture are running in selected KVKs of this directorate. TSP is operational in 22 KVKs located in tribal region of Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh. Various climate resilient activities under the modules of Natural resources, Crop production, Livestock and Fisheries, Institutional Interventions, Capacity building and Extension activities are being carried out in 17 KVKs.*

*I sincerely thank the editorial team for their efforts in bringing out this issue of Newsletter. My word of appreciation for Programme Coordinators and staff of KVKs in Zone VII for their tremendous efforts and initiatives taken for better performance and serving farming community efficiently through mandated activities of KVKs.*

  
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