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Students Corner

DRDA - VISIT



The students of I B.Sc., (Hons.) Agriculture (2017-2021 batch) visited the "District Rural Development Agency (DRDA)", Collectorate Complex, Krishnagiri District for the course AEX 102 Fundamentals of Agricultural Extension Education (2+1) on 22nd June 2018. Mr. Elangovan, Superintendent, DRDA explained the overall activities and the rural development programmes implemented by the agency. A detailed information

on Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), Chief Minister's Solar Powered Green House Scheme (CMSPGHS), road development schemes viz., Pradhan Manthri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) and Tamil Nadu Rural Road Improvement Scheme (TNRRIS) were given. Students gained elaborate information about the activities of DRDA. At last, Dr. S. Janani, Assistant Professor (Agrl. Extension) proposed vote of thanks. The visit was coordinated by Dr. D. Kannan, Assistant Professor (Horticulture) and Ms. P. Nandeeswari, Assistant Professor (Agrl. Microbiology).

KVK - VISIT

A one day field visit was undertaken by the I year B.Sc., (Hons.) Agriculture students (2017-2021 batch) to "Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK)", Elumichangiri, Krishnagiri District for the course AEX 102 Fundamentals of Agricultural Extension Education (2+1) on 26th June 2018.

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Dr. Sundararajan, Programme Coordinator addressed the students about the activities of KVK, their organizational set up, funding pattern, research activities and outreach activities.

Importance of Integrated Farming System, feed and fodder for livestock and Slatted Floor Goat Rearing Method, applications of Geographical Information System in Agriculture were explained by the Subject Matter Specialists (SMS). Mr. Karthick, Farm Manager, took the students to the KVK farm and explained about the "High Density Planting" in horticultural crops viz., Mango, Sapota, Guava and Amla. Also, he explained about the preparation of vermicompost by using farm waste. The visit was highly useful for the students. The staff accompanied during the visit were Dr. S. Janani, Assistant Professor (AEX), Ms. P. Nandeeswari, Assistant Professor (AGM) and Dr. M. Sivaji, Assistant Professor (ABT).

PARENTS - TEACHERS MEET - I YEAR



Parents - Teachers Meet for the I year B.Sc., (Hons.) Agriculture students (2017-2021 batch)

was held on 17th April 2018 in the college premises. About 80 parents attended the meeting. Initially Dr. M. Sanjeeva Gandhi, Assistant Professor (Environmental Sciences) welcomed all the parents. Dr. H. Vijayaragavan, Dean i/c and Mr. P. Kalamegam, Manager felicitated the gathering. All the teaching staff of ACAR was present in that meeting. The exam pattern, course curriculum and rules followed in the campus and hostel were explained to the parents.

Parents clarified their queries about the ward's performance in curricular and co-curricular activities with the staff members. Various queries were raised by the parents in the meeting and the same was clarified by the Dean i/c, Manager and Staff Members. Mr. P. Kalamegam, Manager, explained about the Management's Initiative for the welfare of the students. A one to one discussion between each staff and parent was arranged. At the meeting, important decisions on academics were taken.

PARENTS - TEACHERS MEET - II YEAR

Parents - Teachers Meet for the II year students of B.Sc., Agriculture (2016-2020 batch) was held on 28th April 2018 in the college premises. About 75 parents participated in the meeting and discussed about their son/daughter's performance. Dr. M. Sanjeeva Gandhi, Assistant Professor (Environmental Sciences) welcomed all the parents. Dr. H. Vijayaragavan, Dean i/c and Mr. P. Kalamegam, Manager felicitated the gathering. All the teaching staff of ACAR was present in that meeting. The exam pattern, course curriculum and rules followed in the campus and hostel were explained to the parents.

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OPEN DAY SESSION



Open Day Session was conducted on 21st May 2018. Dr. H. Vijayaragavan, Dean i/c inaugurated the session and delivered the inaugural address. He explained about the agricultural education system, scope of studying agriculture as a profession and TNAU administrative set up. Mr. P. Kalamegam, Manager felicitated the gathering. About 50 students who are interested in joining B.Sc., (Hons.) Agriculture course attended the session along with their parents. At this interactive session, Dr. J. Kabriel, Academic Coordinator elaborated the system of education in TNAU, different UG courses offered, eligibility criteria, category wise cut off mark, age limit, reservation for NRI quota, special



reservation, sports quota, differently abled students quota and fee structure for each degree programme.

He explained about the constituent and affiliated colleges functioning under TNAU. Also, he demonstrated about the filling up and submission of application form and about online counseling system. He then explained about the infrastructure and other facilities available in ACAR campus. Parents and students actively involved in the session and clarified their doubts. All the teaching staff of ACAR attended the session.

DRO - VISIT



Mrs. Shanthi, District Revenue Officer, Krishnagiri District visited the college premises on 19th June 2018. She had discussion with Dr. H. Vijayaragavan, Dean i/c and Mr. P. Kalamegam, Manager, ACAR about the facilities of the college and she visited the college agriculture farm, horticulture farm and animal husbandry unit. She appreciated the efforts made by the Management, Dean i/c and Staff members of ACAR to made this college a high standard one.

Co-Curricular Activities

2ND COLLEGE AND HOSTEL DAY

The second College Day and Hostel Day was observed on 19th June 2018. The function was started with Tamil Thaaai Vaazhthu. Ms. V. Arthi Assistant Warden (Girls Hostel) welcomed the gathering. Mr. R. Harish, NSS coordinator presented the NSS report. He has recollected the



various NSS activities that was held during the year 2017-18. Next to him, Dr. K. Ilayakumar, Deputy Warden (Boys Hostel) presented the Hostel Report. Mr. P. Kalamegam, Manager delivered the special address. He advised the students to concentrate on their studies and to clear the exams without any arrears. He has pointed out the various facilities provided by the Management to the Students. Dr. H. Vijayaragavan, Dean i/c delivered the Club Day and Hostel Day address. He motivated the students to develop self confidence and not to lose hope, if they face any failures. He wished the students to get good marks in the upcoming semester exams.

Mr. P. Velavan, Head of Vidiyal NGO, Krishnagiri was the Chief Guest. He started his special address by telling an incident that Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam participated in a university function which was held in USA. In that function, Dr. A.P.J opined that his wish is to start a agricultural college in USA for Tamilians. He appreciated all the staff members of ACAR for upgrading and maintaining all the laboratories in a high class standard. At last, he rightly pointed out that agriculturist is going to rule all over the world in forthcoming years. He distributed prizes to the winners who won in college and hostel day events. The function came to an end with the vote of thanks given by Dr. S. Janani, Deputy Warden (Girls Hostel). Students performed colourful cultural events. All the students of I and II year, teaching and non-teaching staff of ACAR participated in this occasion.



Sports and Yoga

2ND ANNUAL SPORTS MEET



The second annual sports meet was held on 16.05.2018. Mr. T. Vinikkarraj, Assistant Professor (PED) welcomed the gathering. The sports meet was inaugurated by hoisting the National Flag and College Flag by the Dean i/c and the Chief Guest. Mr. Chinthan, Games Secretary of Student's Club carried the Olympic Torch and lit the cauldron, followed by pronouncement of oath. Athletic events were taken place. Dr. H. Vijayaragavan, Dean i/c delivered the inaugural address. He explained the importance of physical education and physical fitness in a student's life. Mr. P. Kalamegam, Manager appreciated the students who won in different games conducted in the college premises.

Mr. R. Sudararajan, Deputy Superintendent of Police (Finger Print Expert), Thiruvannamalai District was the chief guest. He started his speech by explaining the importance of Agriculture Course, his special memories during his college

days, the importance of sports to keep the body mentally and physically fit. He felicitated the gathering and distributed certificates, prizes and medals for all the winners and runners. The sports meet came to an end with the vote of thanks given by Mrs. M. Guna, Assistant Professor (PED). All the students of I and II year, teaching and non-teaching staff of ACAR participated in this occasion.



INTERNATIONAL YOGA DAY



International Yoga Day was observed on 21st June 2018. Welcome address was given by Ms. Deva Dharshini of I year B.Sc., (Hons.) Agriculture. Dr. H. Vijayaragavan, Dean i/c gave the presidential address. He explained the benefits of yoga, which gives physical fitness and mental relaxation to the mankind. Students of ACAR gave speech on the importance of yoga. Mr. M. Paras Shree, President, Patanjali Yoga Samiti, Tamil Nadu was the chief guest. He elaborated about the need of yoga in our daily life. Also, he demonstrated different asanas viz., Pranayama, all Mudhras, Suriya Namaskar,

Komukka Aasana, Padmasana, Ekapathasana and Pachaimuthasana. Students actively performed all the asanas as demonstrated by the chief guest. At the end, Mrs. M. Guna, Assistant Professor (PED) delivered the vote of thanks. All the students of I year, teaching and non teaching staff of ACAR attended the function.

NSS Activities

NSS SPECIAL CAMP



National Service Scheme of ACAR conducted ten days special camp for the II year (2016-2020 batch) students of B.Sc., (Agriculture) from 08.05.2018 to 17.05.2018. Mr. G. Murugan, Project Director, Community Development Society was the chief guest and inaugurated the function on 08.05.2018. On the first day, rally on road safety took place in Athimugam. On 9th and 10th May, temple cleaning was done in Sri Alageshwara Swami Temple and Anjenaya Temple in Athimugam. Cleaning of school was taken place to make plastic free campus and by planting trees in school premises on 11.05.2018. The next day is marked with parthenium eradication and planting trees in the college premises.

On 13th May, 2018, Mr. C. Kathiravan, District Collector, Krishnagiri handed over the Palavanapalli village lake to NSS unit of ACAR and ACAR adopted the Palavanapalli village lake. On that day, cleaning and de-silting of lake was done with the presence of Government officials of Krishnagiri. The subsequent days were marked

with Animal Health Camp and Medical Camp on 14th and 15th, May respectively. The NSS volunteers, staff members and people from nearby villages were given free eye check up, BP and cholesterol check up, diabetes and advice on other health problems by a team of doctors from M/s. Kaveri Hospital, Hosur.

ACAR campus cleaning was done on 16.05.2018 to make the campus free from plastic. The last day is marked with Valedictory function. Certificates were given to the NSS volunteers for their active involvement in each and every programme. Dr. H. Vijayaragavan, Dean i/c and Mr. P. Kalamegam, Manager coordinated and executed the camp. All the teaching staff of ACAR participated in the camp. NSS programme coordinators Mr. R. Harish, Assistant Professor (ARM), Dr. K. Ilayakumar, Assistant Professor (AH) and Ms. V. Arthi, Assistant Professor (SS&AC) organized the programme.



INTERNATIONAL DAY ON DRUG ABUSE



National Service Scheme of Adhiyamaan College of Agriculture and Research and Indian Red Cross Society jointly organised a rally on drug abuse in the Athimugam Village of Shoolagiri

Taluk, Krishnagiri District on 26.06.2018. Mr. P. Kalamegam, Manager inaugurated the rally and felicitated the gathering. Students of I and II year B.Sc., Agriculture gave speech on the importance of this day, major causes of drug abuse and the ill effects of addiction to drug. About 200 NSS volunteers of ACAR participated in the rally. Leaflets and Pamphlets on ill effects of drug were distributed to the people. All the teaching staff of ACAR participated in the rally. NSS programme coordinators Mr. R. Harish, Assistant Professor (ARM), Dr. K. Ilayakumar, Assistant Professor (AH) and Ms. V. Arthi, Assistant Professor (SS&AC) organized the programme.

Extension Activities

ATMA: SSEPERS, 2017-18



On 17th April 2018, the farmers of Vepanapalli block have visited the ACAR campus on the ATMA programme. The farmers were accompanied by a Agricultural Officer. Their objective of the field visit was to know about "Organic Farming". About twenty farmers came for the field visit. Dr. H. Vijayaragavan, Dean i/c welcomed the Agricultural Officer and the farmers. Dr. Udhayakumar, Assistant Professor (Agronomy) explained about the activities which are taking place in the college farm and the importance of organic farming at the present situation. The farmers visited the college agricultural farm, horticultural farm and animal husbandry unit.

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