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To  
The Editor,

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Sir,

I request that the following matter may kindly be published in your esteemed daily:

**Frequent Field Visit of Scientists Enhance Pulse Production –  
says TNAU VC**

Directorate of Extension Education, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University (TNAU), Coimbatore is organized 3 days Annual Action Plan cum Training Programme for Krishi Vighyan Kendra (KVK) scientists here in Farmers' Residency, TNAU, Coimbatore. Programme inauguration was held on Mar. 15, 2016.

Except Chennai, an over Districts of Tamil Nadu having KVK, completely founded by Indian Council for Agricultural Research (ICAR), New Delhi. All the 30 KVKs in Tamil Nadu, requested for send 3 scientists and totally 90 scientists are participating in these 3 days training programme.

Dr. H. Philip, Director of Extension Education, TNAU, Coimbatore in his welcome address said that, with continuous support of our Vice-Chancellor and Govt. of Tamil Nadu, all the KVKs are performed well. This training programme is intended to train the scientists to prepare themselves to transfer the new agricultural technologies to the farming community in appropriate manner for forth coming year, he added.

Dr. Sreenath Dixit, Director, Agricultural Technology Application Research Institute (ATARI), Bengaluru while felicitating the scientists participating in the training said that, KVK is meant for transfer of technology should be strengthened with appropriate feedback mechanism. This year has been announced as 'International year

of Pulses'. Hence, our scientists are requested to give special attention to boost the pulses production through support farmers by providing appropriate technologies.

Dr. K. Ramasamy, Vice-Chancellor, TNAU, Coimbatore in his inaugural address said that every scientists working in TNAU should feel be responsibility to serve for the farming community for that they should equip themselves through technology, attitude and skill. Unless otherwise if scientists are not updated about field in which they are working for, they could not able to face the farmers' demand, he added.

Each District of Tamil Nadu entrusted with one KVK, so it is appropriate that scientists should do the field work in their responsible District they placed and interact frequency with farmers and document the same for action. Scientists in the KVK should develop positive attitude towards the field work, they should know at least 1 or 2 farmers from every panchayat village. As rightly said by ATARI Director Dr. Dixit, this year is International Year of Pulses. It is time to prove our mettle again as we did in cereal production.

TNAU have developed varieties of pulses which have the characteristics of uniform maturity, which has good demand among the farmer should be effectively promoted. As Govt. of Tamil Nadu, decided to reintroduce T and V system (Training and Visiting) again in the state as extension delivery mechanism. Scientist should prepare and equip themselves to answer queries from farmer and agricultural officer during monthly zonal workshop. Inter disciplinary and inter dependent approach among the scientists need to be inculcated to achieve and face all the challenges the farming community face at present.

Dr. S. Palanisamy, Professor & Head, Training Division, TNAU, Coimbatore proposed a formal vote of thanks.

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