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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:

### **Earn while You Learn programme Inaugurated in TNAU**

The inauguration function of earn while you learn programme connected to a UG practical course, popularly called student plot cultivation of rice has been kick started as an auspicious ceremony on 15.03.2019 at the wetlands of Department of Agronomy, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore. The nuances of crop production are taught to the 3<sup>rd</sup> year students by the Department of Agronomy. System of Rice Intensification consisting, young & single seedlings, square planting, alternate wetting and drying, operation of conoweeder, LCC based nitrogen application are implemented to inculcate the concept of more crop per drop of water in student plot cultivation.

Each student's will be allotted 5 cents of land in wetland farm and the entire operations will be handled by the individuals and the profit will be given to the individual students.

This methodology of transplanting was inaugurated by the Vice-Chancellor Dr. N. Kumar along with Dr. V. Geethalakshmi, Director (Crop Management), and Dr. M. Kalyanasundaram, Dean (Agriculture). Dr. C. R. Chinnamuthu, Professor and Head, Department of Agronomy, the course teachers are involved in organizing the inaugural function of planting at the Wetland farm. The Deans of colleges, Directors, Heads of Departments also participated.

Nearly 120 students have been involved in this transplanting operation.

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