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To The Editor, Sir,

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

TNAU throngs Special programme on "Nanotechnology and Energy Technologies for Agriculture"

Two Weeks Special programme on "Nanotechnology and Energy Technologies for Agriculture" was inaugurated at Agricultural Engineering College and Research Institute, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore on 18 July 2023 under TNAU – IDP International Visiting Professor Programme.

Dr.S.Karthikeyan, Professor & Head, Centre for Post-Harvest Technology, welcomed the gathering. Dr.A.Raviraj, Dean, AEC&RI, felicitated the gathering and emphasized the importance of nanotechnology and energy technologies in Agricultural Engineering and Food technology. Director Dr.E. Somasundaram, Directorate of Agri-Business Development also delivered the felicitation address and enunciated regarding the residence entrepreneurship programme for students with good entrepreneurship ideas and actions to receive upto Rs.30,000 per month as stipend.

The special address was delivered by Dr.SenthilarasuSundaram, Associate Professor, Edinburg Napier University, Scotland, United Kingdomand enlightened the present and futuristic use of nanotechnology and also motivated students to pursue higher education in his Institute. He pointed out successful technology development by TNAU students on Nano-cellulose particle which is used for Biodegradable food packaging from Cowdung. Inaugural address was delivered by Dr.V.Geethalakshmi, Vice-Chancellor of TNAU. She inspired the students to explore the opportunities provided by the University. Vice chancellor added that Innovations in nanotechnology can help safeguard food security and protect the public from pathogens in food, water and the environment. Faculty and undergraduate students has undergone the International Training at Malaysia, Taiwan, Germany, South Korea and Dubai. Faculty Members and students of AEC&RI attended the Inaugural session. Dr.D.Ramesh, Professor and Head, Department of Renewable Energy Engineering proposed the vote of thanks.

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