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The Editor,

Sir,

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

TNAU conducts 'ECOFEST '26 - Sustainable Energy Governance and Climate Cooperation

Agricultural Engineering College and Research Institute, (AEC&RI) TNAU, Coimbatore hosted Ecofest '26 – An International Conference on Sustainable Energy Governance and Climate Cooperation on 14.05.2026 (Thursday). Around 500 participants, scientists and students from various college and industry experts attended the conference. The inaugural session commenced with the traditional lighting of the lamp.

Dr. P. Subramanian, Professor & Organizing Secretary, welcomed the gathering and highlighted the importance of collaborative efforts in achieving sustainable development and climate cooperation.

Dr. P. Rajkumar, Dean, AEC&RI, Coimbatore in his felicitation address highlighted the importance of scientific conference and highlighted the importance of energy-environmental nexus, sustainable energy for industries and various government initiatives in energy and environmental sector and released the proceedings of the international conference.

Dr. R. Lalitha, Dean, AEC&RI, Kumulur in her felicitation address highlighted the bioremediation approaches linking climate change to sustainable wastewater treatment. Dr. C. Babu, Dean (SPGS), highlighted the importance of biomass-based energy and emphasized the need for effective governance policies. Dr. G. Balasubramanian, Dean (CSW) focused on eco-friendly technologies and emphasized the fundamental duty of every citizen to protect the environment.

The Chief Guest Dr. C.R. Mehta, Director, ICAR–CIAE, Bhopal, delivered the keynote address emphasizing renewable energy adoption in agricultural mechanization, climate-resilient technologies, agro-voltaics, and green hydrogen production for achieving India's carbon neutrality goals. He highlighted the need for engineering interventions and policy support to strengthen sustainable energy systems in agriculture.

Er. Y. Beulah, Environmental Engineer (Flying Squad), Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board, Coimbatore delivered the special address and emphasized the significance of environmental protection, pollution management, sustainable development, and the collective responsibility of society in ensuring ecological balance. Ms. S. Kowsalya, Student Organizing Secretary delivered the vote of Thanks.

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