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To
The Editor,
Sir,

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

TNAU conducts National Workshop on “Tracking the Carbon Footprint”

TNAU conducted Three-days National Workshop on “Tracking the Carbon Footprint: Hands-on Trace Gas and GHG Emission Measurements” on 21 January 2026 at the Agro- Climate Research Centre (ACRC), TNAU, Coimbatore. It was organized by the Centre of Excellence (CoE) on Climate and Disaster Resilient Agriculture sponsored by the DST–NMSKCC Centre. The workshop aims to strengthen capacity building in greenhouse gas measurement, monitoring and carbon footprint assessment in agriculture.

The inaugural programme commenced with a welcome address by Dr. M.K. Kalarani, Director (Crop Management) and Dr. P. Balasubramaniam, Director (ODL) and Principal Investigator, DST–CoE–CDRA gave a brief introduction about the DST–NMSKCC–CoE–CDRA. The inaugural address and keynote lecture were delivered by Dr. V. Geethalakshmi, Former Vice-Chancellor, TNAU, who elaborated on carbon footprint concepts, including sources, sinks, and carbon budgets, and their relevance to climate-resilient and sustainable agriculture. Dr. Swati Jain, Scientist–D, Centre for Earth Sciences and Technology (CEST), DST, New Delhi, delivered the felicitation address and highlighted the importance of national initiatives in climate research and carbon footprint assessment. The inaugural session concluded with honouring the dignitaries, followed by vote of thanks proposed by Dr.N.K.Sathyamoorthy, Professor and Head, ACRC.

A total of 48 participants, including research scholars, research fellows and scientists from across the country, registered for the workshop to gain hands-on practical exposure to greenhouse gas (GHG) emission measurement and monitoring techniques. The workshop will be conducted for the three days from 21-23, January and various topics on carbon foot print, trace gas and GHG Emission Measurements will be delivered by experts.

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