

Two-day Mid-term Review Workshop of Krishi Vigyan Kendras organized by ICAR-ATARI, Zone-III, Kanpur

On 26 October 2023, a Two-day Mid-term Review workshop of 25 KVKs under South Western Semi Arid and Central Plain Zones of Uttar Pradesh has been inaugurated at ICAR-ATARI, Zone-III, Kanpur. On the first day of the workshop, Heads of 12 KVKs (Agra, Mathura, Firozabad, Mainpuri, Aligarh, Etah, Mahamaya Nagar, Kasganj, Prayagraj-I, Fatehpur, Kaushambi and Pratapgarh) have presented their action plans of their Krishi Vigyan Kendra for 2024.

In the inaugural session, Dr. S.K. Singh, Principal Scientist (AE), ICAR-ATARI Kanpur & Former Director, ICAR-ATARI, Jodhpur, Rajasthan welcomed all the Heads & Scientists and briefly explained the purpose of this workshop. The Action plan is the main focus of workshop and the work done by the KVKs till now is also being reviewed. He has also emphasized that there is a special need to develop and implement On-farm trials considering the problems of farmers in all KVKs. Each KVK should select and demonstrate the technology keeping in mind the problem of the selected villages.

Dr. Raghwendra Singh, Principal Scientist (Horti), ICAR-ATARI, Kanpur spoke gave introductory remarks. He also requested all the KVKs for proper documentation of information about the species being planted in paddy and wheat, the documentation of percentage of each species etc. is necessary. He urged KVKs to work with the farmers by solving whatever problems they face in the field.

Dr. R.K. Yadav, Director of Extension, CSAUAT, Kanpur informed about the vision and work of KVKs and also urged KVKs to work by water management, weed management, fertilizer management problems etc.

Dr. O.P. Singh, former Director of Extension, SVPUAT, Meerut also gave an address on this occasion. He has also stressed upon all the scientists to think and work together. He urged KVKs to work by taking the farmers alongwith and keeping in mind farmers' problems, so that the farmers can get real results.

After the inaugural session, the technical session started in which on the first day, 12 Krishi Vigyan Kendras presented the Action Plan 2024, which the resource persons reviewed and gave their comments and suggestions. On this occasion, UC/AUC, Budget status, Expenditure, PFMS, Agri-drone, opening of separate bank accounts for project and financial position for each project, *Rabi* demonstrations under Crop Residue Management Project, NICRA Project, NARI Project, Natural Farming Project etc. topics were discussed in detail.

At the end of the workshop, vote of thanks was given by Dr. Seema Yadav, Scientist, ICAR-ATARI, Kanpur.

