

Mid-term Review and Action Plan meeting of KVKs under Bundelkhand, North Eastern Plains & Vindhyan Zones (UP) initiated by ICAR-ATARI, Zone-III, Kanpur

On 17 November 2023, a Two-days Mid-term Review workshop of 23 KVKs under Bundelkhand, North Eastern Plain & Vindhyan Zones of Uttar Pradesh has been initiated at ICAR-ATARI, Zone-III, Kanpur.

At the outset, Dr. Shantanu Kumar Dubey, Director, ICAR-ATARI, Zone-III, Kanpur welcomed all the experts and participants. He expressed that this workshop is being organized to guide the KVKs for action plan preparation for the year 2024 for 23 KVKs of Bundelkhand, North Eastern plains and Vindhyan agro-climatic zones of Uttar Pradesh. Dr. Dubey urged the participating KVKs to understand and appreciate the needs, situations and problems of the farmers of their districts in order to develop the need based and situation specific technical plan and execute them in farmer-centric and science-led manner. The findings there of shall be meaningful to the State line department (field extension system) so that the problems of the farmers can be solved at scale. He emphasized that there is a special need to develop and implement On-farm trials considering the major causes of farmers' prioritized problems by every KVK. He appealed to KVKs that they should schedule field based interventions in multi-disciplinary mode. He said that through such exercises, KVKs may be emerged as the knowledge and resource center in the district, in true sense.

After the inaugural session, the technical session started in which, on the first day of the workshop, Heads of 12 KVKs (Bahraich-I, Bahraich-II, Gonda-I, Gonda-II, Balrampur, Jhansi, Mahoba, Hamirpur, Jalaun, Lalitpur, Banda and Chitrakoot) presented their action plans for 2024, which the expert resource persons reviewed and gave their suggestions. On this occasion, the other flagship programmes of ICAR being implemented by Krishi Vigyan Kendras and the other issues like financial status, budget etc. were also discussed in detail.

In the workshop Dr. O.P. Singh, Former Director (Extension), SVPUAT, Meerut; Dr. R.R. Singh, Additional Director (Extension), ANDUAT, Ayodhya; Dr. Narendra Singh, Additional Director (Extension), BUAT, Banda; Dr. S.K. Singh, Principal Scientist (AE); Dr. Raghwendra Singh, Principal Scientist (Horti.), and Dr. Seema Yadav, Scientist (LPM) also participated.

