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### Global Millets (Shree Anna) Conference, New Delhi

Sh. Narendra Modi, Hon'ble Prime Minister of India inaugurated the Global Millets (Shree Anna) Conference in New Delhi at Subramaniam Hall, NASC Complex, IARI Campus, PUSA New Delhi on 18 March, 2023 at 11 AM.

Based on India's proposal, the year 2023 was declared as the International Year of Millets (IYM) by the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA). The 'International Year of Millets' stands to provide a unique opportunity to increase global production, ensure efficient processing and consumption, promote better utilization of crop rotations and encourage better connectivity throughout food systems to promote millets as a key component of the food basket. The organization of Global Millets (Shree Anna) Conference in India is an important programme in this context.

In his address the Prime Minister Sh. Narendra Modi stated that India aims to make IYoM 2023 a people's movement for the overall benefit of the cultivator, consumer and climate. The Global Millets conference objective is to elevate awareness of Shree Anna (Nutricereals / millets) for food security and nutrition, enhance investment in R&D and extension, and inspire stakeholders towards improving production, productivity and quality of millets with the intention of position India as the 'Global hub for millets'.

During this programme, the Prime Minister announced that ICAR-Indian Institute of Millets Research (IIMR), Hyderabad as the "Global Centre on Excellence on Millets". He also unveiled a customized postal stamp as well as a commemorative Rs. 75 currency coin to mark the 'International Year of Millets' being celebrated in 2023. A video on millets, which the government named 'Shree Anna', was also released during the event. Besides this, video messages from the Heads of State of Ethiopia and Guyana were also played during the inaugural ceremony.

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Sh. Narendra Singh Tomar, Union Agriculture Minister and his counterparts from six countries were pre-

sent at the event. Sh. Tomar briefed about the importance of millets and stated that the year 2023 will witness a year-long campaign and several activities nationally and globally for increased adoption and promotion of millets. A roundtable session of agriculture ministers as well as bilateral meetings were convened.

The two-day global conference had various sessions on all important issues related to millets (Shree Anna) like promotion and awareness of millets among producers, consumers and other stakeholders; millets' value chain development; health and nutritional aspects of millets; market linkages and research and development. Various technical sessions were jointly organized by ICAR-IIMR-Hyderabad, and ICAR-IARI-New Delhi. The overall programme was organized by APEDA.

The conference was largely attended by Agriculture Ministers of various countries, international scientists, farmers, nutritionists, health experts, start-ups, exporters, retail businesses, Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs), Farmers Self-Help Groups, schools, Agri-Universities, Krishi Vigyan Kendra's (KVKs), Gram Panchayats, Common Service Centres (CSC), Cooperative Institutions and other stakeholders.

The two-day conference also witnessed participation from dignitaries such as Dr. Himanshu Pathak, Director General, Indian Council



of Agriculture (ICAR), Dr. Jaquelene Hughes, Director General, ICRISAT; Jong-Jin Kim, ADG & Regional Representative for Asia and Pacific, FAO; DDGs and ADGs from ICAR, New Delhi, Dr. Tara Satyavathi, Director, ICAR- Indian Institute of Millets Research, Hyderabad, Chef Thomas Gugler, President, World Association of Chefs, etc., alongside an esteemed audience of Padma Awardee farmers.

The following scientific staff from IIMR-Hyderabad: Drs. CV Ratnavathi, KBRS Visarada,

B Dayakar Rao, C Aruna, B Venkatesh Bhat, RR Chapke, B Gangaiah, AV Umakanth, Nepolean T, Hariprasanna K, D Balakrishna, P Rajendra Kumar, KN Ganapathi, and B Amasiddha also participated in the programme and served in various committees. Dr. V Ravi Kumar, TO and his IIMR-Nutrihub team organized the Millet Exhibition stall.

#### Buyer-Seller Meet and Exhibition Stalls

An Exhibition-cum-Buyer-Seller Meet (BSM) with a focus on millets was also held during Global Millets (Shree Anna) Conference held at New Delhi from 18-19 march, 2023, with the participation of more than 50 domestic and international buy-



ers, importers, exporters and processors for the promotion of millets. The exhibition of more than 100 stalls showcased millets and millet-based ready-to-cook and ready-to-eat products by millet-based startups, exporters and live cooking sessions by various international and national chefs. ICAR-Indian Institute of Millets Research also put-up a stall and showcased all live samples of various crops, value added products developed at CoE-Nutrihub of IIMR-Hyderabad under the brand name "Eatrite". More than 1000 participants visited our stall including Agriculture Ministers of various states and Director General -ICAR.

## Walkathon to promote millets held

A Millet Walkathon was conducted in Hyderabad on 03 March, 2023 to promote and popularize the consumption of millets and emphasize their health benefits. The walkathon was organized by the ICAR-Indian Institute of Millets Research (ICAR-IIMR) in collaboration with PJTSAU, ICAR-NAARM, ICAR-IIRR, PVNR Veterinary college, MANAGE and other Agriculture and Allied public and private institutions on 3 March, 2023 at 3:15 pm from Professor Jayashankar Telangana



State Agricultural University (PJTSAU) to ICAR-Indian Institute of Millets Research (IIMR). Dr. B Dayakar Rao, administered the Millet Pledge by the students and other employees of various organizations. More than 800 participants including staff of various ICAR institutions located at Rajendranagar,

Students and NCC cadets of PJTSAU participated in the mega event. This event was held as part of the International Year of Millets-2023 and was an exciting opportunity for participants to come together and celebrate the importance of millets. All the necessary precautions were taken care for the smooth run of the event including traffic maintenance with the help traffic Police, ambulance service and water dispensers on the way. Millet recipes were served to all the participants at IIMR premises. PJTSAU students performed the street play narrating the importance of Millets as important crops even can grow in adverse conditions with minimum inputs.

Dr. Tara Satyavathi, Director, ICAR-IIMR, and J Satyanara-yana, Dean, PJTSAU flagged off the walkathon. In the closing ceremony at IIMR the following dignitaries briefed about the importance of millets: Dr. Uday kumar, Principal, PVNR Veterinary college, Dr. Mahender Reddy, Principal Scientist, IIRR, Dr. Nagesh Kumar, Principal Scientist, ARI, PJTSAU and Dr. Tara Satyavathi, Director, IIMR and Dr. B Dayakar Rao, CEO, Nutrihub, IIMR. This event was successfully coordinated by Dr. V Ravi kumar, Technical Officer and the Nutrihub team of IIMR.

### **Rajasthan Millets Conclave-2023**

Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot inaugurated the "Rajasthan Millets Conclave-2023" at the State Institute of Agricultural Management at Durgapura in Jaipur city on 13 March 2023. The Chief Minister said that agricultural research will benefit the farmers in preparing their crops for the future. This conclave was jointly organized by Rajasthan State Agricultural Marketing Board and Nutrihub, ICAR-IIMR, Hyderabad. The conclave was facilitated as a better platform for various stakeholders to exchange important suggestions for better production, management and marketing of millets. Drs. C Tara Satyavathi, Director, IIMR, B Dayakar Rao, CEO, Nutrihub, and P Sanjana Reddy, Pr. Scientist, participated in the technical sessions and deliberations.

**Exhibition Stall**: The technologies developed by ICAR-IIMR & Nutrihub Hyderabad were illustrated in the millets expo stall in millets exhibition program. Seeds of different millets and different millet products were exhibited in the stall. The stall was visited by different dignitaries and farmers. Farmers from different parts of Rajasthan were guided regarding millets production technology and their seed production and value addition. Drs. A Srinivas, Scientist and Mahesh Kumar, ACTO organized the Stall.

# National workshop on Millets @Pasighat, Arunachal Pradesh 2023

The College of Agriculture, Horticulture and Forestry CAU (Imphal) Pasighat, Arunachal Pradesh in collaboration with ICAR-Indian Institute of Millets Research (IIMR), Hyderabad



organized National workshop on "Millets: Sustainable practices, value addition, policies and partnership" at Pasighat Arunachal Pradesh during 15-16 March 2023to enhance cultivation area and to promote consumption of Millets in North Eastern States of India. To mark the International Year of Millets, a WALKATHON was conducted to create awareness and

popularize the importance of in Northeastern states during this workshop. Millet recipe competition was also organized during this workshop. Dr. Sangappa, Scientist and Nodal Officer, NEH Project of ICAR-IIMR delivered a key note address on health benefits of Millets & Business opportunities for FPOs. The workshop was jointly organized by Dr. Prem Aradhya, Assistant Professor, CAU Imphal and Dr. Sangappa, Scientist, ICAR-IIMR, Hyderabad

# Training programme on "Millets production and processing technologies"

ICAR-Indian Institute of Millets Research organized a training programme entitled "Latest millet production and protection technologies" for the agriculture officers from Assam state on 17 March, 2023. Total 36 officers participated in this programme. Lectures were delivered on the topics such as over view of the millet research, millet value addition and agronomy



practices for millet cultivation, latest crop improvement in Proso millet and Kodo millet. Dr. RR Chapke, Coarse Director said that millets are termed as nutricereals in view of its good nutritional specialties such as a complex carbohydrate, gluten free, high dietary fibre and rich in minerals. Millets promotion is need of the hour to combat increasing lifestyle diseases and adverse climate change impact on resource poor farmer's livelihood.

The trainees also visited the Centre of Excellence of Millets, Nutrihub and other processing units and got aquatinted with the recent technologies and facilities available at IIMR. This training programme was organized by the following committee: Dr. RR Chapke, Coarse Director and Dr. Avinash Singode Coarse Coordinator. The other resource persons were: Drs. Deepika Cheraku, Swarna Ronanki and A Srinivas.

#### Millet Mela at Tura, Meghalaya

To commemorate auspicious occasion of International Year of Millets 2023, the College of Community Science, Tura, Meghalya in collaboration with ICAR-IIMR, Hyderabad and NABARD organized Millets Mela-2023 on 21 March 2022 at Tura, Meghalaya. The objective was educating students, farmers and consumers about the benefits associated with millets and to showcase the diversity of millets, value added products and their potential for sustainable agriculture. The Millets Mela-2023 was inaugurated by the chief guest Mr. Swapnil Tembe, IAS, Deputy Commissioner of West Garo hills district, Meghalaya in the presence of Mr. Prabu Dutta Sahoo, General Manager, NABARD, Meghalya, Mr. Mayank Dwivedi Commandant, Boarder Security Force, Dr. Jyoti Vastrad, Dean, College of Community Science, Tura. It was also attended by the faculty, farmers, entrepreneurs and students. On this occasion, various stalls displayed different types of germplasm of millets, millet based traditional foods, delicious products and beverages. More than 120 farmers from various villages, students from various schools of West Garo hills districts participated in the program. The Millets Mela was jointly organized by Dr. H Kenchareddi Assistant Professor CAU, Imphal and Dr. Sangappa, Scientist, ICAR-IIMR, Hyderabad.

# Training on 'Improved millets production and processing technologies'

A training programme on 'Improved millets production and processing technologies' was organized at ICAR-IIMR from 28 February to 1 March, 2023. A total of 46 participants including Agricultural officers, Agricultural Assistants, Field Assistants and tribal farmers from Attapadi, Kerala took part in the training. The participants were given exposure on various aspects of millet cultivation including crop production, improvement, protection, processing and value addition. Drs. R. Chapke, K. Hariprasanna, B Gangaiah, IK Das, Avinash Singode, A. Srinivas, Shyam Prasad, AV Umakanth and KN Ganapathy delivered lectures as part of this training program. A visit to millet demonstration plot was arranged by Dr. Chapke and team. Also, exposure visit to CoE and Nutrihub was facilitated by Dr. P Hemasankari. Dr. Rajendra Chapke served as Course Director of this program and the training was coordinated by Drs. VM Malathi and A Kalaisekar.

# One-day training programme on "Production Technology of Millets and Value Addition"

One-day training programme on "Production Technology of Millets and Value Addition" was organized by Vasantrao Naik Marathwada Krishi Vidyapeeth (VNMKV), Parbhani at Walkechiwadi village in Nanded district on 23 March, 2023, in coordination with ICAR-IIMR, Hyderabad for tribal people under Tribal Sub Project. Dr. Indra Mani, Hon. Vice Chancellor, VNMKV, Parbhani was the president, and Dr. DB Deosarkar, Director of Extension Education, VNMKV, Parbhani and Dr. GK Londhe, Deputy Director of Research, VNMKV, Parbhani were the chief guests. Sh. DN Gaikwad, Tahsildar, Himayatnagar and Sh. DV Jadhav, Taluka Krishi Adhikari, Himayatnagar also participated in the programme. At outset, Dr. Indra Mani, VC, inaugurated the exhibition of machineries and implements distributed to the villagers under Tribal Sub-Project. In his address, he advised to the farmers to take the advantage of latest implements and equipment and become Agricultural Entrepreneurs and market the agriculture produce for better market



price. He urged the State Agriculture Department, State Revenue Department and Local Bodies to involve in the farmers up-liftment activities. He advised to grow Kharif biofortified sorghum variety Parbhani Shakti in coming Kharif season and elaborated the importance of the millets in diet and International Year of the Millet-2023.

Director of Extension Education Dr. DB Deovsarkar advised the people to adopt the improved technologies in crop production to reduce the cost of cultivation and to get higher yields. Dr. RB Kshirsagar, Associate Dean and Principal College of Food Technology, VNMKV, Parbhani elaborated the health benefits of millets and various value added products prepared from Sorghum and Bajra. Drs. LN Jawale, Mohd. Ilyas, KD

Navgire and Mrs. PO Bhutada also delivered lectures on various aspects of Sorghum Production Technology. During this occasion, one folder entitled "Improved Cultivation Practices of Sorghum" was released on this occasion.

## Exposure cum Training programme for Odisha farmers

ICAR-IIMR, Hyderabad conducted a Three-day "Hands-on training cum exposure visit to Odisha farmers" during 27-29



March, 2023. A group of 26 farmers attended this program. The three-day program explained about the production technologies, major disease, pests and their management, FPOs and their role in millet promotion, nutritional and health benefits of millets, recent development in business opportunities with millets. The trainees also visited the millet processing and Incubation Centre of PJTSAU, Hyderabad, millets processing and value added technology facilities at Nutrihub, IIMR. This program was organized by the FPO unit of IIMR-Hyderabad with the coordination of Dr. Sangappa and Sh. K Srinivasa Babu.

### State level millet conclave, 2023

The NABARD organized "State Level Millet Conclave" at NAARM, Hyderabad on 10 March, 2023. Esteemed dignitaries, Dr. C Tara Satyavathi, Director of ICAR-IIMR, Dr. Venkata Ramana, Director of Research, PJTSAU, Dr. V Praveen Rao, For-



mer Vice-Chancellor of PJTSAU, and Dr. Ch Srinivasa Rao Director of ICAR-NAARM addressed the event. Sh. Srinivasa Babu, from ICAR-IIMR, delivered a lecture on the role of FPOs in the millet value chain. As a part of the event, Millet Exhibition stalls were setup and ICAR-IIMR sponsored FPO teams from Hulsoor Mahila Kisan Millets FPCL, Karnataka and Lambasingi Tribal Products Farmers Producer Company limited, Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh and showcased their millet value added. More than 200 participants visited exhibition stall and appreciated efforts made by FPOs.

## Meeting of Official Language Implementation Committee

The 64th meeting of the Official Language Implementation Com-

mittee (OLIC) of the Indian Institute of Millets (Sri Anna) Research, Hyderabad was organized on March 27, 2023. At the



outset of the meeting, Dr. Jinu Jacob welcomed the newly appointed Director of IIMR, Hyderabad and Chairperson of OLIC, Dr. (Mrs.) C. Tara Satyavati with a bouquet made of all millets (Sri Anna). The meeting began with a formal welcome address by Dr. (Mrs.) C. Tara Satyavathi, Chairperson of OLIC. The other members Dr. Jinu Jacob, OIC, Hindi Cell, Dr. Madhusudan, OIC, PME Cell; Dr. Venkatesh Bhat, OIC, Technical & Medial Cell and OIC, Computer & Website; Dr. Soogana, OIC, Library, Smt. Ritu Dalal, SAO, Shri. A Narasimha Murthy, SFAO and Member Secretary, Dr. Mahesh Kumar, ACTO (OL) were present during the discussion. During the meeting various issues presented by the Member Secretary were discussed and decided that keeping in view the "International Shri Anna (Millet) year 2023", basic material related to all small millets (Sree Anna) should be made available in Hindi as soon as possible. It was decided to issue an order to ensure trilingualism/bilingualism in boards, banners, posters etc. to be prepared for the institute. Apart from this, assurance was also given that the Hindi section would be provided with the required facilities. The meeting concluded with vote of thanks by Dr. Mahesh Kumar.

#### **Visitors**

**Dr. PL Gautham**, Chairperson, Protection of Plant Varieties & Farmers' Right Authority, Ministry of Agriculture and former



Deputy Director General (Crop Sciences), ICAR, visited ICAR-Indian Institute of Millets Research on 13 March, 2023. Dr. Tara Satyavathi, Director, IIMR explained him about the institute's current activities including the research achievements, innovations, and entrepreneur developmental plans at IIMR. He also visited "Centre of Excellence" value addition and food Technology Park, Nutrihub facilities. Dr. Gautham was very much impressed about the developmental activities at IIMR both in scientific, commercialization and popularization fronts.

Mr. Pallava Bagla, Senior Science Journalist visited ICAR-IIMR-Hyderabad on 16 March 2023. He was briefed about the activities of IIMR by In-Charge Director, Dr. CV Ratnavathi. He was taken around Millet processing and value addition facilities and the startup business incubator Nutrihub. He further visited Gene-Bank and witnessed the diversity of millet germplasm that was explained by Dr. M Elangovan. The visit was coordinated by Drs. B Venkatesh Bhat and K Venkatesh, IIMR.

#### **Students from Tamil Nadu**

A total of 118 III B.Sc .(Hons) Agri. students and six staff members of Kumaraguru institute of Agriculture, Erode, Tamil Nadu



visited IIMR on 03 March, 2023 as an activity of their all India study tour programme. The students were exposed to the organizational structure, functions and mandate of the institute. Dr. Deepika gave an introductory session on millets overview and their health benefits. Dr. Swarna explained the production practices of millets. Dr. Elangovan and Dr. Venkatesh detailed the various activities of gene bank and the importance of millets germplasm and its utility. Further, field visit was organized to have practical exposure on identification of all millet crops. The entire visit was coordinated by Drs. R Swarna, C Deepika, M Elangovan and K Venkatesh.

#### **Farmers from Uttar Pradesh**

ICAR-IIMR, Hyderabad organized "CAT Exposure visit to farmers of Uttar Pradesh during 13-15 March, 2023. A total of 16 farmers from Pragya Gramotthan Sewa Samiti (UP) received hands on training at ICAR-IIMR. During this program various



lectures on the importance of millets, health benefits, production technologies, business opportunities and role of FPOs in millet promotion, millet value addition and processing were delivered to participants. The trainees also visited millet processing and incubation center of PJTSAU to learn the importance of value addition of millets. The program was arranged by FPO unit of ICAR-IIMR.

#### DAESI Trainees from Karnataka (Photo Sangappa)

A group of 40 DAESI (Diploma in Agricultural Extension Services for Input Dealers) program trainees from Raichur, Karnataka visited ICAR-IIMR, Hyderabad on 9 March, 2023. During this visit, Dr. Sangappa briefed them about "Overview of the



health benefits, value addition, and business opportunities in millets". The trainees also visited millet demonstration plots and millet processing and value-added technology facilities at IIMR.

## Superannuation

Mr. M. Narasihma, Skilled Supportive Staff superannuated on 31 March, 2023. He served this institute nearly 30 years in vari-



ous capacities. Staff Recreation Club organized a farewell to him. Dr. Tara Satyavathi, Director, IIMR felicitated him with a shawl and presented a token memento. The staff of IIMR recollected his services and wished him a healthy and happy life ahead.

### **Invited lectures**

An invited online talk on "Millets-A solution for climate change and nutritional challenges" was delivered by **Dr. P. Rajendra-kumar**, on 29 March 2023 to create awareness on millets among the staff and students at the Motilal Nehru Government Polytechnic, Puducherry in the International Year of Millets. Basic information on millets and its cultivation, nutritional and health benefits, climate resilience of millets, processing and value-addition, start-ups and business incubation were explained to the audience.

**Dr. VM Malathi** delivered a lecture on 'Nutritional values and evidence-based health benefits of millets' on 25 March,2023 as part of the training workshop on 'Nutritional and Health benefits of Millets' held at Jaipur organized by MS Regional Ayurveda Research Institute, Ministry of AYUSH, Government of India. About 100 participants comprising the Ayurveda Medical Officers working under the Government of Rajasthan participated in the training workshop. She also delivered a lecture on' 'Millets as sustainable source of nutrition and its R & D prospects' on 28 March, 2023 as part of the National Conference:

'Recent trends in Biological Chemistry' organized by the Department of Biochemistry, CMS College of Science and Commerce, Coimbatore.

**Dr. Hariprasanna K**, delivered a lead lecture on "Small millets in India: Present status & Crop improvement efforts" at the National conference on Production, Processing and Marketing of Millets: Issues & Solutions, held at JNKVV, Jabalpur during1-2 March 2023.

### Dr. Jinu Jacob delivered following lectures:

- On 'Getting to know millet: Nutritional properties and entrepreneurial prospects' in a one-day workshop organized by KVK, Palakkad, Kerala in collaboration with NABARD on 'Millets: Cultivation and entrepreneurial prospects in Kerala' on 18 March, 2023. The talk covered introduction to the different types of millets, nutritional and agronomic properties and entrepreneurial prospects of millets in Kerala. Around 120 farmers and a few students attended the programme.
- On 'Millets: Sustainable crops for food and nutritional security' at the department of life science, school of Earth, Biological and Environmental Science, Central University of South Bihar, Gaya, on 29 March, 2023. Around 80 participants attended the programme including faculty members and students.
- On 'Nutritional status and Health benefits of Millets' at a twoday mass awareness program in hybrid mode on biodiversity of millets and their nutritional importance and role in creating a disease-free society on 31 March, 2023 2023 as part of the celebration of the international year of millets by Loyola Institute of Frontier Energy (LIFE), Loyola College, Chennai.

### Dr. Swarna Ronanki delivered following lectures:

- On "Improved Production Practices in Millets" to Kerala women entrepreneurs on 2 March, 2023 under the training programme 'millets value addition and processing' held at Nutrihub, ICAR-IIMR.
- On "Millet processing machinery and opportunities for a startup" to tribal youth on 14 March, 2023 under the training programme "importance of millets and POP" organized by KVK Mamnoor.
- On "Improved package of practices for Millets cultivation" to

- agriculture officers from Assam Govt. on 17 March 2023 under the training programme "Latest millets production and processing technologies" held at ICAR- IIMR
- On Latest millet production technologies to Gujarat farmers on 22 March 2023 under the under the training programme "Hands- on training on value addition of millet crops" held at ICAR- IIMR.
- On "Latest millet production technologies to Orissa farmers" on 27 March 2023 under the under the training programme "Exposure visit to ICAR-IIMR, Hyderabad" held at ICAR-IIMR
- On "Prospects of millets" to B. Sc (Ag) students on 31 March 2023 as a part of International year of millets celebrations organized by College of Agriculture, Parul University, Vadodara, Gujarat.

#### **Resource persons**

A national webinar on 'Millets to combat climate and nutritional challenges' to commemorate the International Year of Millets-2023 was organized virtually by the PG Department of Commerce in association with Entrepreneurship development club, Bharata Matha College of Commerce and Art, Aluva, Kerala on 20 March, 2023 for the faculty and management staff of the college. Drs. Jinu Jacob and VM Malathi from IIMR were the resource persons. Dr. Jinu Jacob delivered talk on 'Getting to know millets and their entrepreneurial prospects' which included the description of widely cultivated millets, research activities at IIMR, processing and value-addition of millets, IIMR-TBI-Nutrihub and its related activities and about IYOM-2023. Dr. VM Malathi delivered lecture on Millets: Nutritional value and health benefits. She described the nutritional composition of different types of millets, the role of each component in imparting health benefits and how regular consumption of millets can help to prevent the incidences of life-style associated diseases and the traditional and contemporary millet-based foods.

**Dr. Swarna Ronanki** was invited as a chief guest for District level neighbourhood youth parliament programme organized by Nehru Yuva Kendra, Ranga Reddy district, Telangana, Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Govt. of India on 13 March, 2023. The programme was held at Hyderabad Institute of technology and management, Medchal, Telangana and more than 100 youth participated from different educational institutions and youth clubs. She delivered a special talk on "Millets – Overview & Business opportunities for Youth of India"

The following Memorandum of Agreement / Understanding were also made through ITMU, ICAR-IIMR, signed at ICAR-IIMR during the March 2023. Dr. C Tara Satyavathi, Director – IIMR on behalf of IIMR signed the agreement. The details are as follows:

Date of	Second Party/	Purpose of Signatory Authority		Witnessed by
Agreement	Licensee	MoA/ MoU	Second party	
02 March, 2023	YSR Horticul- ture Univer- sity, Venkata- ramannagude m, Tadepal- ligudem, Andhra Pradesh	Student research programs	Dr. B Srinivasulu, Registrar	Dr. K Dhanumjaya Rao, Director of Industries &International Programs



## Online Meetings (M) / Workshops (W)/ Trainings (T) Conferences (C) attended

S. No.	Name of Employee	Programme details	Type	Organized by	Dates
1	Amasiddha Bellundagi	Training programme on "Competency enhancement program for effective implementation of training functions by HRD nodal officers of ICAR.	Т	ICAR-NAARM, Hyderabad.	27 Feb., to 1 March., 2023
2	C Tara Satyavathi, B Dayakar Rao, P Sanjana Reddy A Srinivas & Mahesh Kumar	Rajasthan Millet Conclave 2023 jointly organized by Rajasthan State Agricultural Marketing Board and Nutrihub, ICAR-IIMR, Hyderabad	С	SIAM, Jaipur	13-14 March, 2023
3	KBRS Visarada, C Aruna M Elangovan, IK Das, Hariprasanna K, Amasiddha B, Avinash Singode, Venkatesh K.	Mega Sorghum Germplasm Filed Day	F	ARS, Washim, Maharashtra	13-14 March, 2023
4	C Tara Satyavathi, CV Ratnavathi, KBRS Visarada, B Dayakar Rao, C Aruna, B Venkatesh Bhat, RR Chapke, B Gangaiah, AV Umakanth, Nepolean T, Hariprasanna K, D Balakrishna, P Rajendra Kumar, KN Ganapathy, B Amasiddha and V Ravi Kumar.	Global Millets (Shree Anna) Conference, New Delhi.	С	NASC Complex, IARI Campus, PUSA New Delhi	18-19 March., 2023













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