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Though India's food grain production has got more than doubled over the decades to a record 264 million tonnes in 2014, there is hardly any measurable improvement in the livelihood of millions of poor and marginal farmers. Basic infrastructure like irrigation, roads, electrification, storage, access to markets and assured price for the produce etc. on a long way makes the farming more sustainable. Use of improved seed of high yielding varieties and hybrids and high yielding varieties coupled with allied farming activities, such as dairy, poultry, fishing and skill improvement of farm families will increase incomes and margins. This in turn will lead to more rural employment, curbing migration and subscribing to inclusive growth holistically.



The Union Budget for 2015-16 takes cognisance of all these concerns of increasing agricultural productivity and bettering the lives of poor farmers with a lasting goal of retaining the farmer in farming. Important budgetary provisions towards achieving this will positively impact agriculture:

1. Soil Health: Soil health is one of the factors for sustainable agriculture production, and will help in better nutrient management. In order to improve soil health, irrigation for each farm is possible only through the involvement of innovative micro-irrigation techniques knowing the scope and limitation of irrigation potential. Around 5300 crore rupees have been allotted to support micro-irrigation, watershed development and the "Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana".
2. Farm Credit: The focus on farm credit continues to be a priority of the government. A target to achieve Rs 8.5 lakh crore for the farm credit through bank network will provide much needed credit to the farming community.
3. Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF): Investment in infrastructure will go up by 700 billion rupees in 2015-16, over the last year. Around 25,000 crore rupees to be invested in 2015-16 to the corpus of Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF) set up in NABARD.
4. National Agriculture Market: This is the policy reform which is very much desired in the agriculture market. There is increase in domestic trade and interstate movement of agriculture produce. It will have far reaching consequence in developing the agriculture market trade, level of intermediation, price stability and better realisation for the farmers.

A. R. Pathak

CELEBRATION

Tenth Annual Convocation



Presidential Address by Hon'ble Governorshri of Gujarat and Hon'ble Chancellor Shri O.P. Kohli at Tenth Annual Convocation

Tenth Annual Convocation

The Tenth Annual Convocation of Junagadh Agricultural University was presided over by Hon'ble Governorshri of Gujarat and Hon'ble Chancellor Shri O.P. Kohli at Junagadh on January 20, 2015. Dr. A. R. Pathak, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, welcomes the dignitaries and highlighted the activities of education and research. Dr. Arvind Kumar, Deputy Director General (Education), ICAR, New Delhi, was the chief guest who delivered convocation address. Shri Jashabhai Barad, Hon'ble Minister (State Level), Agriculture and Civil Aviation, Government of Gujarat was the Guest of Honour. A total of 330 students, among them 180 Graduate, 136 Master and 14 Doctoral were conferred on the degrees by Hon'ble Chancellor of the University, Shri O.P. Kohli. He also awarded Seven Gold Medals, 35 Gold Plated Silver Medals and two Cash Prizes to the students for their outstanding performance at Under Graduate and Post Graduate level.



Dr. A. R. Pathak, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Delivering welcome address at Tenth Annual Convocation



Shri O.P. Kohli, Hon'ble Chancellor awarding gold plated silver medals to the students

National Seminar on Water Management and Climate Smart Agriculture

A National Seminar on Water Management and Climate Smart Agriculture was organized by the Office of the

Research Scientist (Agril. Engg.) during February 13-14, 2015. The seminar was inaugurated by Shri Mohanbhai K. Kundariya, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Agriculture, Govt of India, New Delhi, in the auspicious presence of Shri Jasabhai Barad, Hon'ble Minister of Agriculture (State), Govt. of Gujarat, Dr. A. R. Pathak, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, JAU, Junagadh and Dr. A. Y. Desai, Director of Research, JAU, Junagadh. Total of 190 scientists and 50 progressive farmers attended the seminar. 130 Research Papers were presented in 5 concurrent technical sessions on the themes like Vulnerability of Agriculture to Climatic Aberrations, Climate Change assessment & Impact on Hydrological Modeling and Water Cycle, Susceptibility of Surface, Ground and River Water to Climate Variability and Geo-Informatics, Adaption and Mitigation Strategies for Climatic Resilient Water Management and Agriculture and One session whose kept only for farmers community.



Inauguration of National Seminar on Water management and Climate Smart Agriculture

AGRICULTURAL SEMINAR & EXHIBITION



Inauguration of Seminar under Krishi Vikas Varsha

A seminar on "Amba and Telibiya pakoni Vaigyanik Kheti" was organized at JAU, Junagadh on January 22, 2015 as a part of celebration of Krishi Vikas Varsha 2014-15. The seminar was inaugurated by Shri Babubhai Bokhiria, Hon'ble Minister of Agriculture, Government of Gujarat, Gandhinagar, in the auspicious presence of Shri Jasabhai Barad, Hon'ble Minister of Agriculture (State), Government of Gujarat, Gandhinagar; Dr. A. R. Pathak, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, JAU, Junagadh; Dr. A. Y. Desai, DR, JAU, Junagadh; Dr. A. M. Parakhia, DEE, JAU, Junagadh; and Dr. A. V. Barad, Principal, CoA, Junagadh. Shri Babubhai Bokhiria, Hon'ble Minister of Agriculture, addressed and motivated the farmers and appealed to take the benefit of this seminar to produce good quality mango and also the seed of oilseeds. A large number of farmers and farm women participated in this seminar. The expert scientists delivered the lectures relevant to the seminar followed by elaborative discussion on the question raised by the farmers.

An exhibition on various improved technologies on agriculture and allied disciplines was organized at JAU, Junagadh on January 23, 2015 as a part of celebration of Krishi Vikas Varsha 2014-15. The exhibition was inaugurated by Shri Jaydrathsinh Parmar, Hon'ble state level minister of

road and building by lighting the lamp, in the auspicious presence of Shri Jethabhai Solanki, Dr.A.R.Pathak, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Dr.A.Y.Desai, DR and Dr.A.M.Parkhiya, DEE , JAU,Junagadh.



LOKARPAN



Lokarpan of Educational Animal Husbandary Sankul

Lokarpan of building facilities viz., Teaching Veterinary Clinical Complex and Polytechnic in Horticulture, created at JAU, Junagadh was done by Shri BabubhaiBokhiria, Hon'ble Minister of Agriculture, Government of Gujarat, Gandhinagar on January 22, 2015, in the auspicious presence of Shri Jasabhai Barad, Hon'ble Minister of Agriculture (State), Government of Gujarat, Gandhinagar, Dr. A. R. Pathak, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, JAU, Junagadh and Dr. A. M. Parakhia, Director of Extension Education, JAU, Junagadh.



Lokarpan of Polytechnic in Horticulture Building

Farmer Awareness Programme

In order to aware the farmers about climate change and its impact on the agricultural crops and its management, the farmer awareness programme on "Weather based crop production and importance of weather forecasting in

agriculture" was conducted by the Department of Agronomy under the Gramin Krushi Mausam Sewa (GKMS) Project at JAU, Junagadh on January 23, 2015. It was inaugurated by Shri Jaydrathsinh Parmar, Hon'ble state level minister of road and building by lighting the lamp along with Shri Jethabhai Solanki, Dr.A.R.Pathak, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Dr.A.Y.Desai, DR and Dr. A. M. Parkhia, DEE , JAU, Junagadh. Total three hundred seventy farmers (250 Men+120 Women) participated in the programme.



Inaugurating Farmer Awareness Programme

Technology and Machinery Demonstration Fair

Technology and Machinery Demonstration Fair was organized by the College of Agricultural Engineering and Technology, JAU, Junagadh on Mrch 23, 2015 at CAET, JAU, Junagadh. The fair was inaugurated by Shri Vinubhai Hapani, Chairman, APMC, Junagadh in the auspicious presence of Dr. A. R. Pathak, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, JAU, Junagadh. Dr. A. Y. Desai, DR; Dr. A. M. Parakhia, DEE, Dr. N. K. Gontiya, Principal, CAET; Shri Dineshbhai Khanpara, President GAMA, Rajkot; and Shri Hasmukhbhai Gohil, Manufacturer, Tirth Agro, Rajkot were also present on this occasion. A large number of farmers of Saurashtra region participated and visited the different stalls demonstrated by various manufactures of Gujarat on Technology and Machinery developed for the farmers of Gujarat. All the dignitaries on the dais addressed the august gathering at this occasion and motivated the farmers to get the benefit of this fair.



Technology and Machinery Demonstration Fair

Animal Fair and Calf rally

A calf rally (Pashu-Mela) was organized by Cattle Breeding Farm, JAU, at village Loej, (Taluka Mangrol, Junagadh) on January 31, 2015 under the KrushiVikashVarsh (2014-15) programme of Government of Gujarat. Dr. A.R. Pathak, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, presided over the function and inaugurated the calf rally by lighting the lamp. Mr. BaldevSinhVaghela, DySP, Mangrol remained present as Chief Guest of the function.

Dharmkishor Swamiji of the Swaminarayan Temple, Loej blessed the occasion. Dr. A.R. Pathak, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, in his presidential address, narrated importance of animal production, especially cattle and buffalo in the region and the state, and role of the University in upliftment of livestock owners. A total of 25 Gir cows and 25 Jaffrabadi buffaloes with their calves from different villages under the project area from distant places participated in the calf rally. Around 450 livestock farmers participated in the farmers' seminar. In order to provide an incentive to animal keepers, a kit comprising of 50 kg concentrate, 1 kg mineral mixture, calcium supplement, de-wormer and unbreakable plastic bowl were distributed to livestock owners who participated in the calf rally.



Inauguration of Animal Fair and Calf rally at Loej

Kisan Goshti

Kisan Goshti was organized by the Centre of Excellence on Soil and Water Management on "Bhambhara Pani Temaj Kharash vali Jamin manthi Vadhu Pak Utpadan Melavavani Rananiti" at Fruit Research Station (Amrut Bag), JAU, Mangarol on January 28, 2015. The Goshti was inaugurated by R. Subbaiah, Research Scientist (Soil and Water Management). The expert scientists from JAU, Junagadh addressed the farmers on this occasion on various issues of soil health related problems and its management. Around 100 farmers participated in the programme and benefitted.



Kisan Goshti at Fruit Research Station, Mangarol

MEETING

DUS Review Meeting

The 9th DUS Review Meeting of Protection of Plant Varieties and Farmers' Rights, Govt. of India, New Delhi was held at Junagadh Agricultural University, Junagadh on March 9-10, 2015. The meeting was presided over by Dr. A.R. Pathak, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, JAU, Junagadh. The other dignitaries who attended the meeting include Dr.

N.K.Krishna Kumar, DDG (Horti.), ICAR, New Delhi, Dr. J.S.Chauhan, ADG(Seeds), ICAR, Dr. R.R. Hanchinal, Chairperson, PPV & FRA, New Delhi, Dr.C.J.Dangaria, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, NAU, Navsari, Dr. P.M.Shalimath, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, UAS, Raichur, Dr. S.A.Patil, Former Director, IARI, Dr. K.E.Lawande, Former Vice Chancellor, BSKKV and Dr. R.C.Agrawal, Registrar, PPV & FRA, New Delhi. Over 85 scientists from various DUS testing centres of the country participated in the review meeting.



Inauguration of DUS Review Meeting

22nd ZREAC Meeting



ZREAC Meeting

The 22nd ZREAC (Kharif) meeting of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone was held in the seminar hall of CAET, JAU, Junagadh on January 7-8, 2015. Dr. A. Y. Desai, Chairman of the inaugural function and Director of Research, JAU, Junagadh, Deans of various faculties, University Offices, Officers of Line Department and all the members were present in the meeting. In this meeting, two varieties Gujarat Junagadh Sponge Gourd2 (GJSG2) and Gujarat Junagadh Okra Hybrid4 (GJOH4), 23 recommendations for farmers, 15 recommendations for scientific community and 44 new technical programmes were approved for kharif season of South Saurashtra Region after healthy discussion by the scientists. Dr. A. Y. Desai, DR, presented the concluding remarks and also conveyed the message of Dr. A. R. Pathak, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, JAU, to the house. He heartily expressed his feelings for success of 22nd kharif ZREAC meeting.

JOINT AGRESCO MEETING

Eleventh joint AGRESCO meeting was held at JAU, Junagadh on March 24, 2015 under the Chairmanship of Dr. A. R. Pathak, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, JAU, Junagadh. Dr. T. Radhakrishnan, Director, DGR; Dr. A. Y. Desai, DR; Dr. A.M. Parakhia, DEE, Dr. I. U. Dhruj, ADR; Joint Director of Agriculture, Junagadh; other university officers, Deans of various faculties, Conveners of various AGRESCO sub-committees of JAU, Professor/Research Scientists/ Teacher

of the university, Officers from line department were present in the meeting. In an inaugural speech, Chairman & Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Dr. A. R. Pathak, congratulated the scientists on their valuable contribution towards the research recommendations and formulation of new technical programmes. In this meeting, eight varieties viz., Gram (GJG6), Brinjal (GJB 4 & GJBH 3), Onion (GJWO 2 & GJRO 11), Sponge Gourd (GJSG 2), Okra (GJOH 4) and Sesame (GJT 5), 53 technological recommendations for farmers and 24 recommendations for scientific community were approved along with total 66 new technical programmes of various faculties for research during next year.



Combined Joint AGRESCO Meeting

EXTENSION COUNCIL MEETING

Ninth meet of Extension Council of JAU was held on February 24, 2015 at JAU, Junagadh under chairmanship of Dr A. R. Pathak, Hon'ble Vice chancellor, JAU.



Extension Council met

TRAINING

JAU-GSFC Collaborative Training



Extension Council met

Training Programme on Technology of Agricultural & Animal Husbandry was organized by Directorate of Extension Education, JAU, Junagadh in collaboration with GSFC (Vadodara) at SSK, JAU Junagadh for the Yuva Farmers of Saurashtra during January 1-3, 2015. Total 37 farmers participated in training programme. The training programme was inaugurated by Dr.A.M. Parakhia, Director of Extension Education, JAU Junagadh in auspicious presence of Dr. C.J.Dangariya, Director of Research, JAU Junagadh, Dr. A.V. Barad, Principal & Dean, College of

Agriculture, Dr. N.K. Gontia, Principal & Dean, CAET and Dr. P.H. Tank, Principal & Dean, College of Veterinary Science & A.H., JAU, Junagadh.

Training on Life Skills and Personality Development

Three days' Training Programme on "Life Skills & Personality Development" was conducted during March 16-18, 2015 for the P.G. Students of Department of Biotechnology, wherein 54 PG students of the department participated. During the training programme students learned various aspects of Life skills for Personality Development which will be useful for the holistic development of personality of the participants. The training programme was inaugurated by Dr. A. M. Parakhia, DEE. The participants were awarded with the certificates along with group photo at the end of this training.



Inauguration of Seminar on Life Skills and Personality Development

Training on Seed Production and Distribution of Kits to ST Farmers



Kit Distribution to Scheduled Tribe Farmers

Training on "Seed Production in the Field Crops" was organized by the Department of Seed Science and Technology, JAU, Junagadh under TSP Scheme at Kalimbhada village (Ta: MaliaHatina) of Junagadh district on March 17, 2015. Total of 213 Schedule Tribe farmers from 55 different villages participated and as per the objectives of the TSP Scheme, one Knapsack Sprayer Pump and a set of 4 agricultural equipments (Sickle, Pavado, Panjeti and Tabadaku) were distributed to all the farmers at free of cost. Dr I. U. Dhruj, Associate Director of Research, JAU, Junagadh was present on this occasion and shared his views with the farmers. Dr J. B. Patel, Shri K. H. Ribadia and Shri R. R. Rathod, addressed the farmers on seed production technologies and scientific farming of field crops.

Training on Brackish water Shrimp Farming Management

Seven days training was conducted on "Brackish water Shrimp Farming Management" from February 24 to

March, 3, 2015 at FRS, Mahuva. Total 40 participants from different districts like Bhavnagar, Gir-Somnath, Anand and Amreli district actively participated in this training programme. Total 28 lectures were delivered by the subject experts of CMFRI Scientist, MPEDA Deputy Director and other faculty members from Fisheries College, Veraval, Fisheries Research Station, Sikka and Fisheries Department, Junagadh and Jafrabad.



Training on Brackish water Shrimp Farming Management

Training on 'Study Skills and Mind Mapping



Inauguration of training on "Study Skills & Mind Mapping"

A one day training on 'Study Skills and Mind Mapping' was organized for students of Polytechnic in Animal Husbandry, at CoVSc&AH, Junagadh on March 28, 2015. The training was conducted by JJ Wing of JCI Junagadh Mahila as a part of NSS activity. The training was interesting and informative for the students on management of study resources and stress during examination period. In his inaugural address, Dr. P.V.Patel, DSW, JAU emphasized on the importance of the regular training for the staff and students for their overall development. Dr. P.H Tank, Principal and Dean, CoVS&AH, Junagadh appealed staff and the students to think beyond their horizons and to play an integral part in social development. Fifty students and five faculty members participated in the event.

SPECIAL PROGRAMMES Swachhha Bharat Mission

Mass cleaning activities under Swachhha Bharat Mission (SBM) was conducted by the NSS volunteers/ Students and employee of the JAU, Junagadh on January 30, 2015, the Martyrdom Day of Mahatma Gandhi. About 220 NSS volunteers/ students voluntarily joined in this task and carried out the cleaning activity of different location viz, college/ hostel premises, sports complex, roads and surrounding area of the various departments. Dr. A. R. Pathak, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor interestingly also took part in this event and also observed the cleaning activities at different locations of the JAU campus.



Swachhata Abhiyan

Special veterinary clinical camps



Inauguration of animal health camp at JAU

A special Veterinary Clinical Camp was organized in connection with the celebration of "KrushiviVikasVarsh 2014-15", by College of Veterinary Science & Animal Husbandry, JAU, Junagadh in collaboration with Belgrave Neighbour Hood Centre, Leicester, UK on January 2, 2015 at College of Veterinary Science & A.H., JAU, Junagadh. Dr. A. M. Parakhia, DEE, inaugurated the animal health camp. Dr. M.G. Maradia, Retd., Zoo Superintendent and Miss AashabenNathvani, BNHC, Leicester, UK had graced the function. Similarly another special Veterinary Clinical Camp was organized by the College of Veterinary Science & Animal Husbandry, JAU, Junagadh in collaboration with Department of Animal Husbandry, District Panchayat, Jamnagar and Shree Bhanvad Mahajan Pajarapol, Bhanvad on January 11, 2015. Third camp was organized by this College in collaboration with Polytechnic in Agriculture, Dhari, Amreli on February 4, 2015 at Sukhpur village, Dhari. In these three camps, total of 628 animal owners were the direct beneficiaries.



Inauguration of animal health camp at JAU

Pak Utpadan Saptah

Wheat Research Station and Chickpea Research Station, JAU, Junagadh jointly organize "Wheat-Chickpea Pak Utpadan Saptah" during February 23-24, 2015. The farmers from different talukas of Surashtra region visited and got information on wheat-chickpea cultivation practices.



Brainstorming Session



Brainstorming Session on "Establishment of cow sanctuary in Gujarat"

The Brainstorming Session on "Establishment of cow sanctuary in Gujarat" was inaugurated by Shri Babubhai Bokharia, Hon'ble Minister, Agriculture, Cooperation, Animal Husbandry, Fisheries, Cow Breeding & Water Resources (Except Kalpasar), Government of Gujarat, on February 28, 2015 at Circuit House, Gandhinagar. Overall 44 participants were registered in this Scientific Forum. Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Dr. A. R. Pathak, JAU, Junagadh delivered the key note address. He stressed the need to conserve indigenous germplasm and thereby the dairy farmers shall get the benefit of superior germplasm. Shri Babubhai Bokharia, Hon'ble Minister of Agriculture released the souvenir prepared for the occasion and the magazine of the College of Veterinary Science and A.H, JAU, Junagadh. He emphasized that the economy of our country is always Agricultural and Livestock centric and employment generating.

VISIT

Visit of Dr. K. M. L. Pathak, DDG, ICAR



Visit of Dr. K. M. L. Pathak, DDG (Anim. Sci.), ICAR, New Delhi to Cattle Breeding Farm, JAU, Junagadh

Dr. K. M. L. Pathak, Deputy Director General (Animal Sciences) ICAR, New Delhi visited the College of Veterinary Science & A.H., Junagadh on March 27, 2015. Dr. Pathak had interacted with UG, PG students and staff of this college in a friendly manner to know existing professional & educational situations. After interaction session, Dr. K. M. L. Pathak assured to make all kind of professional support from ICAR to budding Junagadh Veterinary College. He inspired staff and students of college to focus on higher education, applied research and to carry technology to farmers' doors as the professional responsibility. He also visited Cattle Breeding Farm, JAU, Junagadh on March 27, 2015. Dr. Pathak, visited all the animal sheds including milking parlour, feed plant, semen freezing laboratory and data cell as well. He praised the superior genetic resource of purebred Gir cows available with the university farm and he also expressed satisfaction health condition of the cows. He held a meeting with the scientists of the CBF and interacted on important issues like shortage of man-power in the project.

SPORTS / ADEVENTURE/NSS COMPETITIONS

Inter Collegiate and Inter Polytechnic Athletics

Eleventh Inter Collegiate and Inter Polytechnic Athletics meet 2015 was organized from February, 12-13, 2015 by the College of Agriculture, JAU, Junagadh and it was inaugurated by Mr. Dineshbhai Patel, Commissioner, Junagadh Municipal Corporation under the Chair of Dr. A. R. Pathak, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, JAU, Junagadh. Both these dignitaries encouraged the participants in their speech. The overall championship of the meet was won by the College of Agriculture, JAU, Junagadh, While in Polytechnics, Polytechnic in Agro Processing, Junagadh who declared winner in volley ball, kho-kho & Athletics (boys). Polytechnic in Horticulture won in the athletics of girls. Total 230 students participated in the meet. Chief guest of valedictory function, Dr. P. R. Godhani, Hon'ble Member Board of Management, JAU, Junagadh awarded the trophies and certificates to winner students.



Inter Collegiate and Inter Polytechnic Athletics

Celebration of International Women's Day

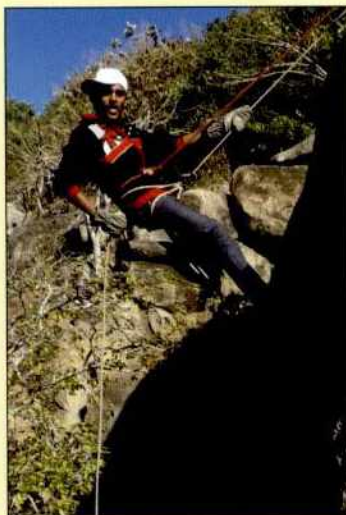


Celebration of International Women's Day at CAET

International Women's Day was celebrated on March 13, 2015 at CAET, JAU in presence of three dignified women of the society Smt. Kailasben Pathak, wife of Hon'bl Vice-Chancellor of JAU; Smt. RajashreebenGontia, wife of the Principal & Dean, CAET; and Smt. KalabenMandavia, a veteran social- worker, founder president of first Women Association in the city of Junagadh before 47 years . Out of total 60 student participants, 27 also participated in Elocution and Essay-writing Competition on "The contribution of Women in the Development of Agriculture" The programme was chaired by Dr.N.K.Gontia,Principal & Dean of CAET. The programme was coordinated and carved out by Prof.SeemaMandavia, Associate Professor (English), CAET.

ADVENTURE

Forty students from JAU participated in the Basic Course of mountaineering arranged at Pandit Dindayal Institute of Mountaineering, Junagadh, from December 31, 2014 to January 9, 2015. Dr. P. V. Patel, DSW and Dr. A. V. Barad, Principal & Dean, CoA, Junagadh attended the valedictory function of this course and motivated the participants. Twenty Nine NSS volunteers of the College of Fisheries, JAU, Veraval also participated in the similar basic course of mountaineering during January 17-26, 2015 conducted by the NSS unit of the Gujarat Vidhyapith, Ahmedabad. Dr. P. V. Patel, DSW and Dr. A. Y. Desai, Principal & Dean, College of Fisheries, JAU, Veraval visited the camp and encouraged the participants.



Adventure camp

NSS ACTIVITIES



Save Birds Campaign

•Three students of the College of Agriculture, JAU, Junagadh participated during February 1-2, 2015 in the water logged area at 'Nal Lake' as a part of the National level celebration of VishvaJalplavitDiwas organized by the Forest Department, Sanand. Students visited the sanctuary and actively joined in group discussion and brain storming

sessions of the scientists, official of the Govt. of India and Experts.

•Major Ashva (Horse) Show jointly organized during February 28-March 1, 2015 by the Department of Animal Husbandary, Gujarat State, College of Veterinary, AAU, Anand and Charotar Horse Society, Anand in which 5 teachers and 29 students participated from the College of Veterinary, JAU, Junagadh. Teacher & Students interestingly knew about various breeds, Horse's rivals like running, reval walk, breed testing and horse breeding.

•Two students of the College of Agriculture, JAU, Junagadh, Shri Malam Kuldir and PaghadarPriyank participated in the "Cycle race" arranged by Cycling Association of Junagadh and Holiday Adventure Activity Association of Bhavnath, Junagadh. In this race, Malam Kuldir secured the second position.

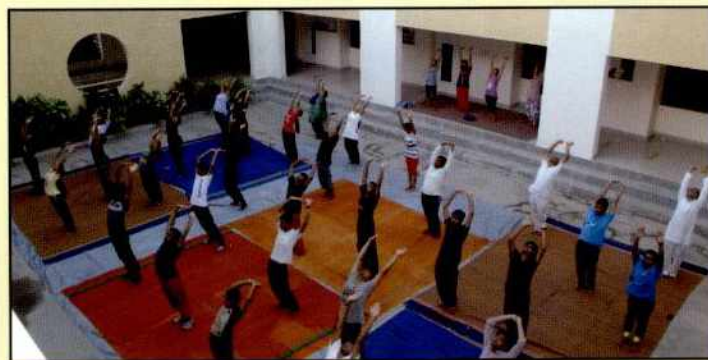
•International Women Day was celebrated by the Polytechnic in Home Science, JAU, Amreli on March 8, 2015, wherein 94 girls students participated.

•Eighty seven NSS volunteers of the Polytechnic in Agriculture, Dhari participated in the Pulse Polio Eradication campaign on February 18, 2015.

•The NSS Volunteers of the College of Veterinary Science & A. H. participated in the save birds campaign on January 11, 2015 to save birds from kite flying.

YOGA SHIBIR

Post graduate Institute of Agri-Business Management, JAU, Junagadh had organized the 5 days YogShibir from 23-27 March'2015 for the physical and mental health development of students and faculties of PGIABM.



Yoga Shibir

PHOTO SPEAKS



Farewell to Dr C. J. Dangaria, Hon'ble VC, NAU, Navsari on January 9, 2015



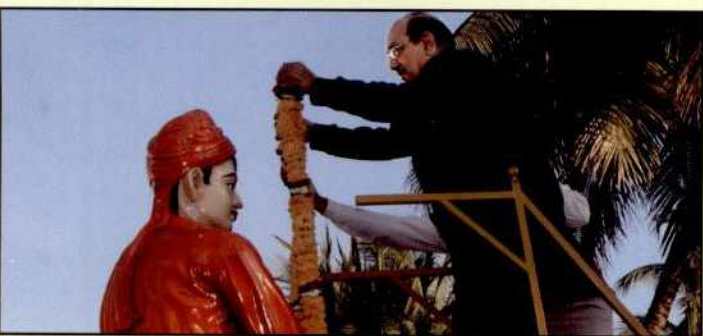
Dr. A. R. Pathak, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Meets Foreign students of JAU on January 19, 2015



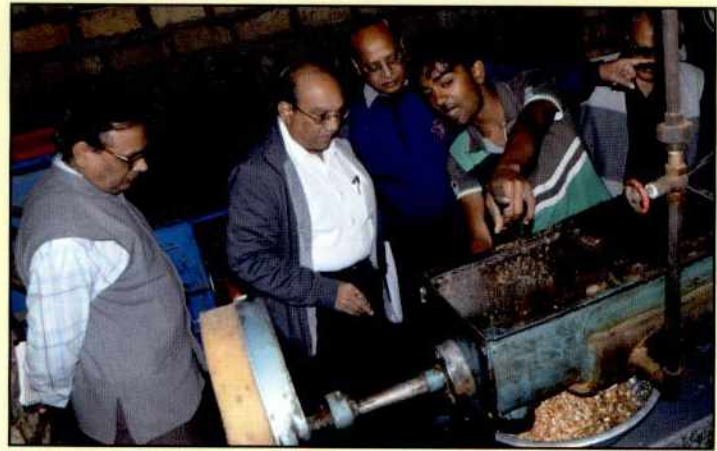
Dr. A. M. Parakhia, DEE addressing Bi-monthly Training Programme on March 11, 2015



Celebration of Republic Day on January 26, 2015



Celebration of Swami Vivekanand Jayanti on January 12, 2015



Dr. A. R. Pathak, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Visited Agro-Processing Plant at Loej on January 31, 2015



Dr. A. M. Parakhia addressing SAC Meeting at Targhadia on February 26, 2015



Monitoring team of Central Zone monitored Wheat Research Programme of JAU on February, 19, 2015



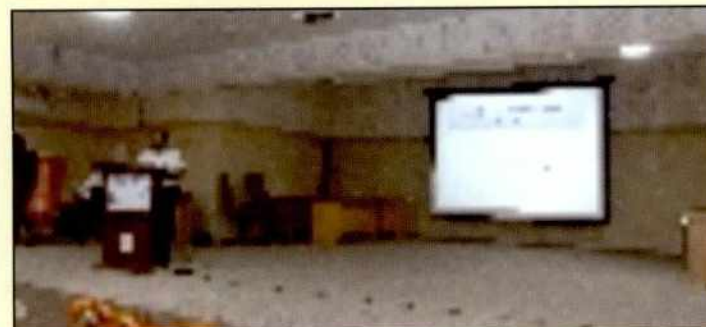
Training cum workshop on "Soabean processing & value addition to tribal youth of Dahod" at AICRP on PHT, JAU, Junagadh during March 12-14, 2015



The book Gruhasthasharmi na Samaj Dharmo "गृहस्थाधर्मो ना समाजधर्मो" (published by Punaruthan Vyaapeeth) released by by Dr AMParakhia, DEE and Pujya Yogi Swarup Dasji, BAPS at JAU, Junagadh on March 25,2015



Agriculture Exhibitionat Dhandhusar village (Dist: Junagadh) inaugurated by Shri Babubhai Bokhiri, Hon'ble Minister of Agriculture on March 28, 2015



Visit of Dr. Y. L Vyasrenowned Veterinary Anatomist of Gujarat to College of Veterinary Science & A.H., Junagadh on February 5-7, 2015

AWARD/PRIDE

KHEDUT MITRA Award



Khedut Mitra Award Ceremony

Dr. Narendra D. Bharad, Training Associate, Directorate of Extension Education, JAU, Junagadh was honoured with the KhedutMitra award during the KrishiMela at Rajkot. The krishimela was organized by a very popular

agril magazine "Khetini Vat" Dr. Bharad was honoured by Hon'ble Minister Shri Govindbhai Patel with a cash prize and memento.

Authorization of Testing of Plant Protection Equipments

Among 29 Testing Centres of Farm Machinery located across country, on the basis of Inspection Report of centre by Dy. Commissioner, Ministry of Agriculture, Government of India, New Delhi; only two centres have been authorized for testing of all types of Plant Protection Equipments. Testing & Training Centre of Farm Machinery, Department of Farm Machinery and Power, CAET, Junagadh is one of them. This is pride for CAET as well as JAU and State.



Testing Centre of Farm Machinery

Best Poster Presentation Award

Prof. Prakash Parmar, Prof. Jitesh Solanki, Miss RekhaNanjiyani and Mr. NayanKamaliya presented a poster entitled "Antibacterial activity of different seaweeds on fish pathogen" in 8th National level Science Symposium on February 22, 2015, held at Christ College, Rajkot and won second prize in best poster presentation.



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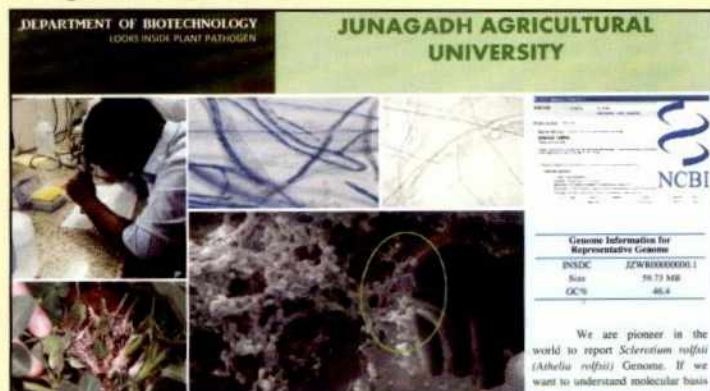
Veterinary College gets VCI recognition



The College of Veterinary Science & Animal Husbandry, Junagadh, established under JAU in 2008 has recently got recognition from Veterinary Council of India, New Delhi. Dr. P.H. Tank, Principal & Dean of Veterinary Faculty thanked Govt. of Gujarat, University authorities and Govt. of India for their valuable support and he also appreciated the efforts made by staff members to achieve this goal.

First Genome Sequencing of Sclerotium in the world

The Department of Biotechnology achieved prestigious success in genome sequencing of *Sclerotium rolfsii*, causal fungi of stem rot of groundnut and its registration at NCBI.



Human Resource Development Programmes

Scientists/teachers of JAU participating in various programmes on HRD at state/ national level. During January-March, 2015, 34 scientists in Training, 142 in Seminar/Symposium/Conference, 48 in Workshop/Group Meeting and 23 scientists participated in Visit, Monitoring, Fair etc.

Nomination

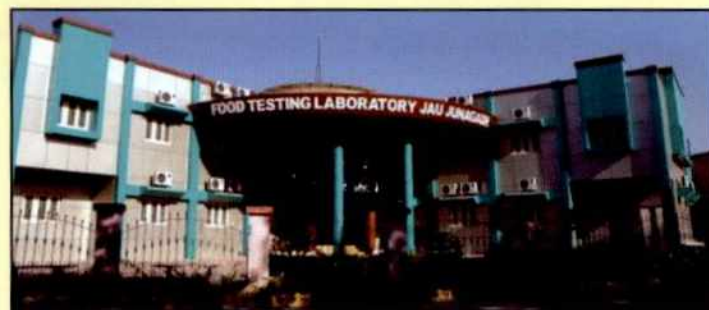
Dr. P.H. Tank, Dean, Faculty of Veterinary Sciences & A.H., JAU Junagadh got nominated as the Executive member in the Gujarat Veterinary Council, Gandhinagar for the year 2015 to 2017. Gujarat Veterinary Council is a statutory body established under the provision of Indian Veterinary Council Act 1984. The Veterinary faculty congratulated Dr. P.H. Tank on his nomination in GVC.

AGRICULTURE PILGRIMAGE

FOOD TESTING LABORATORY (NABL Accredited)

Food Testing Laboratory at Junagadh Agricultural University (JAU), Junagadh (Gujarat) is serving community by doing quality work in the fields of food quality testing. This facility is a joint venture of Junagadh Agricultural University, Junagadh, Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MFPI), ICAR (New Delhi) and Gujarat Agro Industries Corporation with Good Laboratory Practice - GLP standards and has been accredited by the National Accreditation Board for Testing Calibration Laboratories (NABL).

This laboratory is providing professional interface to public and private sectors. In a due period of time, this laboratory has become an authentic agency for Quality Control (QC)/ Quality Assurance (QA). It was established with objectives to meet food quality assay for fresh farm product, processed food, organic products, Genetically Modified (GM) foods, packed food certification, COA report for the export of farm products, detect the food adulterations, an assay of food toxins and to provide analytical backup to the research related to food and agricultural sciences. Farmers, traders, industrialists and those carrying out agriculture related activities are expected to get international level benefit from this laboratory facility which conducts tests and analysis on various parameters of all types of food items and analysis of agricultural products.



NABL Accredited Food testing laboratory



Glimpses of SSK activities

Total of 8 training programmes (7 on campus and 1 off campus) were conducted by the Sardar Smruti Kendra during January to March, 2015, wherein 355 farmers and 79 farm women participated from all over the Gujarat. Two days Agricultural Exhibition was organized at JAU, Junagadh, on March 23-24, 2015, wherein various stalls displaying agricultural information were installed by the JAU as well as some public and private organizations, in which total of 1648 farmers participated and got the agricultural information through demonstration and literature. An Agricultural Fair was also organized at Rajkot from March 1-4, 2015, wherein 170000 farmers visited the fair. In addition to that, 12 opinion leaders from Panjab, Hariyana and Himachal Pradesh visited JAU, Junagadh on March 7, 2015 Under Union Ministry of Information and Broadcasting. They visited different Department of JAU and Fields of Progressive Farmers.



Training to Women Farmers at SSK

GLIMPSES OF KVK ACTIVITIES

KVKs (Amreli, Jamnagar, Khapat, Nana Kandhasar, Pipalia, Targhadia) organized 130 training programmes, wherein 4763 farmers including farm women and 30 extension personnel participated. KVKs organized 65 diagnostic visits, 51 field visits, and 25 Kisan Goshti. Total

4280 farmers visited KVKs, whereas scientists from KVKs visited 94 farmers' fields.

SAC Meets

Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC) meeting of KVKs were organized to review the progress of KVK during 2014-15 and finalize the action plan for the year 2015-16. Dr A. R. Pathak, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Dr A. M. Parakhia, DEE, invitees and members of respective committee participated in the meeting. SAC meet was held at Khapat-Porbandar (February 23), Nana Kandhasar (February 23), Pipalia (February 26), Targhadiya (February 26), Amreli (February 24) and Jamnagar (February 21).



SAC Meeting at KVK, Amreli



Training on Protection of Plant Varieties & Farmer Right Act 2001 - at KVK Nanakandhasar [February 28]



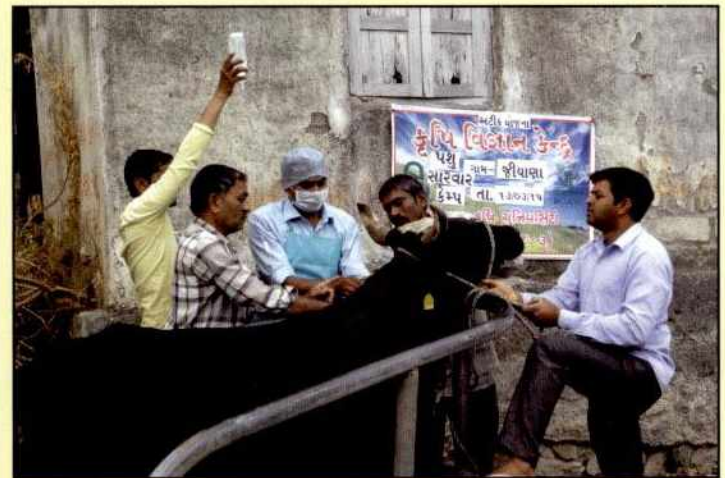
Taluka level Pasupalanshibir with Animal Dispensary-Limdi



Visit of Dr A. R. Pathak, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, JAU to KVK, Pipalia [March 02]



Treatment Camp, Vaccination camp and Training programme (Animal Husbandry) carried out by KVK-Targadia



Animal Treatment Camp conducted by KVK, Targadia

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