

Report on Celebration of World Soil Day at ICAR-IGFRI, Jhansi

5th December, 2017

ICAR-IGFRI, Jhansi celebrated World Soil Day on 5th December, 2017 at its premises with theme “Caring for the Planet starts from the Ground”. It was aimed to create awareness among community on the importance of sustainable management of soil and communicate messages on the importance of soil quality for food security, healthy ecosystems and human well-being. During this programme, more than 60 farmers from various *Mera Gaon Mera Gaurav* (MGMG) of 20 villages of UP & MP belonging to district Jhansi, Datia and Tikamgarh were present. The chief guest of this function was Shri Hargovind Kushwaha, State Rank Cabinet Minister, U.P. and Vice President, International Research Institute of Buddhist Studies, Lucknow. The farmers were distributed Soil Health Cards by the Chief Guest.



The Chief Guest in his address emphasised on importance of soil nutrients present in the soil and aware the farmers about soil health of their field through soil testing. Dr. R V Kumar, Director explained the importance of soil and Soil Health Card in respect of crop and human life. He also advised the farmers to use organic manure and micronutrients with chemical fertilizers in the field for improving the soil health in long run. Dr. J. B. Singh, Head, Crop Production Division during his welcome address emphasized on application of soil test based balance nutrition. The programme was coordinated by Dr. A.K. Dixit and Dr. Manoj Chaudhary, Nodal Officer (SHC) proposed vote of thanks.

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