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Guest Lecture

The guest lecture was arranged by department of Crop improvement for second year B.Sc. (Hons.) Agri. Students on 13.10.2022. The guest lecture was given by Dr. S.K.Ganesh, Retired Professor (PBG) on the topic of "Cell divisions (Mitosis and meiosis)".



Student's exposure visits

Our college students of 2020 batch have visited the farmers day organized by AC & RI (TNAU), Madurai from 14.10.2022 to 16.10.2022.

Twenty nine students (Optional course) from III B.Sc., (Hons.) Agriculture visited the Department of Nematology, TNAU, Coimbatore on 20.10.2022. Dr. Jothi, Professor (Nematology) explained the students about the commercial production of nematode antagonistic fungi, *Purpureocillium lilacinum, Pochonia chlamydosporia*.



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Third year B.Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture students were sensitized on the production of like *Trichoderma* and *Pseudomonas* on 13.10.2022. All the students learned the live making process of cultures along with the lab instruments.

Third Year B.Sc. (Hons.) Agricultural students to Kudumbam NGO, Kolingi farm, Keeranur on 17.10.2022. The students learnt about organic farming and procedure for organic farming certification.



The RVSAC students of the first year visited the Joint Director of Agriculture office at Thanjavur on 28.10.2022. Mr. Elanchezhian, Consultant (NFSM), Mrs. Sangavi SCO (AO) and Mrs. Latha (AO) explained about the Organization Setup, Seed Certification procedure and seed testing methods.

Outdoor class for the I year B.Sc., (Hons.) Agriculture students to Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Vamban and M S Swaminathan Research Foundation (MSSRF) Pdukkottai on 24.11.2022, to know about the organization pattern, staffing pattern and mandatory activities of MSSRF and its role in rural development.



Celebrations

Our college lively celebrated the Diwali festival on October 21st, 2022. The Principal felicitated the gathering and conveyed the diwali wishes to the faculties and students. The occasion was filled with various traditional activities, sweets and new dress distribution for labourers. The students actively participated in various competitions *viz.*, rangoli, games and musical performances. The celebration was organized by Students club, RVSAC.

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Dairy Farm Activities

Conducted the periodical health management for Sheep and Cattle deworming (Ivermectin) done to eliminate the endo parasites on 02.11.2022.

A duckery unit was established with 20 nos of ducks (American Pekin). The birds are largeframed, hardy and fast-growing – they may reach a body-weight of more than 3.5 kg (8 lb) in seven weeks. They have a high feed conversion ratio, are calm-tempered and fertile and their eggs have a high rate of hatchability and may lay over 150 white eggs per year.



Garden Activity

As a part of landscaping & gardening practicals. Second year students learnt dibbling method of mexican grass and planting of A*lternanthra sp* as hedges.



Rural Agricultural Work Experience (RAWE)

As a part of RAWE programme, final year students were divided into eleven groups and were located in eleven blocks of Thanjavur and Thiruvarur districts. They were attached to ADA's of Thanjavur, Orathanadu, Pattukkottai, Madukkur, Thiruvonam, Papanasam, Kumbakonam, Ammapettai, Budhalur, Thiruvaiyaru and Needamangalam from 09.12.2023 to 13.12.2023. They learnt from the concerned ADA's about the organization structure of department of Agriculture.



Farm activities

Sesbania aculeata was sown in 3 acres on 12.12.2022 to ensure the soil enrichment, before sowing the main crop. The green manure crop was raised in 'F' block.

Second year students were given a practical training of preparation of land, ridge formation and line of sowing of maize, sesame (TMV 3 & TMV 4) and black gram (VBN 8). The crops were raised in 'A' block.



Farmers Training - IPM

Dr. S. Sekar, Assistant Professor (AEN) and Mr. K. Ramalingam, Assistant Professor (PAT) attended this training as resource persons to train the farmers about integrated pest management. The Assistant Director of Agriculture, Budhalur block conducted a training programme on integrated pest management farmers (Maraneri, Rajagiri, and Viramasanpettai) from 21st to 23rd December 2022.

