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RAWE PROGRAMME - 2018

Every year Rural Work Experience Programme is conducted with the cooperation of the Department of Agriculture and the NGOs. Students are placed in villages for a period of 90 days to have a first-hand experience on agriculture. The students were placed in 25 locations covering 19 blocks in the districts of Vellore, Kancheepuram and Thiruvannamalai.



A total of 141 students attended the RAWE programme this year. Students attended the NGO attachment programme from 22.08.2018 to 31.08.2018. They were placed in reputed NGOs throughout the state. Similarly, they were placed in reputed Agro Industries from 03.09.2018 to 12.09.2018. Students were on ADA attachment programme from 09.10.2018 to 18.10.2018 and Village Stay Programme till 10.12.2018.

Orientation Programme for RAWE

Orientation programme for RAWE - IV B.Sc., (Agri.) Students was conducted on 10.10.2018 in the Seminar Hall, APAC. The programme was attended by IV B.Sc., Agri. Students. Dr. S. Manickam Dean, APAC, presided over the meeting and explained about the importance of ADA attachment, Village Stay Programme and advised the students to utilize the programme to their betterment. The Professor and Head, Department of Agronomy and Professor and Head, Department of Agricultural Entomology explained about the necessity of the programme and instructed the students to collect the complete details of farmers and necessary documents.

Dr. N. Jayakumar, RAWE course teacher detailed about the different activities to be carried out during the programme and the rules and regulation of the programme.



Vol. 2 No. 4 Oct- Dec 2018 They were in constant contact with their contact farmers and engaged in their agriculture activities and learned from them. They also disseminated new technologies to the farming communities through personal contact, meetings, exhibitions and rally. Students conducted exhibitions in the villages with the cooperation of Department of Agriculture and the district administration.

Monitoring RAWE students

Frequent visits by the Dean, Course teacher and the group facilitators were conducted to monitor the activities of the students Dean Dr. S. Manickam visited the RAWE batches on 20.10.2018, 23.10.2018, 25.10.2018 and 21.11.2018 for monitoring the activities of the groups. He evaluated their records and pocket note books. The concerned group facilitators also accompanied him. Suggestions for improving their work was also given.

RAWE Exhibition was conducted at APAC on 11.12.2018. Dean APAC, Dr. S. Manickam inaugurated the exhibition.





ORIENTATION PROGRAMME for I Diploma (Ag) students

Orientation programme for I Diploma (Ag) students was conducted on 3.10.2018 in Seminar Hall, APAC. The programme was attended by I Diploma., (Ag) students and their parents. Dr. S. Manickam, Dean, APAC, presided over the meeting and explained about the facilities in the college. The Professor and Head, Department of Agronomy and Professor and Head, Department of Agricultural Entomology explained about the rules and regulations of the college.

Hostel facilities and the rules to be followed were explained by respective hostel wardens of girls and boys hostel. Subsequently, students were taken to different farms and labs by the year coordinators during the next two days to orient them to the new atmosphere.

AGR 202 SHORT TOUR (0+1)

121 students belonging to the II B.Sc., (Agri.) went on a short tour during 22.10.18 to 28.10.18 fulfilling the Course requirement. They visited various research institutions in Thindivanam, Cuddalore, Aduthurai, Kattuthottam, Sirugamani, Trichy, Yercaud, Yethapur, TNAU, Coimbatore, FC& RI Mettupalayam and Burliar. They were accompanied by Dr.Prem kumar, Mr. R. Senthinathan (AP, Agronomy), Ms. S. Sathiya (AP, Agronomy) and Ms. M. Monisha (AP, Agronomy)



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CAREER GUIDANCE PROGRAMME



IAS Coaching

The institution has a tie up with Alternative Learning Systems (ALS) – India's largest IAS Training Institute, New Delhi for training IAS aspirants in the campus.

Mega Seminar on 'How to crack the civil services examination?' was conducted on on 26.10.2018 at the APAC Seminar Hall. Shri. Manish. K. Gautam, IAS Mentor & Executive Director, Alternative Learning Systems, New Delhi addressed the students. Dr. S. Manickam, Dean, APAC presided over the meeting and explained about the importance and role of IAS profession. Professor and Heads of Department of Agronomy and Department of Agricultural Entomology explained in detail about the values and opportunities ahead for Group I posts.

The III and Final Years students of Agriculture & Horticulture attended the seminar.

Bank and TNPSC Coaching

MoU has been signed with RACE Institute, Chennai for coaching students to crack Bank and TNPSC examinations. Orientation Programme for cracking Bank and TNPSC Examination for the Third and Final Year B.Sc (Agri) students was conducted on 27.10.2018. 88 students from III B.Sc. (Agri) and IV B.Sc. (Agri) have registered and are undergoing the coaching.

Dr. S. Manickam, Dean, APAC presided over the meeting and explained about role and job opportunities available. The Professor and Head, Department of Agronomy and Department of Agricultural Entomology explained about the scope and opportunities.

DEMONSTRATION UNIT



Crop Cafeteria / Integrated weed management in Maize APAC farm

Various demonstration units for the benefit of the students was developed in the APAC farm. Crop cafeteria covering various intercropping systems designed with the maize and cowpea crops was taken up at APAC Farm in the Agronomy Demonstration Block for the benefit of students. Mr. R. Senthilnathan (AP, Agronomy) was instrumental in establishing the demonstration unit as per the guidance of the Dean, Dr. S. Manickam.

AGR A22 Crop production (0+2) – RAGI & PADDY TRANSPLANTING

59 students belonging to Diploma II year Agriculture transplanted Rice (White Ponni variety) and Ragi (CO RA 14 variety) on 24.11.18 in APAC farm for the course AGR A22. The students started the transplanting operation in the presence of Dean Dr. S. Manickam and Dr. P. Kalaiselvan, Professor Agronomy. The course teacher Ms. S Sathiya (AP, Agronomy) guided the students in the operation



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AGR 301- Crop Production – HARVESTING PADDY

Paddy Harvesting done by III B.Sc., Agri Students for the course AGR 301Crop production (0+1) on 20.12.2018. 95 students harvested 1 ha of White Ponni variety of rice crop raised by them in the course AGR 301. 5.5 tonnes of grains and 11.4 tonnes of straw was obtained from 1 ha area.

The harvesting was done under the supervision of the Course Teacher Mr. N. Purushothaman (AP, Agronomy)





ALUMNI MEET

Alumini Meet was arranged on 9.12.2018 at the Seminar Hall, APAC. The programme was attended by alumni from various years. Dr. S. Manickam, Dean APAC presided over the meeting. Alumini students shared their personal experience and about their college life, career etc.

FOLDSCOPE WORKSHOP

Dr. T. Geetha and Dr. K. Indumathy received Indo-US sponsored projects from Department of Biotechnology, GOI on 24.8.2018. The project was inaugurated by Dr. S. Manickam, Dean (APAC) and Dr. M. Kannan, Dean (APHC). The session started with foldscope introduction by Dr. T. Geetha followed by foldscope assembling by I B.Sc (Hons) Horticulture students. After assembling, the students observed the pathogens from the prepared slides. Dr.K.Indumathy conducted various workshops for the farmers in villages across Vellore to create awareness on identification of pest and diseases by using foldscope.

Workshop for students		Workshop for farmers	
02.11.2018	APAC	28.11.2018	Anaicut village
14.11.2018	APAC	29.11.2018	Thamaraipaakam village
04.12.2018	APAC	30.11.2018	Vegamangalam village
05.12.2018	Thanigai polur	06.12.2018	Chinna mosur Village



APPOINTMENTS

Dr. G.Shanmugapriya, B.V.Sc. joined as Asst. Professor (Veterinary Science), on 08.11.2018.



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