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PRESSNOTE

Second Convocation of PJTSAU to be held on 9th December

- The Second Convocation of Professor Jayashankar Telangana State Agricultural University (PJTSAU) will be held on 9th December, 2018 at the University Auditorium, Rajendranagar, Hyderabad. The Hon'ble Governor of Telangana State and Chancellor of the University, Sri ESL Narasimhan will preside over the Convocation. Padma Bhushan, Dr.Rajendra Singh Paroda, Chairman, Trust for Advancement of Agricultural Sciences, New Delhi and Former Secretary (DARE) and Director General, ICAR, New Delhi will be the Chief Guest and deliver the Convocation address.
- Padma Bhushan, Dr.Rajendra Singh Paroda, Chairman, Trust for Advancement of Agricultural Sciences, New Delhi will be conferred the degree of Doctor of Science (*honoris causa*) by the University in recognition of his outstanding contribution to Indian Agriculture. He is an eminent Plant breeder and is well known internationally for his contribution to plant genetic resources through establishment of Gene banks and pioneer in development of the prestigious National Agricultural Technology Project (NATP) of the World Bank which has reoriented agricultural research, education and extension system in the country. He has received several National / International awards and recognitions, including the prestigious Padma Bhushan in 1998 in recognition of his valuable contributions to Indian agriculture.
- During the Convocation, out of 162 candidates to receive their degrees in PG &Ph.D programmes, 103 candidates will take the degrees in person and the rest in absentia.
- With regard to Undergraduate programmes, 584 students have qualified for the award of degrees in various faculties of Agriculture, Agricultural Engineering & Home Science and 367 candidates will receive the degrees in person.
- The Convocation will also witness distribution of Gold Medals (10 for PG/PhD & 17 for UG programmes) to the outstanding students who have excelled in the academics at University level.
- Apart from these, a gold medal at University level named "PJTSAU Outstanding Student Gold Medal" will be awarded to Ms. SayyedaSalimaAsra, CHHS-2013-016 for her excellent overall performance in varied activities under graduate level, across all faculties of the University.
- During the period under Convocation, the University received sanction from the State Government for establishing a new Agricultural College at Sircilla, RajannaSircilla district with an intake of 60 students from the academic year 2018-19 and for recruitment of 242 entry level faculty posts.

- The research and extension efforts of TEAM PJTSAU were recognized at the national level and the awards received for the year 2016-17 are ample testimony as given hereunder,
 - a) Outstanding AICRP Maize Research Centre Award
 - b) Best AICRIP Maize Research Centre in Breeder Seed Production
 - c) Best AICRIP Maize Research Centre for Commercialization of technologies
 - d) Best AICRIP Centre Award for Entomology (Rice), RARS, Warangal.
- The AINP on Pesticide Residues and MFPI - Quality Control Laboratory, two premier laboratories of PJTSAU located at Rajendranagar, successfully completed the Desktop Surveillance requirement by the NABL / QCI as per ISO/IEC 17025: 2005 Quality Management System upholding the accreditation of the labs.
- Among the research initiatives, the Soil and Land Use Mapping Project with NBSS&LUP, Delineation of crop colonies, Demonstration and popularization of location specific IFS models through its 15 Agricultural Research Stations including 3 RARS need to be mentioned.
- The NRM team has generated encouraging results on the profitable farming systems in cotton-maize-legume and castor-groundnut ecosystem to enhance system productivity while the plant protection team has developed implementable technologies for management of pests.
- Breeder seed of major crops to the extent of 3323.37q was produced and supplied to seed producing agencies for multiplication and distribution. In addition, 10550 q of foundation / truthfully labelled seed of various crops was also produced during 2016-17.
- The Natural Dyes Processing and Incubation Centre of the University supported by Telangana State Pollution Control Board (TSPCB) with a funding of Rs 1.0 crore produced 22 tonnes of natural dye paint which was supplied to paint 2 lakh Ganesh idols as part of the University's efforts to reduce environmental pollution.
- TEAM Extension of PJTSAU launched two new KVKs during the year 2016-17, one at BhadradriKothagudem and another at Mancherial district in addition to the existing six KVKs and nine District Agricultural Advisory and Transfer of Technology Centers (DAATTCs).
- Real time Agro advisories were provided through 1218 diagnostic field visits by the University personnel along with 326 visits in association with Department of Agriculture. The University also organized 6 *KisanMelas*, 32 *Rythusadassus*, 39 Farmers-Scientist interaction meetings to create awareness and educate the farming community about the latest agriculture technologies
- Great emphasis was given to carrying out quality research which resulted in the publication of 538 articles (Teaching-272, Research-252 and Extension-14) in various peer reviewed national and international journals during the period of report.
- As a consequence of these industrious efforts, **PJTSAU** secured the 12th Position in ICAR Ranking of State Agricultural Universities (SAUs), Deemed Universities and Central Agricultural Universities for the period 2016-17, in the year 2017.

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