

ICAR-CIPHET CELEBRATES 32nd FOUNDATION DAY PROGRAMME 2020

The ICAR-Central Institute of Post-Harvest Engineering and Technology, Ludhiana, Punjab celebrated its 32nd Foundation Day on 3rd October 2020. Dr. K. Alagusundaram, Honorable Deputy Director General (Agril. Engg.) could not attend the celebrations due to his urgent meeting with higher authorities, but he spoke to the Director, ICAR-CIPHET, Ludhiana over phone and congratulated all the staff of the Institute. He extended his best wishes for career growth of the scientists, officers, staff and the Institute. He urged the scientists to reorient the research programs according to the policies of central government and aspirations of stakeholders.

The Chief Guest of the function, Dr. S. N. Jha, Assistant Director General (Process Engineering) congratulated the staff and applauded the Institution's accomplishments during its 31 years of journey. He advised the scientists to publish research work in quality journals and also work hard for getting the international projects and collaborations. He further asked the scientists to develop low cost technologies for the farmers and small entrepreneurs.

Dr. R. K. Singh, Director, ICAR-CIPHET, Ludhiana highlighted the Institute's contributions in the area of Post-Harvest Processing. He also highlighted the contributions of past directors and expressed gratitude on behalf of the Institute to all of them. The director asked the seniors to mentor the junior scientists for the

growth and visibility of the Institute at the International and National level. Senior officials of ICAR-CIPHET, Dr. S.K. Tyagi, PC (PHET), Dr. K Narsaiah, I/C Head AS & EC Division, Dr Mridula D., I/C Head FG &OP, Dr. Ramesh Kumar, I/C Head HCP Division, Sh H.L.Meena, Senior Administrative Officer, ICAR-CIPHET, Ludhiana shared their views and memories associated with the institute.

The licensees of ICAR-CIPHET technologies, Mr. Ashwani Garg, Ms. Shruti Goyal and Mrs. Anita Goyal shared their experiences on association with ICAR-CIPHET and praised the Institute for the technical guidance, support and hand holding received. On the occasion a promising technology on “Mechanized System for Primary Roasting of Raw Makhana Seeds” was also released and transferred to the entrepreneur Mr. Ashwani Garg of Unitech Technocrats, Kala Amb (Sirmour), HP.

On this occasion, Dr Mridula D., I/C Head FG &OP and chairperson, foundation Day organization Committee, announced the names of award winners in various categories. The programme was coordinated by Dr. Swati Sethi, Scientist, FG & OP Division. The programme ended with formal vote of thanks by Dr. Manju Bala, Pr. Scientist, and member foundation Day organization Committee, ICAR-CIPHET, Ludhiana.

