

NSS State Award : Best University, Best Coordinator and Volunteers



Vice-Chancellor receiving the Award from Hon'ble Governor, Government of Karnataka

UAS, BANGALORE was awarded the State Level NSS Best University Award for the year 2022-23 felicitated by Hon'ble Governor, GoK during the programme held at Raj Bhavan on 17th March, 2025. Dr. S.V. Suresha, Vice-Chancellor received the award. Dr. R. Muthuraju, Associate Professor of Agril. Microbiology was awarded the Best NSS Programme Coordinator for the year 2022-23 while, Mr. M.V. Yashwanth Gowda and Ms. K. Maheshwari, students of CoA, GKVK were awarded Best State NSS Volunteers.

THE WOMEN SAFETY CELL of UAS, Bangalore organised International Women's Day on 8th March, 2025 at GKVK, Bengaluru. Dr. S.V. Suresha, Vice-Chancellor of UAS-B, emphasized the significant contributions of women to society, stating that the event aims to acknowledge and celebrate women's social, economic, cultural, and political accomplishments while also raising awareness about on-going gender inequalities and the necessity for equality. The chief guest, Dr. Vijaya-lakshmi Deshmane, Padmashree Awardee and Oncologist, shared insights from her professional journey. Additionally, Dr. V.B. Arathi, Sanskrit Scholar and Counsellor, Vibhu Academy, Bengaluru, discussed the vital role of

International Women's Day - 2025



Vice-Chancellor inaugurating the event

women and the significance of Women's Day. The programme was attended by Dr. K.C. Narayanaswamy, Registrar and Dean of Postgraduate Studies; Dr. N.B. Prakash, Dean (Agri.), CoA, GKVK, and Dr. R. Vasantha Kumari, Chairperson of the Women Safety Cell. Faculty, staff and students actively participated in the event. Dr. M.A. Rashmi, Founder and CEO of M/s. Rashvee International Phytosanitary Research and Services Pvt. Ltd., Bengaluru inaugurated the programme organised at Chintamani by College of Sericulture who urged the students to take up entrepreneurial activities to become self-reliant. Dr. K.M. Harinikumar, Special Officer, University of Agricultural & Horticultural Sciences, V.C. Farm, Mandya, inaugurated the event organised by CoA, V.C. Farm, Mandya.

Novel Bakery Products : Exhibition-cum-Sale at GKVK

THE INSTITUTE OF BAKING TECHNOLOGY AND VALUE ADDITION, Directorate of Extension hosted 'Novel Bakery Products – Exhibition-cum-Sale' on 13th March, 2025 at GKVK as a part of the 74th batch of fourteen-weeks Bakery Technology Certificate Courses to guarantee general exposure to bakery product preparation, pricing and marketing. Dr. S.V. Suresha, Vice-Chancellor gave the programme its start



Vice-Chancellor and the Officers of UAS, Bangalore at the exhibition

by cutting decorated fresh pineapple pulp cake. In his inaugural address, the Vice-Chancellor encouraged the trainees to become successful entrepreneurs by utilizing a variety of marketing and communication skills. Thirty-five participants showcased their distinctive baked products, including pizza, almond cake, rich chocolate brownies, banana walnut cake, Korean cheese cake, bento cakes and others. Dr. K.C. Narayanaswamy, Registrar; Dr. Y.N. Shivalingaiah, Director of Extension; Dr. H.S. Shivaramu, Director of Research and Dr. N.B. Prakash, Dean (Agri.), CoA, GKVK and other officials graced the occasion and interacted with the entrepreneurs.

UAS-B Faculty Sports Meet

THE FACULTY SPORTS MEET was organised by the Association of Teachers of UAS, Bangalore (ATUAS-B) on 14th & 15th March, 2025 at the GKVK Sports Complex. Dr. S.V. Suresha, Vice-Chancellor presided over the programme which was inaugurated by



Vice-Chancellor inaugurating the cricket competition

Shri G.V. Gaonkar, Former National Coach (Athletics), Sports Authority of India, Bengaluru. Shri B. Chethan, International Athlete, Junior Warrant Officer, Indian Air Force was the Chief Guest. Dr. K.S. Rajashekarappa, President, ATUAS-B welcomed all the dignitaries. The two-day event featured Cricket, Volleyball, Throw ball, Shuttle badminton and Carom.

Visit of British High Commission Delegates

AGRI INNOVATION CENTRE of UAS, Bangalore facilitated an interactive session on 21st March, 2025 involving officials from the British High Commission, British Start-ups, University



Delegates with Officers and Scientists

Officials, Scientists, and emerging Start-ups. This engagement centred on the 'UK to India Agri Tech Accelerator Programme,' which seeks to enhance collaboration and promote agricultural innovation between the UK and India, with a particular emphasis on supporting farm sustainability, profitability, and the development of Agritech Start-ups. Dr. Veena S Anil, Professor and Coordinator of AIC oversaw the delegates visit.

Scientific Advisory Committee Meeting of Krishi Vigyan Kendras

THE 18TH SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SAC) MEETING of KVK, Chikkaballapura was convened on 18th March, 2025 under the Chairmanship of Dr. S.V. Suresha, Vice-Chancellor of UAS-B, who underscored the importance of KVK initiatives in fostering comprehensive agricultural development within the district. Dr. Y.N. Shivalingaiah, Director of Extension, emphasized the need to promote sustainable agricultural practices, while Dr. Srinivasa Reddy, Principal Scientist, ATARI, Bengaluru called for the organization of programmes aimed at addressing the challenges faced by farmers.



'Rasi Pooja' performed during SAC meeting of KVK, Hassan

THE 27TH MEETING OF SAC OF ICAR-KVK, HASSAN took place on 20th March, 2025 at the KVK premises. The meeting was chaired by Dr. S.V. Suresha, Vice-Chancellor, who emphasized the critical role of KVK initiatives and their importance for the overall growth of agriculture in the district. Dr. Y.N. Shivalingaiah, Director of Extension, recognized the accomplishments of KVK and motivated the scientists to pursue their endeavours with vigour. Additionally, Dr. M.J. Chandregowda, Principal Scientist, ATARI, Bengaluru called for a more profound comprehension of the challenges faced by farmers in order to effectively address their concerns.

Workshop on Entrepreneurship Development

THE AGRI INNOVATION CENTRE (AIC), UAS-B hosted a one-day Entrepreneurship Development Workshop entitled 'Innovate to Elevate: Building Resilient Agri Start-ups for the Future' on 27th March, 2025. The inaugural session featured Shri Narayanan Suresh, CEO of ABLE, Bengaluru as the chief guest, alongside esteemed guests including Dr. N.B. Prakash, Dean (Agri.), CoA, GKV; Dr. H.S. Shivaramu, Director of Research; Dr. Y.N. Shivalingaiah, Director of Extension and Dr. Veena S Anil, Professor and Coordinator of AIC, UAS-B. The workshop aimed to foster an entrepreneurial mind set among the participants by offering insights into innovative agricultural practices. Technical sessions addressed critical topics such as entrepreneurial opportunities, cultivating an innovation mind set, validating problems and strategies for scaling-up.



Chief Guest inaugurating the workshop

DEPARTMENT OF HORTICULTURE, CoA, GKV organized three training programmes for farmers under Central Sector Scheme on Development of Medicinal, Aromatic and Spice crops, Directorate of Arecanut and Spices Development. Training on 'Improved cultivation Practices in Turmeric and its processing' on 19th March, 2025 at Halagapura; 'Improved cultivation Practices in Turmeric and Ginger' on 24th March, 2025 at Malligehalli and 'Importance of Seed Spices and their cultivation' on 26th March, 2025 at Sattigala were organised in Kollegala Taluk of Chamarajanagara District. Dr. K.N. Srinivasappa, Professor coordinated the programmes.

Training on Medicinal, Aromatic & Spice Crops

DAESI Certificate Distribution Ceremony

THE CERTIFICATE DISTRIBUTION CEREMONY for the second cohort of the DAESI programme took place at Biofuel Park, Madenur, Hassan, on 20th March, 2025. During his opening remarks, Dr. S.V. Suresha, Vice-Chancellor, encouraged the DAESI graduates to remain committed to the farming community and adhere to ethical business practices to elevate the state's agricultural sector. A total of 38 students received certificates for successfully completing the DAESI programme. The event was attended by Dr. Y.N. Shivalingaiah, Director of Extension; Dr. K.N. Muniswamy Gowda, Dean (Agri.), CoA, Hassan; Dr. R. Narayan Reddy, State Nodal Officer for DAESI and Dr. A.C. Girish, Head of Biofuel Park.



Dignitaries releasing the Brochure during the National Conference on 'New Frontiers in Apiculture' organised by AICRP on Honey Bees & Pollinators and Department of Apiculture, CoA, GKVK on 6th & 7th March, 2025.

Other Significant Achievements

- ▶ National Accreditation Board for Testing and Calibration Laboratories has granted permission to Plant Disease Diagnostic Laboratory, Department of Plant Pathology, CoA, GKVK to use NABL Accredited CAB combined ILAC MRA Mark which is valid till 24.09.2025
- ▶ Dr. H.S. Shivaramu, Director of Research and Dr. M.H. Manjunath, Asst. Professor, AICRP on Agrometeorology, GKVK have been elected as Vice-President and Executive Member, respectively of the Association of Agrometeorologists, Anand Agricultural University, Gujarat
- ▶ ICAR, KVK, Tumakuru-I organized a training-cum-demonstration on mushroom cultivation, processing and value addition at Hagalwadi, Gubbi taluk on 8th March, 2025 as part of International Women's Day
- ▶ Dr. B. Kalpana, Professor & Head along with Dr. M. Geetha Yankanchi, Professor and two Young Professionals of AICRP-WIA from GKVK participated in the Global Conference on Sustainable Agri-food Systems, held at Bhubaneswar from 8th to 10th March, 2025. The scientists earned two 'Best Oral Presentation' Awards.
- ▶ AICRP on Seed (Crops), GKVK, Bengaluru organized training cum seed and agricultural implements distribution programme on 11th March, 2025 at B.R. Hills, Chamaraajanagara under Tribal Sub Plan Programme
- ▶ ICAR-KVK, Ramanagara organized one week capacity building programme for Krishi Sakhi's on Agro-ecological practices, module-3 for 1st batch of participants from 17th to 22nd March, 2025 and also inaugurated the 10th batch of DAESI programme on 15th March, 2025
- ▶ The 51st Sports & Cultural Committee and the 43rd Combined Hostel Supervisory Committee meeting of UAS, Bangalore was held on 19th March, 2025 to discuss and establish guidelines for the effective management of sports, cultural activities and hostel administration
- ▶ One-day workshop on 'Nutrition and Wellness for Women Empowerment' was organised on 20.03.2025 for Master's & Doctoral students under the Skill Development Training Programme of the Skill Development Council, GKVK
- ▶ ICAR-Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Bengaluru Rural District organized Training and Exhibition programme on PPVFRA on 24th March, 2025 and also organized farmers exposure visit to National Horticulture Fair-2025 held at IIHR, Bengaluru on 1st March, 2025
- ▶ Extension Education Unit, Organic Farming Research Station, Naganahalli, Mysuru commemorated the 'World Water Day-2025' with the theme of 'Glacier Preservation' on 24th March, 2025
- ▶ The College of Agriculture, GKVK hosted the 54th UAS-B Inter-Campus Athletic Meet on 26th & 27th March, 2025. Undergraduate students from the College of Agriculture, GKVK secured the Overall Championship, triumphing in various sports and games. College of Agriculture, Hassan were the overall Runners-up in sports and games.

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