

SWACHHTA PAKHWADA

KVK - Tirunelveli has organized "Swachhta Pakhwada" activities from 16th to 31st December 2020. As part of the programme, cleaning of KVK premises, streets, temple and primary health centre. The other activities includes awareness campaign for decomposition of farm wastes, segregation of solid waste management, effects of open defecation and communicable diseases, better sanitation practices on health and personal hygiene were conducted. Totally 565 persons were involved in that programme.



ON & OFF CAMPUS TRAINING PROGRAMME

From June to December, four on campus trainings was given to 131 farmers at KVK, Tirunelveli and Sixteen off-campus training was conducted to 393 farmers at different villages in Tirunelveli and Tenkasi District. Specific topics in agriculture allied sector were covered in these training programmes.



ON FARM TRIAL (OFT) 2020 - 2021

S.No	Title
1	Assessing the Suitable Fine grain paddy varieties for Tirunelveli district
2	Assessment of suitable Vegetable cowpea variety for Banana based cropping system in Tenkasi District
3	Assessment of technology modules against Nematode infestation in tomato
4	Assessing the suitable Banana variety for Supplementary Nutri mix

FRONTLINE DEMONSTRATION (FLD) - 2020 -2021

S.No	Title
1	Demonstration of Paddy variety ADT 53
2	Demonstration on PLR - 2 Bottle gourd
3	IPDM in small onion

Technological Product Sales at KVK Tirunelveli

Grafted planting material (Mango)
Coconut Seedlings
Vermi - Compost

Value Added Products Sales at KVK, Tirunelveli

Amla Rice Mix	Amla Soup Mix	Idli Podi
Nutrimix	Mango Squash	Pickle Mix
Avaram Poo Tea Mix	Avaram Poo Squash	Thulasi Sarbath
Herbal Rasam Podi	Mushroom	Amla Squash
Hibiscus Sarbath	Masala Podi	

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AWARENESS PROGRAMME ON POSHAN MAAH

KVK Tirunelveli celebrated POSHAN Abhiyaan (National Nutrition Mission) India's flagship programme, launched in March 2018 to improve the nutritional status of Children up to 6 years, adolescent girls, pregant women and lactating mothers. Our KVK has conducted 21 awareness programmes, online programmes and live Phone in programme among farm women, children, anganwadi workers and extension officials during September 2020 in different places of Tenkasi District and created awareness about establishment of nutri gardens, promotion of bio- fortified crop varieties, importance of nutritious food for healthy life, promoting nutri-thali for balanced diet and value added products.

A district level event on awareness cum Kisan Gosthi Programme on Poshan Maah for anganwadi workers, Farm women and progressive farmers was conducted at KVK Campus on 17.09.2020. Delivered technical lecture on Kitchen gardening bio fortified varieties, package of practices for Horticulture crops and balanced diet among the participants. Exhibited live model on balanced diet for whole day (Nutri Thali), vegetables, fruits, cereals, pulses, millet, value added Products, medicinal plants, kitchen garden kit and exposed to the KVK Nutri garden unit. Distributed Seeds and Fruit saplings to the Anganwadi Workers. During this programme, Kitchen garden kits were distributed to the FLD beneficiaries. Booklet on Nutrition garden and balanced diet released and distributed to the participants. Mrs. Jeyabharathi Malathi, Deputy Director (Horiculture), Mr. Sivakumar, APO (Mahalir thittam), CDPOs of Tenkasi district, supervisors, Anganwadi workers and farm women were participated. Totally 81 members were participated in this programme.



SPONSORED TRAINING - DISASTER MANAGEMENT

Organized one day training on "Capacity building of farmers and village level functionaries on disaster management and drought mitigation techniques" sponsored by Tamil Nadu Agricultural University and department of Revenue and Disaster Management at Tirumalapuram village, Melanelithanallur block on 10.09.2020. Dr. Rangaraj, Professor and Head Agronomy, CRS, TNAU, Vanikoneanthal and Dr. Ram jagadesh, Assistant Professor Pathology Rice Research Station, TNAU, Ambai, Mr. Lakshmiathan Assistant Engineer from Agril. Engg, and Mr. Mohammed Nainar, ADA, Melanelithanallur presided the programme. Delivered technical lecture on dryland agriculture, drought mitigation techniques in agriculture and horticulture crops, integrated pest and disease management in dryland agriculture, construction of farm ponds, recharging wells and check dams for rain water harvesting. Exhibited dryland techniques and pamphlets were distributed to the participants.

**WORLD SOIL DAY**

KVK Tirunelveli Celebrated "World Soil Day" on 05.12.2020 at KVK campus. During the programme, special lectures on conservation measure and sustainable management of Soil Biodiversity for agricultural productivity, importance of soil testing and soil health management. Demonstrate soil sample collection and soil testing measures like soil moisture, EC and pH. Distributed soil health cards and pamphlets to the participants. Totally 96 farmers and line department officials participated in the programme.

**FARMERS DAY**

Celebrated Kisan Diwas (Farmers day) as part of "Swachhata Pakhwada" on 23.12.2020 at KVK campus. In that programme, the farmers were emphasised on doubling the farmer's income through adoption of modern technologies. As part of the programme successful farmers were honoured and shared their experiences among the participants. Also, certificates were issued to the training programme on sericulturist and Nursery worker trainers sponsored by Agriculture skill council of India. Totally 123 farmers were participated in the Programme.

**PRIME MINISTER'S VIRTUAL PROGRAMMES**

KVK staffs and farmers registered and attended the events of "Inauguration of academic and administrative building of Rani Laskhmi Bhai", Central Agricultural University, Jhansi on 29.08.2020 and PM Kisan samman Nidhi live webcasting Programme at KVK Campus on 25.12.2020.

**MAHILA KISAN DIWAS**

Celebrated Mahila Kisan Diwas at KVK campus on 15.10.2020 to recognize the contribution of women in Agriculture. On that occasion, the successful farm women and agripreneur were honoured for their contribution in agriculture and shared their experiences among the participants. As part of the programme, drawing, speech and debate competitions conducted and prizes were distributed to the participants. Exhibited different fruit crop varieties, grafted plants and value added products. About 42 Farm women were participated.

**NFSM - CFLD PROGRAMME**

Under National Food Security Mission (NFSM) Cluster Frontline Demonstration (CFLD), KVK, Tirunelveli was allotted 10 ha of blackgram for Kharif 2020 season. A total of 25 demonstrations were undertaken in a cluster approach in DFI village and their village by covering 10 ha in Kadayannallur block of Tenkasi district. Critical inputs viz., seeds (blackgram - VBN 8), bio agents, pulses wonder, IPDM inputs were distributed to all beneficiary farmers. As part of the programme, demonstration, training, field visit and field day was conducted.

**FIELD DAY**

KVK- Tirunelveli conducted field day for the FLD on Demonstration on vegetable coleus (Sreedhara variety) on 29.12.2020 at Ravanasamudram village, Kadayam Block. In that Programme, Dr. Sethuraman Sivakumar, Principal Scientist, Dr. Muthuraj, Principal Scientist, Dr. Kesavakumar, Scientist from central Tuber Crops Research Institute, Thiruvananthapuram and Dr. Arumugasamy, Professor & Head, Rice Research station, Ambasamuthram presided the programme. About 20 farmers were participated.

**FARMER'S WEBINAR**

KVK Tirunelveli conducted online training programme on vermicomposting, flower crops under shade net cultivation, IPDM in coconut, training on minimization of nutrient loss in processing & cooking, Nutrition food security and safety, soil health & its management, micro-nutrients deficiency in major horticultural crops, integrated farming system and kitchen garden during April to December 2020. In that programme about 254 farmers were participated.