Blood Donation Camp

NSS unit of CoH, Venkataramannagudem conducted a Blood donation camp in association with Blood Bank wing of Government Hospital, Eluru and Vasista Lion’s club Amalapuram on 02.11.2019. Sri. Chiranjiv Choudhary, IFS, Vice-Chancellor, Dr. A. Sujatha, Dean of Student Affairs & NSS Programme Coordinator, Dr. K. Gopal, Registrar, Dr. N.V.Rao, Government Hospital Blood bank wing Eluru and P.S. Kameswari Devi, Global Service Coordinator, Vasista Lions club, Amalapuram, Dr. M. Madhavi, Associate Dean, Dr. P. Subbaramamma and Dr. K. Sesha Kiran, NSS Programme officers, staff and students have participated in the camp. Sri. Chiranjiv Choudary, IFS, Vice-Chancellor, Dr YSRHU distributed appreciation certificates to the blood donors.
Exposure Visits

RHWEP students of CoH, Parvathipuram allotted to HRS, Kovvur were taken to vocational training on Coir extraction unit at Kalavalapalli village and Cashew Processing Unit at Chikkala village, West Godavari district on 07.11.2019. Sri. G. Sekhar owner of the coir industry explained about the collection of raw material, different stages of coir extraction, packing and economics. Sri. S.Srinu, owner of the cashew boiling industry explained about the collection of cashew nuts, boiling, manual and mechanized nut cracking, peeling and storage of nuts to RHWEP students. Dr.K.Ravindra Kumar, Scientist (Hort.), Dr.R.Nagalakshmi Scientist (Hort.) and Dr.S.Kishore Kumar, Scientist (Pl. Path.) of HRS, Kovvur, coordinated the programme.

Rythusadassus

Final year B.Sc (Hons.) Horticulture students of CoH, Parvathipuram organized Rythusadassu at HRS, Kovvur on 15.11.2019 as part of their RHWEP. Students arranged an exhibition, performed cultural programmes and facilitated interaction of farmers with scientists on horticultural aspects. Dr.D.Srihari, Dean of Horticulture, Dr. Prasanna Kumar, Associate Dean, CoH, Parvathipuram, Dr.Vijayapadma, Assoicate Dean Representatives, Dr.K.Mamatha, Senior Scientist (Hort.), Dr.R.Nagalakshmi Scientist (Hort.) and Dr.K.Ravindra Kumar, Scientist (Hort.) of HRS, Kovvur, Sri.Srinivas, HO, Kovvur, host farmers and other farmers from surrounding villages have participated in the programme.

On 06.11.2019, RHWEP students of CoH, Venakataramannagudem allotted to KVK, Pandirimamidi organized Rythu Sadassu at I.Polavaram village of Rampachodavaram mandal. Dr.P.Lalitha Kameswari, Sr.Scientist & Head, invoked the program. Dr.M.Madhavi, Associate Dean i/c , CoH, V.R.Gudem attended as chief guest and inaugurated the stalls, addressed the students and farmers about the objectives of RHWEP. Sri. Satyam Naidu, APD, VELUGU and Sri.Y.Satyanarayana, PHO-ITDA, Rampachodavaram explained the importance of practical exposure to RHWEP students. A booklet on field observations of RHWEP students i.e. Kshetra Stai Parisilanalu – Vatiki Suchanalu was released. Soil health cards were also provided to the host farmers of RHWEP students. Dr. K.Rajendra Prasad, Head – Incharge, HRS, Pandirimamidi, ADH, Rajahmundry, H.O, KVK, Scientists and 110 farmers have participated.

On 11th Nov, 2019, students of CoH, Anantarajupeta allotted to KVK, Periyavaram conducted Rhytu Sadassu and exhibition at Tippavaripadu village of Gudur mandal, SPSR Nellore Dist. In this programme, the students displayed innovative models on different cultivation practices, shade net, polyhouse, drip irrigation, biopesticides and fertilizers, and new varieties of fruits, vegetables and
flowers suitable for cultivation in the area and can bring better income to the farmers. Dr. M. Ramakrishna, Associate Dean, COH, Anantarajupeta attended the programme as chief guest and stated each farmer should adopt drip irrigation for effective usage of water resources and better yield. Dr. B. Govinda Rajulu, Principal Scientist & Head, KVK, Periyavaram explained the importance of RHWE programme as a learning experience for students and also briefed the activities of KVK to the farmers. The programme was also attended by Dr. P. Syam Sundar Reddy, Associate Professor, CoH, Anantarajupeta. M. Raja Naik, Associate Professor, CoH, Anantarajupeta, Dr. K. Uma Maheshwari, Scientist (Hort.), CRS, Petlur and Sri S. V. Naga Mohan, MAO-Gudur. Ms. Y. Swarupa, R.A (Ento.), KVK-Periyavaram coordinated the programme.

On 13.11.2019, RHWE students of CoH, Anantharajupeta allotted to KVK, Vonipenta organized Rythu Sadassu as a part of RHWE activity at Vonipenta village of Mydukur mandal. Dr. M. Ramakrishna, Associate Dean, CoH, Anantarajupeta has participated as chief guest and addressed the gathering on reduction of cost of cultivation and cultivation of crops based on market demand for higher returns.

Achievement

Sri. Y. Rajasekhar Reddy M.Sc. (PSMA), CoH, Venkataramannagudem got Senior Research Fellowship under EWS category and joined in Ph.D programme at UBKV, West Bengal.

Research

In an experiment conducted at CRS, Tirupati on snow scales management in citrus on acidlime cv. Balaji (age of the orchard-6 years) the treatment, buprofezin 25SC @ 2ml/l + Petroleum spray oil @ 1% (10ml/l) {Kyros spray oil E4} (68% reduction over control) was more effective followed by imidacloprid 17.8SL @0.5ml/l (43.70% reduction over control) and dimethoate 30EC @2ml/l (39.50%) as compared to control.
Acoruscalamus (vasa) variety APAc - 5 and Swarna Swara (VV-1) were proposed for release from HRS, Venkataramannagudem has been recommended to Central Variety Release Committee in the XXVII Annual Group Meeting of AICRP on Medicinal and Aromatic Plants & Betelvine organized from 18th to 20th October, 2019.

Training Programmes

KVK, Venkataramannagudem conducted Skill Training Programme on “Beekeeping” from 29.10.2019 to 02.11.2019. On 02.11.2019, Sri. Chiranjiv Choudhary, IFS, Vice-Chancellor participated as chief guest and addressed the participants on the Importance of Honey bees in Pollination of crops, processing and marketing of honey, various departmental schemes for promotion of beekeeping under MIDH. Dr.B.Srinivasulu, Director of Extension, attended as guest of honour and explained about Importance of FPOs for the marketing of honey and other products and also explained about the various beekeeping activities under KVKs of Dr.YSRHU, later distributed certificates to the trainees. Sri.G.Shali Raju, Scientist (Ento.), KVK, Venkataramannagudem has co-ordinated the programme.

KVK, Venkataramannagudem conducted 3 days skill oriented training program on ‘Value addition of fruits and vegetables’ from 05.11.2019 to 07.11.2019 at KVK, Venkataramannagudem to 30 nos. tribal women farmers for establishing a processing unit as an enterprise. In this program the trainees were trained on preparation of Guava nectar, mixed fruit jam and tomato ketchup. As part of this program Dr. B. Srinivasulu, Director of Extension, Dr. Venkata Swamy, Principal Scientist & Head, PHTRS and Dr. E. Karuna Sree, Principal Scientist & Head interacted with trainees and also delivered a lecture on importance of value addition in fruits and vegetables and also distributed mini fruit pulper to women groups under ARYA project. On the last day as part of exposure visit, trainees visited ITDA, K.R.Puram and observed the functioning of spice powder making unit. Dr. E. Karuna Sree, Principal Scientist & Head and Ch. Srinivasa rao, A.P.O and Sri. Jilani, APD ITDA K.RPuam distributed to trainees. The program was coordinated by Dr. K. Venkata Subbaiah, Scientist (Hort.).

HRS, Anantharajupeta organized a training programme on “Scientific cultivation of Turmeric’ at District Collectorate, Kadapa on 12.11.2019 to the turmeric growers from Mydukur, Duvvuru and Chaapadu mandals of YSR Kadapa district. Assistant Director of Horticulture Sri.Ravidranatha Reddy, Kadapa, Dr. D. Sreedhar, Scientist (Hort) Dr. T. Naga lakshmi Scientist, (Pl. Path.) and Dr. Y.S.Sharat Kumar Reddy, Scientist (Pl. Physiology) and Miss Sindhu, Horticulture Officer Kadapa participated in training and
delivered lectures on Fertigation, INM, Post harvest technology and IPDM aspects of Turmeric crop.

On 04.11.2019, Dr.K.Ravindra Kumar, Scientist (Hort.) and Dr.A.Snehalatha Rani, Scientist (Pl. Path.), HRS, Kovvur attended a training programme on “Export oriented banana cultivation and disease management” as resource persons organized by Department of Horticulture, Krishna district at Chekkapalli village of Musunuru mandal. Sri.Srinivas, ADH, Nuzuveedu and Saratschandra, HO, Musunuru attended the programme. Various issues with respect to banana cultivation, tissue culture plant material, diseases management etc. were discussed with farmers.

Dr. R. Rajyalakshmi, Sr. Scientist (Hort.) & Head, Dr.B.K.M. Lakshmi, Sr. Scientist (Pl. Path.) and Dr. G. Sravanthi, Scientist (Ento.), MRS, Nuzvid along with JDH, ADH, Nuzvid, HOs and other Village Horticultural Assistants participated in the training programme on Mango as resource persons to farmers and a booklet on “Mango” was released. Department of Horticulture, Nuzvid, Krishna district organized the training programme on 05.11.2019.

KVK, Periyavaram conducted training programme on “Improved vegetable production” on 06.11.2019 to the farmers with an aim to acknowledge the farmers about improved varieties of vegetables and scientific production technologies to improve productivity and reduce cost of cultivation. Dr.B.Govinda Rajulu, Principal Scientist & Head, KVK, Periyavaram discussed about new chilli varieties, Arka Haritha and Arka Meghana released by IIHR, Bengaluru and their varietal characteristics. Ms. Y. Swarupa, Research Associate (Ento.) gave detailed power point presentation about pests and diseases of vegetables and their managemental practices. As a part of the programme, seedlings of the chilli varieties were distributed to 10 farmers of Venkatagiri and Dakkali mandal.

On 07.11.2019, Sri. G. Sandeep Naik, Scientist (Pl. Path.) & Head, KVK, Vonipenta attended a training a programme as resource person organized by Dept. of Horticulture at Gangaperur and Chintharajupalle villages of Vontimitta mandal. Explained about cultivation practices, pest and disease management, fertilizer management in turmeric, banana and papaya crops. Sri. Madhusudana Reddy, DD Horticulture, Sri Ravindranath Reddy, ADH, Rajampeta and Smt Tejaswini, HO, Vontimitta have also partici-
Dr. B. Srinivasulu, Principal Scientist (Hort.) & Head, Dr. P. Deepthi, Scientist (Pl. Path.), HRS, Anantapuramu attended farmer training programme and field visit on Chilli at Gollaladoddi (V), Guntakal (M) on 15.09.2019 organized by Department of Horticulture.

Dr.N.B.V.Chalapathi Rao, Principal Scientist (Ento.), HRS, Ambajipeta delivered lecture on Integrated Pest management of rugose spiralling whitefly at RHTI, Gopannapalem, West Godavari in a awareness meeting organized by Central integrated pest management center (CIPMC), Ministry of Agriculture, Govt. of India Vijayawada on 07.11.2019.

On Farm Trial
On 06.11.2019 Sri. G. Sandeep Naik, Scientist (Pl. Path.) & Head, KVK, Vonipenta conducted method demonstration on seed treatment in maize to beneficiary farmers under OFT: Assessment of management modules against Fall Army Worm in Maize at Muddreddipalli Thanda village of Mydukur mandal. During the demonstration the seeds were treated with Cyanthraniliprole + Thiamethoxam @ 4 ml per kg seed to protect the crop from Fall armyworm damage at initial stages of the crop.

Front Line Demonstrations
On 12.11.2019, Sri G. Sandeep Naik, Scientist (Pl. Path.) & Head and Dr.V. Yugandhar, Research Associate (Hort.), KVK, Vonipenta visited blackgram fields for followup under FLD “Demonstration of MYMV resistant blackgram var. TBG 104” at Madirepalli village of Duvvur mandal. Observed leaf webber infestation and suggested to spray chlorpyriphos @ 0.25%.

On 13.11.2019, Dr. V. Nagarjuna, Research Associate (Soil Science), KVK, Vonipenta has initiated the FLD on improving banana bunch yield through application of N, K and S and distributed the inputs to the farmers. The scientist explained the method and quantity of nutrient application on banana bunches for getting higher yield.

Field Day
On 04.11.2019, KVK, Venkataramanangudem conducted Field Day on black gram variety, TBG-104 as part of the CFLD at Dommeru village, Kovvur mandal. Dr.B.Srinivasulu, Director of Extension, Dr.E.Karunasree, Principal Scientist & Head, Dr.V.Deepthi, Scientist (Agril. Extn.) and Sri G.Shali Raju, Scientist (Ento.) KVK, VR Gudem have participated. Later interacted with the farmers and collected the feedback from the farmers regarding the black gram variety TBG 104. Farmers expected 9-10 quintal per acre yield from this variety. Also visited an innovative progressive organic farmer field and interacted with the farmer regarding organic cultivation practices followed on his farm.
Diagnostic Visits

Dr. N. Emmanuel, ELP coordinator-Bee keeping, CoH, Venkataramannagudem organized an exposure visit to Honey bee Research Station, Vijayarai for the students. The ELP students were acquainted with latest bee keeping technologies of stingless bee production.

Dr. M. Kavitha, Scientist (Pl. Path.), CRS, Petlur attended Field diagnostic visit to acid lime orchards of Dakkili mandal on 13.11.2019 and observed that gardens were severely infested with canker \((Xanthomonas compestris PV citri)\) disease. Suggested to spray COC (3g/l) + Streptocycline (1g/10 l) two times at an interval of 20 days.

Dr. R. Nagaraju, Principal Scientist (Hort.) & Head, HRS, Anantharajupeta visited Chrysanthemum field at V. Kothapalli on 06.11.2019 and monitored the freshly planted chrysanthemum fields to discuss and motivate the farmers regarding artificial lighting arrangements in open fields during night to get higher yields for doubling the farmers income.

Dr. T. Nagalakshmi, Scientist (Pl. Path), HRS, Anantharajupeta visited farmers fields at Mukkavaripalle and Gollapalli villages of Kodur division and observed severe snail damage in Betelvine on 08.11.2019 and recommended the suitable control measures.

On 11.11.2019, diagnostic field visit to acid lime orchards of Gudur mandal was conducted by Dr. B. Govinda Rajulu, Principal Scientist & Head, KVK, Periyavaram, Dr. K. Uma Maheshwari, Scientist, (Hort.), CRS, Petlur and Ms. Y. Swarupa, RA, Entomology, KVK, Periyavaram. Thrips damage and flower and fruit drop was observed in majority of the gardens and suggested to spray fipronil @ 1.5ml/l of water for thrips management and planofix @ 1ml/4.5l of water to overcome flower and fruit drop.

Dr. V. Deepthi, Scientist (Agri. Extn.), KVK, Venkataramannagudem conducted diagnostic field visit in black gram crop as part of the CFLD at Kapavaram village of Kovvur mandal on 02.11.2019. and observed incidence of Spotted pod borer and sucking pests and suggested spraying of neem oil @ 5ml/l, chloripyripos @ 2.5ml/l and installation of yellow and blue sticky traps @ 20/acre.
On 07.11.2019, Sri.G.Shali Raju, Scientist (Ento.), and Dr.T.Vijaya Nirmala, Scientist (Vet Science), KVK, Venkataramannagudem conducted diagnostic visit to Vine vegetables (Ridge gourd, IVY gourd and bitter gourd) and maize fields. Observed infestation of fruit fly and sucking pests and suggested Fruit fly traps @ 10/ac against fruit fly and Installation of Yellow & blue sticky traps @ 20/ac against sucking pets. Later conducted method demonstration on Installation of fruit fly traps & sticky traps.

On 08.11.2019, Dr. B. Srinivasulu, Director of Extension and Dr. E. Karuna Sree, Principal Scientist & Head visited marigold demonstration plot at Amruthapuram village which was adopted to demonstrate with improved practices like Drip, mulch and fertigation schedule.

Dr. B. Srinivasulu, Director of Extension along with Dr. E. Karuna Sree, Principal Scientist & Head, Dr. K. Venkata Subbaiah, Scientist and Dr. A. Devivaraprasad Reddy, Scientist has visited the marigold field of at Amruthapuram and interacted on 08.11.2019. Mr. Vara Prasad, farmer dependent on paddy farming for the past 20 years and now converted to horticulture crops expressed that he is very happy with the horticulture crops. Dr. B. Srinivasulu, Director of Extension gave few suggestions to the farmer for betterment during the next season.

On 01.11.2019, Dr. V. Nagarjuna, Research Associate (Soil Science), KVK, Vonipenta visited paddy fields at Guntachepadu and Bheemunipadu villages of Chapadu mandal for diagnosis of pest and diseases. Identified the leaf folder and bacterial leaf blight in paddy and recommended the application of cartap hydrochloride @ 2 g/l against leaf folder and drain the excess water and application of potash at the time of panicle initiation stage for the control of BLB.

On 02.11.2019 Dr. V. Nagarjuna, Research Associate (Soil Science), KVK, Vonipenta visited papaya and paddy fields at Musalinayana palli and T. Kothapalli villages of Mydukur mandal. Identified zinc deficiency in papaya and suggested to spray zinc sulphate @ 2.0 g/l for correcting the deficiency and also identified the mosaic disease in tomato and suggested to spray dimethoate @ 2 ml/l for controlling the insect vector.

On 08.11.2019, Sri. G. Sandeep Naik, Scientist (Pl. Path.) & Head, KVK, Vonipenta visited sorghum and bengalgram fields for diagnosis of pests and diseases at Pullaiah satram village of Mydukur mandal along with Assistant Director of Agriculture, Agricultural Officer and BTM (ATMA) of Mydukur sub division. Observed the incidence of Fall Army Worm (FAW) in sorghum and dry root rot disease in bengalgram and suggested to spray emamectin benzoate @ 0.04% or thiodicarb @ 0.05% against FAW and suggested soil drenching with copper oxy chloride @ 0.3% followed by spraying of carbendazim @ 0.1% against dry root rot disease in bengalgram.
On 12.11.2019, Sri G. Sandeep Naik, Scientist (Pl. Path.) & Head and Dr.V. Yugandhar, Research Associate (Hort.), KVK, Vonipenta visited onion, maize and groundnut fields for diagnosis of pests and diseases at Madirepalli village of Duvvur mandal. Observed basal rot disease and iron deficiency in Onion, Fall Army Worm (FAW) in maize and root rot disease in groundnut and suggested to spray copper oxy chloride @ 0.3% or Metalaxy @ 0.25% against basal rot disease and ferrous sulphate @ 0.2% twice in 15 days for correcting iron deficiency in onion, spraying of Emamectin Benzoate @ 0.04% or thiodicarb @ 0.05% against FAW in maize and soil drenching with Hexaconazole @ 0.2% to control the spread of disease.

On 15.11.2019 Dr. V. Yugandhar, Research Associate (Hort.), KVK, Vonipenta visited banana fields for diagnosis of pests and diseases at Vonipenta village of Mydukur mandal. Observed sigatoka leaf spot infestation in banana fields and recommended spraying of chlorothalonil @ 0.2% or propiconazole @0.1%.

On 15.11.2019, Dr. V. Nagarjuna, Research Associate (Soil Science), KVK, Vonipenta visited cotton and black gram fields at Bhayanapalli and Kanugagudur villages of Duvvur mandal. Indentified the Mg deficiency in cotton (reddening of cotton) and leaf crinkle in black gram and suggested to spray MgSO₄ @ 10 g/l at 45 and 75 DAS in cotton and rouging the infested plants for controlling the virus transmission in black gram field.

On 15.11.2019, Sri G. Sandeep Naik, Scientist (Pl. Path.) & Head, KVK, Vonipenta visited turmeric fields for diagnosis of pests and diseases at Settyvaripalli village of Mydukur mandal. Observed rhizome rot disease in turmeric fields and suggested soil drenching with ridomil @ 3g/l to the disease infected and surrounding plants.

Ch.Ruth, Professor (Pl.Path), Smt G. Sarada, Asst.Prof (Ento.) and Dr.K. Arunodhayam, Asst.Prof (Pl. Path.), CoH, Anantharajupeta visited betelvine field in Chinaorampadu village of Obulavari palli mandal and observed flea beetle damage, heavy incidence of slugs and suggested suitable control measures.

Dr. K. Arunodhayam Asst.Prof (Pl. Path.), CoH, Anantharajupeta along with third year B.Sc. (Hons.) Horticulture students on 05.11.2019 visited farmers fields as a part of course curriculum. Different disease symptoms were observed in various crops viz., cucurbits, ash gourd, chilli, brinijal, tomoto, bhendi, jasmine and tuberose.

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**Tribal Sub Plan**

Dr. B. Srinivasulu, Director of Extension reviewed the TSP activities done by the KVK, Venakataramanannudem on 12.11.2019. In this program, Dr. E. Karuna sree, Principal Scientist & Head, Dr. A.Devivaraprasad Reddy, Scientist, Sri. G. Shali Raju, Scientist, Dr. V. Deepthi and Dr. T. Vijaya Nirmala has participated and explained the activities taken up by the KVK, VRGudem in the tribal villages. During this program, Dr. B. Srinivasulu, Director of Extension and Sri. Suryanaryana, Project Officer, ITDA has inaugurated the pulp making machinery under ARYA program and also visited the spices unit, millet-based biscuit making unit, Jute bag tailoring unit, bamboo hand craft making unit at ITDA premises, KR Puram. Also visited the integrated farming system (IFS) unit, semi-automatic poultry incubator, chilli demonstration plot, fodder plot at Pandugudem village, apiary unit at Kamaiahkunta village, Poultry enterprise at Puliramannagudem, Vegetables unit at Pandirimamidigudem.

**Visits**

The Quinquennial Review Team (QRT) chairman Dr. P. Retthinam, former ADG, ICAR and member Dr. G. Byju, Principal Scientist, Division of Crop Production, ICAR-CTCRI, Sreekariyam, Thiruvananthapuram visited HRS, Peddapuram and Kovvur on 13.11.2019 and the team was accompanied by Dr. R.V.S.K. Reddy, Director of Research. Dr. M. Janaki, Scientist (Hort.) & Head, HRS, Peddapuram has explained the progress of work done report of cassava and sweet potato for last five years and ongoing experiments under AICRP on Tuber Crops. Dr. K. Mamatha, Sr. Scientist (Hort.), Dr. K. Ravindra Kumar. Scientist (Hort.), HRS, Kovvur, D. Jagannatham, Dr. Koundinya, Scientists, CTCRI, Kerala and A. Pavani Priyanka, Technical Assistant, HRS, Peddapuram have also participated in this visit. The QRT, Chairman along with Director of Research and scientists have interacted with the sago factory owners and farmers.

As a part of DAESI programme, a group of farmers has visited Citrus Research station, Petlur on 12.11.2019 and the scientific staff from the CRS, Petlur briefed about the production, protection technologies and research activities in acid lime.

Farmers from Janagama Dist, Telangana visited HRS, Ananthapuramu on 14.11.2019. Dr. B. Srinivasulu, Principal Scientist (Hort.) & Head, Dr. P. Deepthi, Scientist (Pl. Path), Smt.B.Vimala Scientist (Hort.) HRS, Anantapuramu explained about the cultivation aspects of arid fruit crops and grafting techniques of tamarind.
Meetings
Dr. M. Janaki, Scientist (Hort.) & Head, HRS, Peddapuram and Dr.K.Mamatha, Sr.Scientist (Hort.), HRS, Kovvur attended QRT Review meeting on “AICRP on Tuber crops” held at SKLTSHU, Hyderabad on 11th November, 2019 and presented work done report of AICRP on tuber crops for the last five years (2014-15 to 2018-19) at HRS, Kovvur and HRS, Peddapuram.

Dr. P. Rama Devi, Senior Scientist (Pl. Path), HRS, Venkataramannagudem participated and presented a poster entitled “Diseases on medicinal and aromatic plants in North Coastal Region of Andhra Pradesh State” in International conference on “Crop Protection to Outsmart Climate Change for Food Security & Environmental Conservation” held at Hyderabad, Telangana, from 10th -13th November, 2019.

Dr. A. Devivaraprasad Reddy, Scientist (Fishery Science) attended one day workshop cum meeting for the stakeholders on “Aquatic Animal Disease and Health Management Bill, 2019” at Bhimavaram on 09.11.2019 conducted by the Department of Fisheries, Government of Andhra Pradesh and provided the inputs/suggestions/comments for the preparation of the bill.

Invitation
Dr. K. Sesha Kiran, Assistant Professor (Pl. Path.), CoH, Venkataramannagudem was invited by Indian Academy of Sciences, Bengaluru under ‘Teacher invitee’ category for the 85th Annual Meeting of Indian Academy of Sciences, Bengaluru held at University of Hyderabad from 8th-10th November, 2019.

Exhibitions
Scientists of Dr.YSRHU participated in Kisan Mela at RARS, Maruteru and arranged an exhibition stall depicting the improved varieties and production technologies of various horticultural crops. Sri Kurasala Kannanana garu, Hon’ble Minister Agriculture & Cooperation was the chief guest, Sri Cherukuvada Sriranganadha Raju garu, Hon’ble Minister for Housing and Sri Kottu Satyanarayana garu, Hon’ble MLA, Tadepalligudem were the guests of honour. Dr.B.Srinivasulu, Director of Extension and Dr.R.V.S.K.Reddy, Director of Research along with Dr.B.V.K.Bhagawan, Zonal Research Head, Coastal Zone-I have also participated in tKisan mela.

Phone-in-Live Programmes
Dr.K.CBhanumurthy, Scientist (Hort.), KVK, Pandirimmamidi attended Phone-in-Live programme on ‘Jeedi mamidi thotalalo melaina digubadulaku suchanalu’ at Doordarshan Kendra, Vijayawada on 07.11.2019.
Radio Programmes

Dr. T. Suseela, Associate professor (Hort.), CoH, Venkataramannagudem delivered a radio talk on “Chandini poola saagu (China Aster)” at All India Radio, Vijayawada on 05.11.2019.

Sri. G. Shali Raju, Scientist (Ento), KVK, Venkataramannagudem attended a recording on “Mirapa Pantalo Sasya Rakshana” at All India Radio, Vijayawada on 08.11.2019.

Dr. B. Peda Babu, Assistant Professor (SS & AC), CoH, Venkataramannagudem delivered a radio talk on “Effect of soil pollution on crops and human health.” at All India Radio, Vijayawada on 11.11.2019.