The growth of horticulture in Andhra Pradesh has been appreciable and the state ranks second in the country in horticulture production. Despite the commendable growth of horticulture sector, the per capita availability of fruits/vegetables in the state is below the recommendations of the nutritionists, particularly in the poverty driven dryland areas. This facts of concern assume greater significance in the era of climate change, dwindling water and other natural resources. There is need to double the horticultural production to ensure nutritional security to the burgeoning population. Countries like India are vulnerable for the impact of climate change in view of the huge population dependent on agriculture and excessive pressure on water resources. On the other hand, vast area under arid and semi-arid regions have remained largely untapped. In fact, they provide excellent conditions in terms of low humidity and high temperature which are conducive for disease free production of quality fruits/vegetables.

However, the developments in the dry regions often reflect the pervasiveness of poverty which is demonstrated by the growing constraints of water, land degradation, migration due to frequent droughts, continuing concerns of malnutrition, poor dissemination of improved technologies. The arid regions are mostly characterized by scanty/ erratic rainfall, intense radiation and high temperature and poor ground water reserves.

Since there is no scope for further area expansion under horticultural corps in fertile lands, the large areas of marginal lands in arid/semi-arid regions with little or no supplementary irrigation need to be focused. Further, the field crops are very sensitive to the abiotic stress experienced in arid regions and also they demand intensive cultivation involving high inputs. Thus, diversification to horticultural crops, particularly fruit crops in arid regions is the best option as they are adopted to a wide range of climate, produce higher bio-mass and more remunerative for replacing subsistence farming and thus can alleviate poverty and malnutrition in arid ecosystem. The perennial fruit trees are widely spaced, have deep and extensive root system, large canopy to harvest natural resources better, and appear to be future hope for sustainable production.

Identification of crops/varieties with drought adaptive features such as deep root system (ber, jamun, mango, beal), summer dormancy (ber), high bound water in tissues (Fig, cactus), leaf surface having sunken stomata , thick cuticles, wax coating, pubescence (ber, fig, phalsa, cashew), reduced leaf size (amla, tamarind), selective abscission (Phalsa), infra-petiolar buds (custard apple), crops in which flowering and fruiting is synchronous with monsoon (Ber) and short duration varieties which complete their life cycle during monsoon is the key for success of dry land horticulture. In this context, development of new genotypes with stress tolerance, intensifying research on marker aided selection for biotic and abiotic stress tolerance, development of hot set varieties, exploring opportunities for restoration of soil health and efficient forecast and forewarning systems to plan contingencies assume greater significance.

Watershed approach for resource improvement and utilization, rain water management, alternate land use system (Agri-horticultural/Horti-pastoral system), designing of efficient tools and implements for dry regions should be emphasized. The salinity problem can be addressed through identification tolerant varieties/crops, development of resistant or tolerant rootstocks, micro-site reclamation etc., while micro-catchments would facilitate better harvesting of natural precipitation. Evolving new agronomic strategies to enhance water and input use efficiency would play a crucial role in achieving targeted production.

Research on standardization of IPM/IDM technologies, water/nutrient management, use of mulches, anti-transpirants, etc. can pave the way for minimizing risks in dry land crop production. The medicinal and aromatic crops like Aloe vera, senna, catharanthus which are stress tolerant and reported to accumulate higher alkaloid content under water stress need to be explored and exploited by introducing them as a part of the cropping system as an under crop/ inter crop.

Realizing the challenges involved, the state government also has to take initiatives such as supply of inputs, micro-irrigation systems, incentives for encouraging micro catchments and watershed management for ensuring sustainable production.

The development of dry land horticulture requires synergy among the technologies, input supplies, marketing system, credit policies and the institutions. Hence, dedicated efforts of researchers/extension workers and all other stake holders are required in development and dissemination of technologies so that they can be translated on the farmers’ field for optimum utilization of scarce resources such as water and nutrients in arid areas.

(B.M.C. Reddy)
Vice-Chancellor
ZREAC Meeting of Rayalaseema Zone was conducted at Auditorium, Sri Venkateswara Veterinary University Campus, Tirupati on 26.04.2014. Conducted ZREAC meeting of Coastal Zone at Seminar Hall, CTRI, Rajahmundry on 29.04.2014 and for Telangana Zone at Seminar Hall, Auditorium ANGRAU, Rajendranagar, Hyderabad on 02.05.2014. The technical programmes of all the Research Stations and Krishi Vigyan Kendras in the Zone were discussed and identified research and extension gaps raised by the farmers, departments and officers.

Dr. G. Srihari, Director of Extension has participated in the Annual Action Plan and Review Meeting of KVKs of A.P. at EEI, ANGRAU, Rajendranagar, Hyderabad from 2nd to 4th May, 2014 and reviewed the work done and Action Plan of the three Krishi Vigyan Kendra’s of Dr. Y.S.R. Horticultural University.

13th Academic Council Meeting was organised at International Guest House, Dr. YSRHU, V.R. Gudem on 18.05.2014 under the chairmanship of Dr. B. M. C. Reddy, Hon’ble Vice Chancellor.

ICAR Peer Review Team under the chairmanship of Dr. N. C. Gautam, Hon’ble Vice Chancellor, Mahatma Gandhi Chitrakoot Gramodaya University, Chitrakoot, Satna, M.P. has visited Dr. YSR Horticultural University and its four constituent colleges from 28th May to 31st May, 2014 for granting accreditation to the University and its four constituent colleges.

Interaction of ICAR Peer Review Team with Dr. B. M. C. Reddy, Hon’ble Vice Chancellor and Dr. M. Pratap, Dean of Horticulture and other University Officers, Dr. YSRHU

Interaction of ICAR Peer Review Team with students

6th Board of Faculty Meetings for UG & PG Studies was organised at International Guest House, Dr. YSRHU, V.R. Gudem on 16.05.2014

Interaction of ICAR Peer Review Team with students
EDUCATION

College of Horticulture, Mojerla

Dr.B.M.C. Reddy, Hon’ble Vice-Chancellor of Dr.Y.S.R.HU visited the College of Horticulture, Mojerla on 10th May 2014 and inaugurated the College arch at the entrance of the college, Basket ball court and GYM room. Hon’ble Vice-Chancellor also visited all the laboratories, hostels, field and planted a sapota sapling in the college premises.

Hon’ble Vice-Chancellor chairing as the chief guest of the college day celebrations at College of Horticulture, Mojerla. The college day celebration was presided by the Dean of Horticulture, Dr. M. Pratap, Dr.YSRHU. After lightening the lamp by the dignitaries on the dais, college magazine i.e. Udyan 2014 was released by the Chief Guest Dr.B.M.C. Reddy, Vice-chancellor, Dr.Y.S.R.HU.
Honorable Vice-Chancellor presented Gold medals and Mementoes to the meritorious students of the college and winners of the various sports, games, cultural and literary events conducted on the occasion of College day.

ICAR accreditation team visited the college on 30.05.2014 and the team interacted with staff and students of the college. Later they visited all the laboratories, field and hostels of the college.

**College of Horticulture, Rajendranagar**

Dr. B.M.C. Reddy, Hon’ble Vice-Chancellor inaugurating the Basket Ball Court at College of Horticulture, Rajendranagar.

Dr. K. Vanajalatha, DSA participated in Dr. B.R. Ambedkar’s 123rd Birth Centenary Celebration celebrated by NSS Unit-I in the college auditorium on 14-04-2014.

The Annual Day Celebration of the college was held on 12th May, 2014 in the Auditorium of College of Horticulture, Rajendranagar.
Sri T. Hemadri final year student singing prayer song on the occasion of 7th college day celebrations at HCRI, Anantharajupeta on 25-04-2014

PRT expert team visited the fields of HRS and HCRI on the occasion of their inspection visit at HCRI, ARPeta on 28th May 2014 and the Associate Dean and All the Staff and students welcomed the peer Review Team as shown here under.

Dr. B.M.C. Reddy, Honourable Vice Chancellor, Dr. Y.S.R. Horticultural University, explaining the PRT expert committee about the activities of the University on 28-05-2014.

Visiting Exhibition of fruits, Vegetables and Flowers displayed at HCRI, ARPeta on the occasion of their visit on 28-05-2014.

HCRI, V.R. Gudem celebrated Babu Jagjeevan Ram jayanthi on 5th April, 2014

College day for the year 2013-14 was conducted on 25th April 2014 in which Hon’ble Vice-Chancellor along with the university officers participated the function.

HCRI, V.R. Gudem celebrated Dr. B. R Ambedkar jayanthi on 14th April, 2014

Felicitation to the bronze medal winners in XXV All India Inter Agri-university sports & games meet-2013 held at Assam Agricultural University, Zorhart in College day celebrations.
Dr. K. Vanajalatha, Dean of Students Affairs, Dr. YSRHU presented prizes and medals to the students participated in 3rd inter collegiate sports, games, cultural, literary events meet 2014 at Horticultural Polytechnic, Adilabad.

SKPP Horticultural Polytechnic, Ramachandrapuram
Horticultural Polytechnic, Adilabad

Conquered overall Championship in 3rd Inter collegiate sports, games, cultural, literary events meet 2014 at Horticultural Polytechnic, Adilabad by SKPP Horticulture Polytechnic, Ramachandrapuram.

Horticultural Polytechnic, Adilabad

Students won prizes in the 3rd State level Inter collegiate sports, games cultural and literary meet conducted at Adilabad from 9th – 11th April, 2014.

Horticultural Polytechnic, Ramagirikhilla

Students have participated in the 3rd State level Inter collegiate sports, games cultural and literary meet conducted at Adilabad from 9th – 11th April, 2014 and stood first in Cultural and Literary Events.

SSPG Horticultural Polytechnic, Madakasira

Students participated in the 3rd State level Inter collegiate sports, games cultural and literary meet conducted at Adilabad from 9th – 11th April, 2014 and won prizes.

Horticultural Polytechnic, Kalikiri

Dr. C. N. Byanna, Vice-Principal, attended 3rd Inter Collegiate Sports, Games and cultural meet held at Horticulture Polytechnic, Adilabad from 9-4-2014 to 11-4-2014. Students of this college won 15 prizes.

Horticultural Polytechnic, Ramagirikhilla

Students of 1st year visited Galla Foods Pvt. Ltd., Puthalapattu, Chittoor District and Srini Food Park, Bangarupalem, Chittoor (biggest processing factory in India) on 18-06-2014 as part of their curriculum.
**Horticultural College & Research Institute, Anantharajupeta**

**TUBEROSE:** Among nine single flower type tuberose cultivars, number of florets per spike were maximum in GKTC-4 (31.87) which was on par with Hyderabad Single (31.47), Prajwal (30.93), Sikkim Selection (30.67), Rajith Rekha (29.33) and Sringar (29.00). In Rajith rekha (2.59) and Calcutta Single (2.51) maximum number of flower spikes per plant were recorded maximum yield per plant was recorded in Rajith Rekha (79.94 g) followed by Calcutta single (59.62g), whereas lowest yields per plant were recorded in Sikkim Selection (23.75 g) which took maximum number of days to flower initiation (115 days) compared to all other cultivars. Individual florets characters viz., maximum floret length (58.31 mm), floret diameter (7.64 mm) and floret weight (1.67 g) were recorded in Prajwal.

Among four double flower type tuberose cultivars, maximum number of spikes per plant (1.19), spike length (79.3 cm) and rachis length were observed in Hyderabad Double, whereas no. of florets per spike was maximum in Sikkim double (46.0).

**MUSKMELON:** 11 local collections of muskmelon from kadapa district, 25 accessions from NBPGRI, Jodhpur and IIHR, Bangalore and 6 private hybrids were evaluated. Among the local collections and accessions from public institutes, the number of fruits per vine ranged from 2.92 (IC321328) to 14.32 (Arka Jeet), yield per vine varied from 1.93 kg (IC321343) to 16.14 kg (IC321327), average fruit weight ranged from 2370g (Arka jeet) to 2350 g (IC321327), Cavity diameter varied from 25.89 mm (IC321338) to 100.52 mm (Sharbath-e-nar), TSS ranged from 2.00 0Brix (IC321367) to 11.46 0Brix (Arka Jeet) and pulp thickness ranged from 15.14 mm (Arka jeet) to 42.22 mm (Sharbath-e-nar). All the accessions are having low storage ability.

Among the hybrids evaluated, number of fruits per vine varied from 4.26 (Amul -9) to 11.80 (Bobby), yield per vine ranged from 3.20 kg (Amul-9) to 10.15 kg (Muskan), average fruit weight varied from 751.3 (Amul-9) to 2301.9 (Muskan), cavity diameter ranged from 50.70 mm (Bobby) to 84.87 mm (NMMH-24), TSS ranged from 6.70 0Brix (NMMH-24) to 14.80 0Brix (Bobby), pulp thickness varied from 32.53 mm (NMMH-24) to 54.83 mm (Kundan). Among them Bobby, Kundan and Muskan are having high storage ability.

**DRUMSTICK:** Among the annual drumstick cultivars observed, early flowering was observed in PKM-1 (118 days after planting), whereas Bhaghya (KDM-1) took 173 days to flowering from planting. The pod length (75.88 cm), girth (20.58 mm), individual pod weight (146.68 g) and no. of seeds per pod (7.1) were high in PKM-2, whereas maximum TSS was observed in PKM-1. From the yield data collected up to June, drumstick cv. PKM-1 recorded maximum pod yield of 464.57 Kg/125Sq.m followed by cv. PKM-2 (394.62Kg/125Sq.m). Whereas lowest pod yield was recorded in cv. Bhaghya (209.600 Kg/125Sq.m).

Incidence of thrips, borer & fruit fly were observed in all the varieties & plant protection measures were taken up.

**Horticultural Research Station, Lam**

A high yielding chilli variety LCA 620 developed at HRS, Lam was identified as a national variety suitable for growing in Vth agro climatic zone during XXXII annual group meeting of AICRP on Vegetable Crops held at IGKV, Raipur from 24th to 27th June, 2014.

**Salient features of LCA 620**

- Bold (3.5 - 4cm) and medium long pod (8-9cm)
- Excellent dry pod colour (50-55 ASTA), and medium pungency (22000-25000 SHU)
- Moderately tolerant to fruit rot and thrips under field conditions
- Recorded 20% higher yield over leading local check variety LCA 334
- 6500-6800 kg/ha dry yield potential

**Floricultural Research Station, Rajendranagar**

Two species Kentucky blue grass and Rye grass are suitable for cold conditions, while Doob grass more suitable to Hyderabad conditions followed by Korean grass.

Among the six genotypes of gladiolus evaluated, the variety IIHR-G-12 recorded maximum spike length (81.9 cm), Rachis length (33.3 cm), No. of florets/Spike (11.4), No. of cormels/plant (5.1), weight of cormels/plant (4.9 g) and diameter of cormels (16.3 mm) over chick variety White prosperity.

The pulsing of cut carnation flowers in the solution of sucrose 10% + 8 HQC 300ppm + BA 15 ppm for 8hr enhanced flower diameter and prolonged the vase life.
Horticultural College & Research Institute, Anantharajupeta

CSS-NHM-Frontline Demonstration on organic farming in turmeric:

Farmer (Balireddypalli village, Obularvaripalli (M)) experienced the quality of the turmeric rhizomes based on the internal colour development was good in organic farming. After processing the dry turmeric recovery was good in organic farming compared to conventional farming methods. During marketing of the dry rhizomes, he got better price for the organic turmeric (Rs.5432/q) compared to conventionally (Rs.5090/q) grown turmeric.

MAPRS, Rajendranagar

Dr.T.Susila, Senior Scientist (Hort.) inspected Sri Shiridi Sai Nursery at Ibrahimpatnam, Rangareddy District as a member of Technical team for procurement of plant material from private nurseries by Commissioner, Rural Development, A.P. on 12-5-2014.

KVK, Venkataramannagudem

Dr.E.Karunasree, Programme Co-ordinator, visited on Terrace Kitchen Garden maintained at Tanuku and discussed about seasonal calendar for Kitchen garden in containers with ADA, Tanuku on 19-4-2014.

Dr.E.Karunasree, Programme Co-ordinator and S.Vishala, RA (Hort.) conducted demonstration on installation of Pheromone traps in Brinjal field for the control of fruit borer and yellow sticky tapes for white flies in Telikicherla and Chodavaram villages on 6th May, 2014.

Dr.E.Karunasree, Programme Co-ordinator and S.Vishala, RA (Hort.) conducted field diagnostic visit on Oil Palm field at Telikicherla village and suggested for soil sample collection and analysis on 28th May, 2014.

Dr.E.Karunasree, Programme Co-ordinator and S.Vishala, RA (Hort.) conducted field diagnostic visit on Oil Palm field at Chodavaram village and suggested for inter crops in 2 years old orchards on 17th June, 2014.

On 24.06.2014 KVK technical team conducted PRA exercise in Yerramalla village H/o Nachugunta identified the village resources, cropping pattern, problems associated with crops i.e. Paddy, Sugarcane and Oil Palm to prepare the technological interventions for the newly adopted villages.

KVK, Pandirimamidi

Integrated pest and disease management in Brinjal

Dr.A.Srinivas, Programme Coordinator and Subject Matter Specialists visited the Brinjal nurseries in Irlapalli and Musurumilli villages and suggested the Soil drenching with COC @ 3g/lt at 15 days interval to control the damping off disease on 03.06.2014.
Introduction of Azolla cultivation:

Dr. A. Srinivas, Programme Coordinator distributed Azolla culture to selected tribal farmers of I. Polavaram village of Rampachodavaram mandal on 21.04.2014.

Sri V. Govardhan Rao, SMS (Plant Pathology) visited the Cashew plantations in Goragommi village of Gangavaram mandal and demonstrated the sprayings to control the Teamosquito bug and inflorescence blight on 01.04.2014.

Sri V. Govardhan Rao, SMS (Plant Pathology), Sri B. Bhaskar Rao, SMS (Horticulture) visited the Brinjal field in Rajampalem village of Gangavaram mandal and observed fruit and shoot borer in the field, suggested removal of infected parts and advised to spraying of Prophenophos @ 1ml/lt. on 21.04.2014.

Vegetable Research Station, Rajendranagar

All staff of VRS, Rajendranagar celebrated Telangana Formation Day on 2nd June, 2014 and Head of the Station has hoisted the National Flag.

Post Harvest Technology Research Station, Venkataramannagudem

Release of bilingual bulletin on “Information on Integrated Pack House cum cold Storage unit” by Project Director, ATMA of East Godavari district on ZREAC Meeting of Coastal Zone held at CTRI, Rajahmundry which is prepared by Dr. B. Prasanna Kumar, Principal Scientist (Hort) & Head PHTRS, Vrgudem on 29-4-2014.

Horticultural Research Station, Aswaraopet

Sri M. Hanuman Naik, Scientist (H) & Head along with National Horticulture Board team members consisting of Dr. Chenan, Rtd. Professor and Dr. Agarwal, Deputy Director of Horticulture has visited the Nurseries in Khammam district viz., Mango Nurseries at Garimellapadu, Kothagudem on 6-5-2014, Achutapuram on 7-5-2014 and Coconut seed garden at Aswaraopet on 7-5-2014.

KVK, Venkataramannagudem

Dr. E. Karunasree, Programme Co-ordinator conducted Inter State Exposure visit and training programme on “Post Harvest Technology of Cocoa” at CTRI, Mannuthy, KAU, Thrissur from 06th to 14th June, 2014 along with 20 farmers (10 Men and Women) with the Collaboration of ATMA, W. Godavari District.
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

PROGRAMMES CONDUCTED

Horticultural College & Research Institute, Venkataramannagudem

Field visits were conducted to the B.Sc. (Hort.) II year students to Banana Research station, Kovvur and farmers fields in Telikacharla village as exposure visits as well as for conducting practical classes for the respective courses.

Floricultural Research Station, Rajendranagar

Interaction meeting with District Officials i.e., LDM, Project Director, ATMA, ADH of West Godavari District with the farmers participated in Interstate Exposure visit on Post Harvest Technology of Cocoa conducted by Dr.E.Karunasree, Programme Co-ordinator from 6th to 14th June, 2014.

Horticultural Research Station, Ambajipeta

Conducted two farmers training programmes on 9th and 10th June 2014 on “Improved production technology of loose flowers” and “Protected cultivation of cut flowers” respectively of Chevella Mandal.

Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Pandirimmamidi

Conducted on campus training programme on “Importance of Soil and Water quality analysis and interpretation of results” on 10-6-2014.

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Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Venkataramannagudem

Sri Ch. Kiran Kumar, SMS (SSAC) conducted on campus training programme on “Importance of Soil and Water quality analysis and interpretation of results” on 10-6-2014.
Sri Ch. Chinnabai, Technical Officer (Ento.) has participated the 21 days training programme on “Production Protocol of Bio-agents and Quality analysis and Quality management of Bio-Pesticides” from 23-5-2014 to 12-6-2014 at NIPHM, Rajendranagar, Hyderabad.

Sri M. Satti Raju, Vice-Principal has participated the 8 days training programme on “Safe and Judicious use of Pesticides” from 17-6-2014 to 24-6-2014 at NIPHM, Rajendranagar, Hyderabad.

Dr. M. Ramakrishna, Principal attended Rythu Avagahana Sadassu on Boppaya sagulo melakuvalu organized by Department of Horticulture under RKY at Boxanapalli, Roddham mandal, Anantapur District as a Resource Person on 21-6-2014.

Dr. M. Ramakrishna, Principal attended Rythu Avagahana Sadassu on Mango sagulo melakuvalu organized by Department of Horticulture under RKY at S. Cherlapalli, Leapakshi mandal, Anantapur District as a Resource Person on 26-6-2014.

Dr. L. Naram Naidu, Principal Scientist (Hort) attended the 8th Annual Review meeting of the National Horticulture Mission programmes implemented through the Directorate of Arecanut and Spices Development, was held on 24th and 25th of June 2014 at the College of Horticulture, Kerala Agricultural University, Thrissur, Kerala.

Dr. E. Karunasree, Programme Co-ordinator participated as resource person in training programme on “Terrace Kitchen Garden” with collaboration of ATMA in Mukkamala village on 15-5-2014.

Dr. E. Karunasree, Programme Co-ordinator and S. Vishala, RA (Hort.) participated as resource persons in training programme on “Cashew” with collaboration of People’s Action for Rural Development (PARD), T. Gangannagudem village in Jeelugumilli mandal on 18th May, 2014.

Dr. E. Karunasree, Programme Co-ordinator and S. Vishala, RA (Hort.) participated in training programme on “Paddy” organized by RARS, Marteru at Doramamidi village of Buttaiah Gudem mandal on 18th May, 2014.
**LECTURES DELIVERED**

Post Harvest Technology Research Station, Venkataramannagudem

Dr. B. Prasanna Kumar, Principal Scientist (Hort) & Head, PHTRS, V.R. Gudem explained the various components of Integrated Pack house cum cold storage unit, its functioning and importance in the horticulture to the B.Sc., (Ag.) Students of Agricultural College, Rajahmundry on 28-6-2014.

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**PERSONNEL**

**HONOURS & AWARDS**

AICRP Tuber Crops, Dr.YSRHU, Venkataramannagudem / Rajendranagar / Kovvur received Best centre award of 2014 at XIV Annual Group Meeting of Tuber Crops held at 20th to 22th at BIRSA Agril. University, Ranchi

Dr.P.Madhavi Latha, Scientist (Agro.) received Best Poster Presentation in Production of vegetables at National Symposium on “Precision Horticulture for small and marginal farmer” held at IGKV, Raipur.

**SUPERANNUATION**

Sri. T. Yesupadam, Driver, HRS, Vijayarai had retired from his service on attaining the age of superannuation on 30-04-2014

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