



## Training cum Awareness programme on PPV&FR Act, 2001 organized at BAU, Ranchi on 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2023



A Training cum Awareness Programme on “Protection of Plant Varieties and Farmers’ Right Act 2001” was organized jointly by Birsa Agricultural University, Ranchi and Protection of Plant Varieties and Farmers’ Right Authority, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Govt. of India on 31-07-2023 in the Auditorium of College of Agriculture, Birsa Agricultural University, Ranchi for the farmers, students, faculty members and other stakeholders. Dr.



Trilochan Mohapatra, Chairperson, PPVFRA, Former Secretary, Agricultural Research and Education & Director General, ICAR, New Delhi graced the occasion along with the Chief Guest Dr. Mary Neelima Karketta, I.A.S. (Retired), Chairman, Jharkhand Public Service Commission, Jharkhand; Special Guest Dr. Dinesh Kumar Saxena, IFS, Additional Chief Conservator of Forest, Government of Jharkhand; Guest of Honour Dr. O.N. Singh, Vice Chancellor, Birsa Agricultural



University, Ranchi; Convener Dr. S. Karmakar, DSF, BAU, Ranchi; Dr. Sujay Rakshit, Director, ICAR- IIAB, Ranchi; Dr. Abhijit Kar, Director, National Institute of Secondary Agriculture, Ranchi; Dr. Vishal Nath, OSD, ICAR- IARI, Jharkhand; Dr. A.K. Singh, Head, ICAR- Research Centre, Plandu; Dr. Nimai Prasad Mandal, Principal Scientist, NRRI, Centre, Hazaribagh; Dr. Shashi Bhushan Chaudhary, Officer In-charge, NBPGR, Ranchi; Deans and Directors, Registrars

and Professors of BAU, Ranchi; KVK Heads/Scientists; students of different colleges and farmers from different areas of the Ranchi and adjacent districts of the state.

Dr. O.N. Singh, Vice Chancellor, Birsa Agricultural University, Ranchi, welcomed the dignitaries, all the participants including scientists, farmers, students and other stakeholders. He urged the farmers for submitting application for registration of their varieties so that ownership of variety is granted to them.



Special Guest Dr. Dinesh Kumar Saxena, Additional Chief Conservator of Forest, Government of Jharkhand addressed the gathering and briefed that Protection of Plant Varieties and Farmers' Rights Act, 2001 empowers plant breeders and farmers to register their plant varieties for their ownership of plant varieties for intellectual property protection. He also quoted the decision of revocation of Potato Varieties of Pepsico registered with PPVFRA.



Chief Guest Dr. Mary Neelima Karketta, I.A.S. (Retired), Chairman, Jharkhand Public Service Commission, Jharkhand explained that the objective of the Protection of Plant Varieties and Farmers' Rights Act, 2001 is to encourage both the farmer and the plant breeders to come forward for breeding varieties different from the existing varieties that match the expectations and objectives of the farmers and that the intellectual property so created needs to be protected in order to benefit farmers as well as plant breeders.



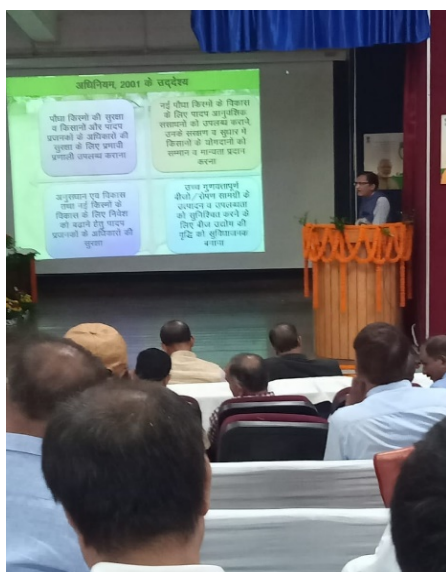
Dr. Trilochan Mohapatra, Chairperson, PPVFRA

and Former Secretary, DARE and Director General, ICAR, New Delhi in his presidential remark discussed briefly about the rights of farmers and plant breeders. He described about the functioning of authority, registration criteria, honours and awards etc. He highlighted the importance of registration of traditional farmer varieties having climate resilience with PPVFRA. He emphasized that KVK should play an important role for protection of Intellectual Property Rights and progress in this field in



Jharkhand. He highlighted the care of Jackfruit variety "Siddu" and how it has benefited the farmer from Karnataka who got the variety registered with PPVFRA.

In the technical session, Sri Umakant Dubey, Deputy Registrar, PPVFRA presented an overview of the PPVFR Act, 2001 for the benefit of the farmers, scientists and students. He described various provisions in the PPVFR Act, 2001, which protects the rights of the plant breeders as well as the farmers. He informed that 5285 registration certificates have been issued till date, about 40% of these issued to farmers. He discussed various aspects of farmers' rights explained the major steps in variety registration with PPVFRA for grant of protection.



During the interaction session, the following points for action were raised:

1. Dr. Ashok Kumar, PC, KVK Garhwa requested that once seeds are supplied along with the application there should not be any further seed request from the Authority, that the after a long time interval since submission of application.
2. Dr. Vinod Kumar Pandey, SMS, KVK, Chhatra requested that fund for conducting T&A in future in order to create large scale awareness among the stakeholders. He also wanted training material to be made available by the Authority.
3. Dr. Arvind Mishra, KVK Latehar informed that training of the staff available at KVK is must for successful conduct of farmers training on PPVFR Act, 2001.
4. Dr. Neha Rajan, KVK, Ranchi informed that she has facilitated submission of 150 applications for registration of which 40 certificates have been granted. She requested for speedy action on the pending applications for registration.
5. Shri Kapil Dev Thakur, farmer from Palamu requested for the registration of medicinal plant variety that he has been maintaining.
6. Shri Brijesh Kumar Tiwari, farmer from Garhwa, requested that for supply of planting material along with the application needs to be strengthened. A mechanism needs to be created so that farmers do not have to travel long distances.
7. Shri Rishi Tiwari, farmer of Garhwa informed about the problems of scarcity of rain for growing rice crop. Dr. Nimai Mandal, NRRI Centre, Hazaribagh informed that direct seeding of known tolerant varieties is one of the available and viable options that the farmers need to adopt.
8. Dr. Alisma Thapa, KVK, Lohardagha informed that there were instances of seeds being asked a few times. It was agreed that this should not happen in future.
9. Dr. Manigopa, Professor, Department of Genetics and Plant Breeding, BAU, Ranchi submitted that it should be possible to deposit annual fee for the first six years for Extant Varieties. At one go in the beginning at the time of application

The above mentioned issues were discussed in detail for appropriate action. The meeting ended with the vote of thanks to all present.





## किसानों की बौद्धिक संपदा की रक्षा में केवीके की अहम भूमिका



बीएचएम में किसान अधिकार संरक्षण विषय पर पुस्तिका का विमोचन करते अतिथिगण।

### बोले महापात्रा

रांची, प्रमुख संवाददाता। पौधा किस्य एवं कृषक अधिकार संरक्षण प्राधिकरण (पीपीवी एंड एफआरए) नई दिल्ली और बिरसा कृषि विश्वविद्यालय (बीएचएम) द्वारा सोमवार को प्रशिक्षण कार्यक्रम हुआ। इसकी अध्यक्षता करते हुए पीपीवी एंड एफआरए अध्यक्ष व आईसीएआर के पूर्व महानिदेशक डॉ त्रिलोचन महापात्रा ने कहा कि झारखंड में इस अभियान को बढ़ाने व किसानों की बौद्धिक संपदा की रक्षा करने में कृषक अधिकार संरक्षण विषयक पुस्तिका का विमोचन भी हुआ।

भूमिका होगी। वहीं, जेपीएससी की अध्यक्ष डॉ मैरी नीलिमा केरकेट्टा ने कहा कि बदलते कृषि परिवेश में किसानों, कृषि विशेषज्ञों को जागरूक रहने की जरूरत है। डॉ डोके सक्सेना, अपर प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक, झारखंड ने कहा कि किसानों को बाजार के भरोसे नहीं छोड़ा जा सकता है। पुस्तिका का किया गया विमोचन: बीएचएम के कुलपति डॉ ओकरनाथ सिंह बोले, सीमित मानव बल के बावजूद बीज उत्पादन में बीएचएम के आंतरिक स्रोत में दोगुना बढ़ोतरी हुई है। मीके पर कृषक अधिकार संरक्षण विषयक पुस्तिका का विमोचन भी हुआ।



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रांची, 11 अक्टूबर (आईएनए)। पौधा किस्य एवं कृषक अधिकार संरक्षण प्राधिकरण (पीपीवी एंड एफआरए) नई दिल्ली और बिरसा कृषि विश्वविद्यालय (बीएचएम) द्वारा सोमवार को प्रशिक्षण कार्यक्रम हुआ। इसकी अध्यक्षता करते हुए पीपीवी एंड एफआरए अध्यक्ष व आईसीएआर के पूर्व महानिदेशक डॉ त्रिलोचन महापात्रा ने कहा कि झारखंड में इस अभियान को बढ़ाने व किसानों की बौद्धिक संपदा की रक्षा करने में कृषक अधिकार संरक्षण विषयक पुस्तिका का विमोचन भी हुआ।

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