

Report on Celebration of 'National Productivity Week-2017' at ICAR-Indian Institute of Water Management, Bhubaneswar

National Productivity Week has been celebrated at ICAR-Indian Institute of Water Management, Bhubaneswar from 12-18th February, 2017 with the theme "From Waste to Profits Through Reduce, Recycle and Reuse". Various activities were organized at institute level to sensitize people to work in the theme. The week long activities have been mentioned below



1. Training program at research farm, Mendhasal, Khorda

One-day training program was organized at our research farm, Mendhasal on the theme "From Waste to Profits Through Reduce, Recycle and Reuse" for various stakeholders on 15th February, 2017. Fifty participants comprising technical officers, field supervisors, field assistants and farm labourers were sensitized regarding the importance of the topic and training were given to them regarding ways and means to convert farm waste to profits through compost making after removing the non-biodegradable materials. Non-biodegradable materials to be kept separately for sending them to recycling unit. Dr. Mukesh Kumar Sinha, Principal Scientist (Agril. Econ.), Dr. Pramod Kumar Panda, Principal Scientist (Agronomy) and Dr. (Mrs.) Rachana Dubey, Scientist (Environmental Sciences) imparted the training and coordinated the programme.



2. Sensitization program at Saraswati Sishu Vidya Mandir, Niladri Vihar, Bhubaneswar

One sensitization and awareness program was organized at Saraswati Sishu Vidya Mandir, Niladri Vihar, Bhubaneswar on 16th February, 2017 in the theme 'From Waste to Profits Through Reduce, Recycle and Reuse'. Around six hundred students, teachers and other supporting staffs took part in the program and they were made aware about the importance of waste in making profits. One speech competition was also organized for the students where 1st, 2nd and 3rd prize winners were announced and they were awarded with prizes and certificates. Dr. Mukesh Kumar Sinha, Dr. Pramod Kumar Panda and Dr. (Mrs.) Rachana Dubey coordinated the programme.



3. Sensitization program and speech competition at ICAR-IIWM, Bhubaneswar

One sensitization program was organized at our institute on 17th February, 2017 for scientists, technical officers, research associates and research fellows for feeling the importance of theme and to work together towards achieving the objective of this celebration. One speech competition was also organized among the staff members regarding innovative and effective ways of making profits from waste by means of 3R's (reduce, recycle and reuse). First, second and third prize winners were announced and they were awarded with prizes and certificates in the valedictory function. Dr. Mukesh Kumar Sinha, Dr. Pramod Kumar Panda and Dr. (Mrs.) Rachana Dubey coordinated the program.



Valedictory function of National Productivity Week, 2017

The valedictory function of National Productivity Week celebration was organized in the institute on 18th February, 2017 under the chairmanship of institute director Dr. S. K. Ambast. Dr. P. K. Panda welcomed the guests and briefed the audience regarding the objectives for celebration and activities undertaken by the institute in this direction. Dr. A. Mishra, Principal Scientist and Programme Leader, ground water management described in detail about the methodology for generating profit from solid-waste management by reduce, recycle, reuse and recovery concept. Dr. M. Das, Principal Scientist and Program Leader Technology Transfer described the methodology for waste water treatment for beneficial application in agriculture. Certificates and cash prizes were distributed to the winners of the speech competition by the chief guest Dr. S K. Ambast. He highlighted the importance of the theme in making Swachh Bharat and income generation from waste. He urged the people to segregate the bio-degradable waste from non-biodegradable items at the source level for their separate uses. He also mentioned that civic bodies, municipal corporations etc. should provide separate containers for two types of waste materials. He spoke about various types of compost, vermi-compost and types of microbes for their quick decomposition. Dr. Ambast urged all the staffs to work in mission mode so that we can make our environment clean along with generating income from the waste materials for which our general perception is that these waste have zero economic values. Dr. P.K. Panda and Dr. Rachana Dubey coordinated the program. The function ended with formal vote of thanks by Dr. Rachana Dubey.

