

Deputy Director General (Education), ICAR, New Delhi visits RAU Pusa

Dr. Arvind Kumar, Deputy Director General (Education), ICAR, New Delhi visited RAU, Pusa on 20.09.2012. He laid down the foundation stone of Boys Hostel and inaugurated a newly built Reading Room in University Library. He visited Pusa Farm, KVK Birauli, and Tirhut College of Agriculture, Seed Production Programme and College of Fisheries at Dholi. During visit to Pusa Farm, he suggested to generate validated data in SRI demonstration trials of rice and for fish culture demonstration near Integrated Farming System model. During interaction with students at TCA, Dholi, he informed that ICAR has submitted a proposal to Government of India for enhancing stipend during RAWE programme.

DDG (Edn.) addressed the scientists/ teachers in the Conference Hall of Sanchar Kendra. Dr. R.K. Mittal, Vice-Chancellor, RAU welcomed DDG (Edn.) and briefed about the on-going activities of the University. During the address, Dr. Kumar emphasized the following :

- The productivity level of crops be enhanced in Eastern India to bring a second green revolution from this part of the country.
- The existing strength of human resource should be utilized for over all development of Bihar and a Bihar Model be prepared for agricultural education quality and reforms for emulation in the whole country.
- New technologies be developed and the measures to reduce technological gaps should be worked out.
- Zonal agricultural research and the input delivery system be strengthened. The quality inputs be provided and regional biodiversity maintained.
- Communication skills of faculty members and students need be improved and leadership quality be developed.

Besides, he advised for integration of all available technologies like INM, IDM, IPM, water management to address the location specific issues and adopt integrated farming system approach utilizing the existing water bodies for enhancing the food grain production.
