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Expert Lecture on Processing and Value Addition of Horticultural Produce " (05th June 2026)

Dr. Dilip Ananda Pawar, Senior Scientist Agro-Produce Processing Division, ICAR-CIAE, Bhopal, was welcomed by Dr. Rajiv Ranjan Thakur, Assistant Professor, PFE department. Head, PFE, introduced faculty members of the department and students. The talk was delivered on the topic of **“Processing and Value Addition of Horticultural Produce ” on 05th June 2026 at 03:00PM to 04:00PM.** (Hybrid mode). Dr. Pawar is an expert in the field of development of Horticultural crop processing machinery and minimal processing techniques for fresh produce. The session highlighted the valuable insights into the importance of development of on farm scale processing machinery and various technologies for underutilized horticultural commodity. He discussed various challenges associated with the ongoing market practices adopted for value addition of horticultural produce. The speaker highlighted the role of mechanization in food processing for development of hygienic and safe food for human consumption. Participants gained an understanding of current developments and emerging trends in the field. Faculty members from the Departments of Processing and Food Engineering, and other departments attended the session. Undergraduate (B.Tech.), postgraduate (M.Tech.) and Ph.D. student's also participated actively and gained valuable knowledge and insights on the subject. The programme concluded with a fruitful discussion and exchange of ideas. Faculty members and students actively participated in the interactive session. The session ended with vote of thanks by HoD, Dr. Devender Kumar.

Some of the glimpses

