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#### Hon'ble Vice President visit to MANAGE

Hon'ble Vice President of India, Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu has visited MANAGE, Hyderabad on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2018. He had interacted with the input dealers who were undergoing DAESI program at FTC, Rajendranagar. Telangana. MANAGE has compiled detailed information on 100 important insect pests and diseases of major crops with the help of National Institute of Plant Health in India Management (NIPHM), and brought in the form of a Handbook. The Vice President has released the book. Copy of the book has been sent to Commissioners of Agriculture, SAMETIs and all the facilitators who is organizing DAESI program. Smt. V. Usha Rani, IAS, Director General, MANAGE has complimented the efforts of scientific team for compiling the information and expressed that this handbook will be ready reckoner for extension workers and farmers.



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#### Conference on Progress and Prospects of DAESI Program at UAS, Dharwad.

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A Conference on Progress and Prospects of DAESI Program was organized on May 26, 2018 by SAMETI (North) at UAS, Dharwad. About 500 DAESI trained input dealers have attended. Dr. Satish. G. Commissioner, Department of Agriculture, Govt. of Karnataka has inaugurated the Conference. The function was presided by Dr. V. I. Benagi Vice Chancellor, UAS, Dharwad. The other delegates, Dr. D.P.Biradar, Director of Research, Shri. Ishwar Chandra Hosamani, Smt. Sumitradevi, Dr. Rajendra Sannakki, Shri. Sushilkumar, Belagali and Shri. Suresh Gonasagi have also participated.

Technical sessions were conducted on three themes (i) the role of input dealers in Agril. Extension Services, (ii) Problems of Input dealers and (iii) Progress & prospects of DAESI Program. Dr. H. Basappa, Director of Extension & Director SAMETI (N) has presided the technical sessions. Dr. S.P. Halagalimath, Nodal Officer DAESI program and organizing Secretary of conference proposed the vote of thanks.



## **Orientation-cum-Capacity building**



National Institute of Agricultural Extension Management (MANAGE) Hyderabad Two Orientation-cum-Capacity building programs to the Facilitators of DAESI were jointly organized during 10.04.2018 to 14.04.2018 & 12.06.2018 to 14.06.2018 at MANAGE & NIPHM, Hyderabad to orient them about DAESI guidelines, Soil and Plant Health Management. A total of 53 Facilitators have attended the program from various States of the Country. Smt. V. Usha Rani, IAS, Director General, MANAGE has inaugurated both the programs and briefed about the importance of DAESI and advised them for effective conduct of the Program.



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## **Inauguration of DAESI Program**

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Hon'ble Minister of Agriculture of Kerala Shri. A. D. V. Sunil Kumar in presence of Sri. Rajan, MLA has inaugurated the First batch of DAESI program on 23.06.2018 at Kerala Agricultural University Communication Center, Mannuthy in Thrissur district .District Panchayat president Smt. Mary Thomas has released the study materials of DAESI and Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Dr. Chandrababu has delivered special address. KVK Thrissur is organizing DAESI program as NTI under Central Sector Plan Scheme. Director of Agriculture, Director of SAMETI, Director of Extension of KAU, Registrar of KAU and local leaders and Scientists, officials of Department of Agriculture and SAMETI etc. attended the function.

## **DAESI Workshop at Narendrapur, Ramakrishna Mission, West Bengal**



Workshop on DAESI study material preparation was held for four days at Narendrapur, Ramakrishna mission, West Bengal from 25<sup>th</sup> June to 28<sup>th</sup>June. This workshop was inaugurated by Dr. Prashant Armorikar, Director of Extension, Dept. of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmer Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture, Govt. of India. KVK, DAESI Course Coordinator and Experts from different discipline have involved in developing the study material.



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## Success Story -HANDHOLDING SUPPORT OF DAESI INPUT DEALER IN CHITTAPUR

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Mr. Chandrakanth Vanamali is an input dealer from Kalagi town in chittapur taluk undergoing DAESI program at KVK Kalburgi in Karnataka. He is very enthusiastic DAESI candidate who shares a lot of information in whatsapp group "KVK-KLB-II." He expressed that he has got much inspiration from DAESI program about Knowledge transfer, advocacy to the farmers of the area.

The series of lectures covered in DAESI program such as **soil fertility**, **seed production**, **use of bio-fertilizers**, **etc.**, have improved his knowledge. Besides this, the weekly feed back and interactive session in the class room has helped him to know more about control of black smut in sugar cane, wilt disease in ground nut. He regularly visits his clients' field once in a week and gives his suggestions. His suggestions have greatly worked in the area and farmers have expressed thanks to him for his timely

suggestions.

He voluntarily purchased seed treatment material from micro biology department of Agriculture Research Station, Kalaburgi and supplied the same on free of cost to his clients in order to demonstrate the effects of Bio-fertilizers and Bio-fungicides. He also participated as a resource person in the "Meet the expert program" conducted for the farmers by Department of Agriculture. Sri Dayanand Mahaling plant pathologist - ARS Kalaburgi and Sri Gundappa Assistant Director of Agriculture were also present. He extended his thanks to KVK Kalaburgi for its effort in effective implementation of DAESI course formulated by MANAGE Hyderabad. This is one of the evidence that DAESI program has achieved its objective in preparing the Agriculture input dealers as Para Extension Professionals.



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## Success Story -IMPORTANCE OF BIO-FERILIZER BY DAESI INPUT DEALER

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Sri Narayana Nagayya Kottaraki and Smt Sarita Narayan Kottaraki are husband and wife, running input shop separately at Chincholi and Sulepet in Chincholi taluk of Kalaburgi District Karnataka. Both Narayan and Sarita have undertaken DAESI program at KVK Kalaburgi, both are very much enthusiastic to learn the subjects through the series of lecture class conducted every week at KVK Kalaburgi. Both Narayana and Srita are much interested in conducting awareness programs in their respective work places.

Narayana and Sarita share their class room experience with farmers who come to their shop for their needs. Narayana expressed 'I am much influenced and motivated by the classes covered on the topics such as seed treatment with Bio - fertilizers and Bio - fungicides'. They are extending this message to every farmer who is visiting their shop. Narayana thought it is appropriate to organize a training program on "**seed treatment**" to reach the knowledge to more number of farmers.

Both of them have discussed about conducting training with their clients and conducted the same at Chicholi village on **15-04-2018**. They have arranged Tricoderma, Rhizobium, PSB for demonstration of seed treatment. Tur is a major pulse crop in this area and considered to be the cash crop for the farmers. The Fusarium wilt locally called as "**Nete**" is a soil borne disease that cause damage to crop to an extent of 25% to 40% at different stages of crop. There is no control measures once crop get effected by the disease. Hence, Narayana and Sarita have demonstrated the method of seed treatment with bio-fertilizers like Tricoderma, Rhizobium, PSB ct., Farmers were happy and requested Narayana to supply these seed treatment material on cost basis during the ensuing sowing season-June 2018

Sarita and Narayan are thankful to KVK, Kalaburgi for organizing DAESI Program and enhancing the knowledge of input dealers in the district.





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#### **Final Examinations at NTIs**



Final exam at CoA, Hassan, Karnataka on 28.04.2018



DAESI final exam at West Singhbhum Jharkhand, 2017-2018 batch



DAESI final exam at ATMA, Pakur, Jharkhand on 27.05.2018

#### **Status of DAESI**

44 batches of DAESI completed covering 1639 candidates in different states.

Currently, 232 batches of DAESI program is under progress covering 9280 candidates.



Final exam at AECC, Dharwad on 08.06.2018

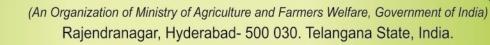
#### **Training to the Facilitators**

Training Program to the Facilitators on Sensitization on DAESI and Plant Health Management is scheduled to be organized during September 10-12<sup>th</sup> 2018 at MANAGE & NIPHM, Hyderabad

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