

Farmer Innovation Day Celebration

This year too the International Farmer Innovation Day was celebrated in India on 29th Nov 2015 by ProInnova India at INHERE campus, village Chinoni, distt. Almora, Uttarakhand. Farmers, government officials, scientists, academicians and media persons participated in the event. Dr (Mrs) Uma Melkania, Dean of College of Basic Sciences and Humanities, Govind Ballabh Pant University of Agriculture & Technology Pantnagar, Uttarakhand. Dr.Uma Melkania presided over the meeting.

Men and women farmers numbering 155 consisting of 73 women and 82 men farmers participated in the event and shared their experiences with each other, and with scientists from research institutions and government officials. The interactions were lively and productive.

Farmer Bhuvan Chandra, village Todhara, Dwarahat shared his innovation for successful use of gravity rain water for sprinkler irrigation system through LDPE water storage tank by using low cost material. He also shared his experience with successful storage of Colocassia (gaderi) rhizome in small pit on waste land. This protected the colocasia seed purpose from wild boar and porcupine. It also improved the viability of the seed.

Mrs. Neema Devi of village Jaitha, a widow with three children, on whom lies the whole responsibility of the family lies shared that by adopting SCI method she has almost doubled the production of paddy and barley .She says from each paddy plant average 21 tillers emerged. She also expressed effective results by using botanical preparations for protecting vegetable crops from pest and diseases. Seeing her devotion and efforts for agriculture the chief guest of the event rewarded her by giving INR 2000.00 in cash.

Many other farmers also shared their innovation efforts and experiences and different successful efforts done by them. Stalls were provided to farmers to display their produce. The vegetable produce of the seed provided to the farmers for joint experimentation on intercropping was also displayed. The produce brought by the farmers and displayed in the stall was fully sold out.

The event was followed by music and folk dances in which the farmers participated fully. Photographs showing glimpses of the event are being shared with you.

Glimpses of Event:



Chief Guest addresses the farmers



Folk dance by women farmers



Farmer sharing his experiences



Stalls at event site



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