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Three Day International Congress concluded at Integral University

Lucknow 12th Nov: Three Day International Congress on **Post-Harvesting Technologies of Agricultural Produce for Sustainable Food and Nutritional Security** started on Thursday, jointly organised by Integral University Lucknow and Uttar Pradesh Council for Agricultural Research (UPCAR), concluded today in the august presence of eminent speakers, guests and industry experts. This international congress was a great success, because many important topics and issues related to the post harvesting techniques were discussed during the three day congress. Concluding day of congress witnessed some really important issues and lectures of great scientists and industry experts.

Last day of congress started with a plenary lecture on the topic “**Secondary Agriculture and Beyond: The root to Bioentrepreneurship**” addressed by the key note speaker **Dr. S.P.S. Khanuja, Ex-Director, CIMAP**. During his speech on the topic, he uncovered some very important information on Bioentrepreneurship. He pointed out three structural elements that are absolutely necessary for bioentrepreneurship success. These are, a quality management team, adequate financing, and access to new technology that leads to products. He said, secondary agriculture provides value addition to agricultural products, Examples of secondary agriculture are vitamins from grains, oil from rice bran, starched sugar from corn, milk and protein from soybean, industrial chemicals and bio-fuel from sugarcane.

During the three technical sessions, two sessions were dedicated to the the poster presentation. Participants and budding scientists, highlighted the issues and innovative techniques related to the post harvest and agriculture produce. Last plenary lecture was delivered by **Dr. M.P Yadav, EX-VC, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel University of Agriculture and Technology** on the topic “**Present status of post-harvest losses in livestock, dairy, poultry and fishery products**”. In his lecture he shared the facts and figures on post harvest losses in different agriculture sectors. He also suggested the techniques to overcome this problem. He said we cannot remove 100% loss in post harvest but we can lower down the percent of loss by adopting the new techniques.

Last session of last day was dedicated to the panel discussion. Around 30 senior scientist and subject expert participated in the panel discussion. Many important issues and needs in the the area of agriculture were discussed during the panel discussion. A breif report of this discussion will be presented to the Uttar Pradesh Govt.



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Three day International Congress was concluded with a Grand Valedictory Session. **Dr HS Gupta, Ex-DG BISA, New Delhi** was the Chief Guest of the Valedictory Session while, **Dr. Basant Ram, Ex-VC NDUAT** and **Dr. Anis Ansari, Ex-APC, GoUP** was the Guest of Honor. In his short address **Sri. Avinash K. Srivastava** said, these kind of gatherings are really helpful for the Indian Agriculture Sector. The event brought under one roof students, farmers, young scientist and industry experts to talk and clarify important issues. **Patron and Vice Chancellor of the Integral University, Prof SW Akhtar**, expressed his happiness for the successful congress. He thanked all the guests, speakers and scientists for making the congress a great success. He congratulated, **the organisers** and University staff for successfully organising such a grand congress.

The Three day event saw participation by more than 1000 professionals, faculty members and students who got benefitted by the knowledge exchange.

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