



### **Brief Report on the Educational Visit to Kisan Mela at CSIR-CIMAP Lucknow**

The students of the Department of Agriculture B.Sc. (Hons.) Ag 2nd Year embarked on an enriching educational journey to the Kisan Mela hosted by CSIR-CIMAP in Lucknow. Held on 31 January 2025, the event provided a unique blend of hands-on agricultural experiences and deep insights into modern farming technologies and innovations.

The primary objective of the visit was to introduce the students to contemporary agricultural practices and the latest advancements, with a special emphasis on medicinal and aromatic plants. The program showcased innovations such as new and improved crop varieties, sensor-based technologies, and cutting-edge techniques in soil and water testing, ensuring that the students remained well-informed about the tools essential for modern agriculture.

Under the guidance of faculty coordinators Dr. Pallavi Srivastava, Dr. Setu Ratnam, Dr. Sampurna Nand, and Mr. Anupam Singh, the students explored a diverse range of crops, including cereals, millets, spices, condiments, medicinal plants, fruits, vegetables, flowers, and CIMAP in-house products. A standout feature of the visit was the field research demonstration at CIMAP Lucknow. This demonstration highlighted several dedicated research fields, such as those focused on medicinal plants, the Manav Park, the Nature Park, the Aromatic Hut, and various research trials on different medicinal plants. Through these live displays, the students observed innovative experiments related to crop improvement, soil health, water management, and the specialized cultivation of medicinal flora, gaining invaluable insights into the research methodologies employed by experts at CIMAP.

Another key aspect of the event was the opportunity for direct interaction with industry experts. The students interacted with representatives from agrochemical companies, seed producers, pesticide manufacturers, and other agricultural input providers, which offered them valuable real-world perspectives on current market practices and challenges.

The visit was observed under the guidance of Prof. (Dr.) Mohd Haris Siddiqui, Dean of the Faculty of Agricultural Science and Technology, and Prof. Saba Siddiqui, Head of the Integral Institute of Agricultural Sciences and Technology, Integral University. Their active involvement underscored the importance of integrating theoretical knowledge with practical exposure to prepare students for future challenges in the agricultural domain.

Overall, the Kisan Mela visit proved to be a highly valuable educational experience, equipping the students with firsthand exposure to modern agricultural practices and technologies, while fostering meaningful interactions with industry professionals and researchers.

### **Glimpses**





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