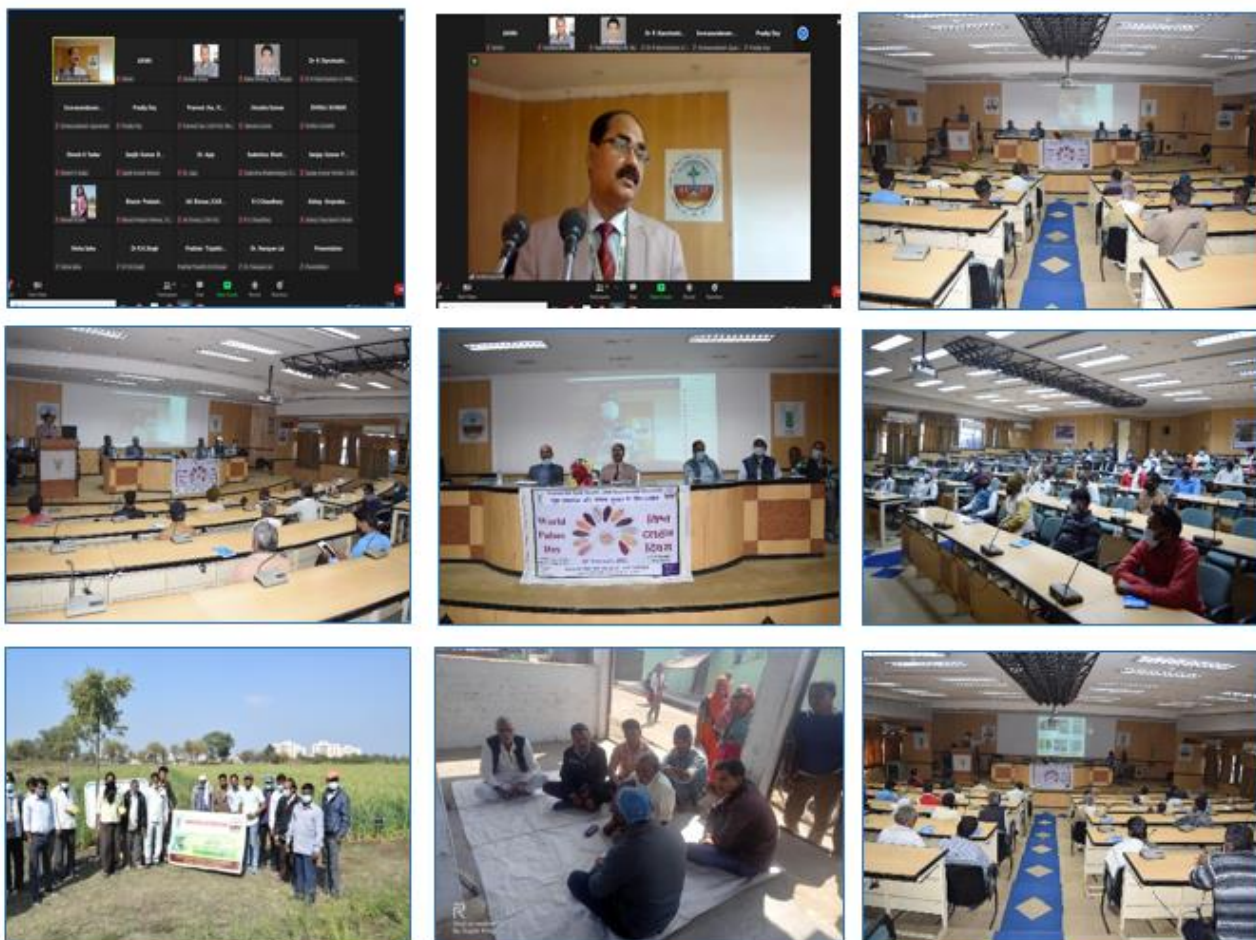


ICAR-IISS BHOPAL CELEBRATED WORLD PULSES DAY 2022 AND ORGANIZED WORKSHOP ON 'PULSES FOR SOIL HEALTH AND NUTRITIONAL SECURITY'

ICAR-IISS Bhopal organized a Workshop on Pulses for Soil Health and Nutritional Security on 10th February 2022 at the institute premises to commemorate **World Pulses Day 2022**. The event was celebrated in hybrid mode as a part of the "Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav" to commemorate *75 Years of India's Independence* with the theme "Pulses to empower youth in achieving sustainable agrifood systems". The programme was attended by all the scientists, staff of the institute and farmers of various villages namely, Piparia chhaparwan, Kalyanpur, Bhairopur, Golkhedhi, Khamkheda, Rasulia Pathar, Kanchvali, Jhapadia and Balampur of Bhopal district. Dr. Ashok K. Patra, Director, ICAR-IISS graced the occasion as Chief Guest and addressed the farmers and attendees on the significance of pulses for soil and human health as well as overall sustainability of ecosystem. He further emphasized that pulses are key component to enhance crop productivity for doubling farmers' income. The technical session was chaired by Dr. Patra and Co-Chaired by Dr. Pradip Dey. Dr. A.B. Singh delivered a lecture on Pulses and their role on human health; Dr. SR Mohanty delivered a lecture on Advances in biofertilizers to augment pulse production; Dr. Brijlal Lakaria delivered a lecture on Pulse production and soil health; Dr. A. K. Vishwakarma delivered a lecture on major pulses and their production technology and Dr. R.H. Wanjari delivered a lecture on Suitable varieties of pulses for MP. A field visit to different demonstration plots at the campus was organized at the end of the program. Dr. A. K. Vishwakarma coordinated the programme and Dr. R. Elanchezhian proposed vote of thanks at the end. About 100 staff, 50 students and 200 farmers (100 offline and 100 online) attended the programme.



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