



National Dialogue on Innovations in Agricultural Extension: A Way Forward

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The Trust for Advancement in Agricultural Sciences (TAAS) New Delhi, a 'Think Tank' and the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) in collaboration with Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare (MoA&FW), New Delhi, Michigan State University (MSU), Michigan, USA and the National Institute of Agricultural Extension Management (MANAGE), has organized a **"National Dialogue on Innovations in Agricultural Extension: A Way Forward"** on 8-9 April, 2022. Over 250 participants (143 physically, rest virtually) including diverse stakeholders from the Central and State Governments, scientific institutions, SAMETIs, EELs, ATARIs, KVKs, ATMAs, private extension service providers, farmer organizations, and policy makers, etc. attended the Dialogue. Key participants included Dr R S Paroda, Chairman, TAAS, Dr T. Mohapatra, Secretary, DARE & DG, ICAR; Dr R B Singh, Former, President NAAS; Dr Karim Meredia Director, International Program, Michigan State University (MSU); Dr Rita Sharma, Former Secretary Dept of Rural development, GoI; Dr P Chandrashekara, DG, MANAGE; Dr Quentin Tyler, DE, MSU; Dr AK Singh, DDG (Agril.Extn), ICAR; Dr V V Sadamate, Former Advisor, Planning Commission; and Dr Arjun Kumar Shrestha, Director (R&E), Nepal; Md Hamidur Rahman, Former DG (Agril. Extn.), Dhaka; Dr Gunasinghum Mikunthan, Sri Lanka and several national stakeholders from ICAR-ATARIs; effective NGOs like Sh Yogesh Thorat, MAHA FPC Pune; BK Singh, BKC Weather Noida; Sh. Shekhar Bhadsavle, Saguna Farms; Sh. Shaik Meera, Digital Agriculture; and Basavaraj Girenavar, CAB Pvt Ltd. The Dialogue discussed major constraints concerning present agricultural extension system, suggested effective and efficient models' for fruitful dissemination of innovations/technologies and related knowledge among farmers. The Proceedings and Recommendations are being developed and provided at a later date.

