

Dr Paroda's Visit Boosts KVK, Unnao

On March 30, 2025, Dr RS Paroda, Padma Bhushan Awardee, Chairman, Trust for Advancement of Agricultural Sciences (TAAS), Former Director General, Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) and Secretary, Department of Agricultural Research and Education (DARE), Government of India, VKS Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK), Dhaura, Unnao.

Dr Paroda, in his speech delivered at KVK in Unnao, emphasized the critical role of agricultural innovation and extension services in enhancing farmer livelihoods and ensuring food security. He highlighted the importance of KVKs as knowledge hubs that bridge the gap between scientific research and practical farming. Dr Paroda stressed the need for adopting modern technologies, climate-resilient practices, and sustainable farming methods to address challenges like climate change and shrinking arable land. He praised the efforts of KVK, Unnao in promoting crop diversification, soil health management, and skill development among farmers. He also underscored the significance of empowering smallholder farmers, especially women, through training and access to resources. Dr Paroda called for stronger collaboration between scientists, policymakers, and farmers to drive agricultural progress. He concluded by urging the agricultural community to prioritize productivity, profitability, and sustainability to meet future demands while preserving natural resources.



Dr Paroda visited farmers' field demonstrations on Integrated Pest Management (IPM), use of Laser Land Leveling (LLL) technology, paddy straw crop residue management (CRM), and wheat sowing with a Super Seeder at Nasratpur, Jangalemau and Bibipur Chiriyari villages of district Unnao.

He was accompanied by esteemed dignitaries including Dr P Das, former ICAR Deputy Director General, ICAR, Dr Ranjay Kumar Singh, Assistant Director General, ICAR, Shri Ramesh Kumar Singh, KVK Founder Chairman, Shri Mohit Kumar Singh, KVK Chairman and the dedicated KVK scientific staff. This visit was a moment of pride and inspiration for the farming community and all involved in advancing sustainable agricultural practices.



Dr Paroda's full address can be accessed through following link:

<https://youtu.be/MIUHWOGi7cw>