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# JKK MUNIRAJAH COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE





Message from Chairman – JKKM Group of Institutions

"Well thought reforms in technical education is the need of the hour"

Journeying through 45 years, JKK group of institutions continue the quest of providing the best quality education to students. In future agricultural education might be all about farming in large. To strengthen this, human resources development in agriculture is prime important. So steps were taken to establish an Agricultural College in the western parts of Erode district and JKK Munirajah College of Agricultural Science started functioning from the year 2014 with the vision of "Enter to learn, drink the nectar of knowledge and fly out to service". Our team works hard to spread up scientific skills, technologies and art in agriculture to students and nearby farming communities. The campus located in middle of 250 acres of land richly endowed with beautiful Greenland which provide ambient environment for staffs and students.

Our efforts continue to upgrade infrastructure, innovative curriculum and research to move forward as one of the best institutions. Also the college is actively involved in shaping the future career of students through various guest lectures and placement works. Finally it is a great pleasure and satisfaction that JKK Munirajah College of Agricultural Sciences has come up with first issue of College Newsletter.

"You don't have to be great to start but you have to start to be great"

- Best wishes



It is my great pleasure to extend heartful greetings to the readers of the first issue of JKK Munirajah college of Agricultural Science Newsletter. I believe that the newsletter serves as a window through which complete profile of the academic, sports and co curriculuar activities, achievements and progress of the college and students will be made known to the public in large.

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## Dean's message

Welcome to **JKKM** College of Agricultural Science. For more than two decades, JKKM institutions are serving as our nation's flagship comprehensive institution of higher education. We are advancing institute's tradition of excellence agricultural sciences through high quality programs in teaching, research and service. Our campus is set in a beautiful landscape with a spectacular view of western Ghats – a highly living environment that encourages interaction and camaraderie .I would like to invite you to our campus and explore further with our faculty and students on limitless opportunities that make JKKMCAS a truly special institution. We assure that students can address and enjoy all kinds of cropping programme under single hub with best curriculum activities in all disciplines of all agricultural science.

# Mahatma Gandhi's 150<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary celebration.

Our great leader - Mahatma Gandhi's 150<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary was celebrated on 2<sup>nd</sup> october 2018. To fulfil Mahatma Gandhi's dream of a clean India, a campaign, "The Clean India – 2018" as a part of Swachhata Ki Sewa mission, Erode district administration represented by District Revenue Officer (DRO), Deputy Collector and National service scheme of JKK Munirajah College of Agricultural Science jointly organized a rally at, Kodiveri, Gobi (Tk), Erode (dt). Students conducted the awareness rally in and around Kodiveri dam and eradicated the plastic wastes in the surrounding of the dam area. The event was coordinated by NSS officer Dr. M.Shamuga prema, Assistant Professor (Entomology)



#### **RAWE Exhibition**

After the successful completion Rural Agricultural work Experience programme, the final year students displayed their skills in the form of different model. The exhibition was inaugurated by Dr.J.K.K. Munirajah, Chairman of JKKM group of Institutions and interacted with students. The students shared their experience. The junior students and faculties of the College visited the exhibition and had interactive sessions. Finally novel ideas of different groups were evaluated by a team of staff. The overall event was coordinated by Mrs.G.Karpagam, Assistant. Professor (Agrl. Extn.)



Dengue awareness rally

The NSS Rally for maintaining cleanliness to prevent the spread of Dengue program was organized on 14.11.2018 in coordination with the Department of Public Health, Vaniputhur, Gobichettipalayam. The Executive Officer Mr. Manoharan, Vaniputhur block and Dr.V.K.Duraisamy, the Dean, JKKMCAS along with the staff members participated in the rally.



#### World soil day

The world soil day was celebrated on 5.12.2018.Dr.S.Eswari,Soil scientist delivered a special lecture on Soil Health and Nutrition for the benefit of staff and students. The awareness rally was organized by Assistant Director of Agriculture (ADA), Gobi and NSS unit of JKK Munirajah College of Agricultural Science on maintaining Soil Health – 2018 to provoke the minds of farmers to avoid excess usage of fertilizers and essential nutrients to the soil, leading to soil pollution





To keep College premises green and environmentally friendly, NSS volunteers cleaned the weeds and plastics in and around the campus. Also planting of *Melia dubia* in 3 acres of land was done to increase the green cover.





The 125th Anniversary of Swami Vivekananda's Chicago Speech was celebrated in JKK Munirajah College of Agricultural Science. Swamy, Yogamrithananthar, Secretary (Sri Ramakrishna Mission Vidyalaya Hr.Sec.School) gave a spiritual speech about Swamy Vivekananda. The various events like essay writing, quiz, drawing and elocution for students was organized and finally prize was distributed by Mr. S.Sugantharaj, Lecturer, Sri Ramakrishna Mission Vidyalaya.





#### **STUDY TOUR**

The second year (2017 –18 batch) students have undertaken the study tour for the course AGR 204 for seven days from 18/12/2018 to 24/12/2018 covering different institutions in various parts of Tamilnadu. The students visited Maize Research station - Vagarai, HRS- Pechipari, ARS -Tirupathisaram, FRS - Thovazhai, AC & RI -Killikulam, RRS - Ambasamuthiram, CRS -Srivalliputhur , ARS - Kovilpatti,RRS -Aruppukottai, AC & RI - Madurai , DARS -Chettinad , NPRS- Pudukottai, ADAC &RI -Tiruchirappalli, Sugarcane Research Station -Sirugamani, Irrigation Management Training Institute -Thuvakkudi, Trichy, Soil and water Management Research Institute - Kattuthottam TamilNadu Rice Research Institute -Aduthurai .The students were exposed to different conditions, different climatic soil and technologies, varieties and different cropping patterns in agroclimatic zones and gained first hand information during the visit. The visit was coordinated by Mr.V.Mohankumar Assistant Professor (Agronomy), Dr.M.Shanmuga perma Assistant Professor (Entomology), Mrs.M.Ramya Assistant Professor (Soil Science) and Mr.G.Pandi durai Assistant Professor (FSN)



As a part of the course AGR 204, the III year students raised paddy crop CO- 52 MGR -100 variety in 3.5 acres of wet land. Dean and staff members were present in harvesting function.



## **Exposure visit**

The two days exposure visit to Ooty was arranged for students for the courses PAT 201 and HOR 201 of II B.Sc.,(Hons.) Agriculture students of JKK Munirajah College of Agricultural Science.Dr. M. Sivaswamy.,Head and Principal Scientist explained about Wheat Rust Control Scheme and Improvement Trials in southern hill zone. Then the student visited CPRI museum and observed various disease and pest listed. Also students visited Horticulture department TNAU, practically trained various training, grafting and pruning techniques of crops.



The one day exposure visit was arranged to Forest College and Research Institute Mettupalyam for the course FOR 111 on 30.11.2018 to the I.B.Sc.,(Hons.) Agriculture students of JKK Munirajah College of Agricultural Science. Dr.K.K.Suresh, the Dean of Forest College and Research Institute interacted with students and explained about the role of soils and forests and individuals role in conservation of nature. The students then visited different agro forestry models and gained knowledge sustainable practical on agroforestry. Dr.Shivaprakash, Assistant Professor accompanied the students during the visit.

One day visit for the course AEC 301to the students of III year B.Sc.(Agri) was made to AGMARK unit of Erode to analyze the situation of marketing channel regulation in uzhavar sandhai. They gained information about organizational setup, registration procedure and their activities.



The agricultural graduates are not only excelling in academics but also prove their talents in sports. The III B.Sc agricultural student P.Vishu participated in Athletics selection trails and got selected for 19<sup>th</sup> All India Inter Agricultural Universities sports and games Meet 2018 – 19 scheduled at Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana (02/01/2019) to 05/01/2019).



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