

Webinar on Gandhian Philosophy and Agriculture

150th Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi was celebrated with a WEBINAR on 30.9.2020 on virtual mode by ICAR-Indian Institute of Pulses Research, Kanpur which coincided with **Nutrition Month** as pulses play the key role in nutritional security of the country. The main function of webinar on **Gandhian Philosophy and Agriculture** on the eve of 151st birth day of Father of the nation was held at Kanpur where Dr Shyam Babu Gupta, Director, Deen Dayal Research Centre, Chatrapati Shahu Ji Maharaj University, Kanpur and Dr Narendra Pratap Singh, Director, ICAR-IIPR, Kanpur participated.

In his address, Chief Guest Dr Shyam Babu Gupta, Director, Deen Dayal Research Centre, Chatrapati Shahu Ji Maharaj University, Kanpur reiterated that Gandhian philosophy provided a viable and authentically Indian with conceptual foundation on which to build genuinely sustainable development. Gandhian values needed to be accepted as the guiding principles underlying all our development planning including Agriculture. Since Gandhian values had worldwide appeal, so should their application to important, burning issues of ecology and sustainability. Besides a symbol of peace and nonviolence to the whole world, Gandhiji's ideologies as an Environmentalist was important in the context of present and future days to come, he added.

In his address in the Webinar, Chairman Dr Narendra Pratap Singh, Director, ICAR-IIPR, Kanpur said that the well-known Gandhian prescription of "simple living" attempted both to curb human overreaching and greed, and to prevent the mindless exploitation of natural resources. Therefore, it was clear that, while we must have some form of development, it had better be sustainable. In order to solve the pressing problems of the present times, Gandhi's principles of Swaraj, power decentralization, and Swadeshi (atmanirbhar Bharat) needed to be systematically inculcated in our nation, he said.

Earlier in the Webinar, Convener Dr CS Praharaj, PS & Head, Crop Production Division welcomed all the participants which included Project Coordinators, Heads of Division from ICAR-IIPR, Kanpur, Scientific, Administration, Finance, Technical and Supporting Groups of ICAR-IIPR, Kanpur & its 4 regional centres at Bhopal, Bikaner, Dharwad and Khordha, Partners/stake holders of pulses in ICAR, SAU and CG Institutions, retired members of our Pulses Family, faculty and staffs of Deen Dayal research centre, farmers, and members of press and media.

The webinar ended with Vote of Thanks to the Chair by Dr CS Praharaj with famous saying of father of the Nation "***The Earth provides enough to satisfy every man's need, but not any man's greed***".

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Celebrating 150th Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi



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Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi

Webinar
30 Sept. 2020 (3-5 pm)



Theme :
Thoughts of the Mahatma

Topic:
Gandhian Philosophy and Agriculture

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