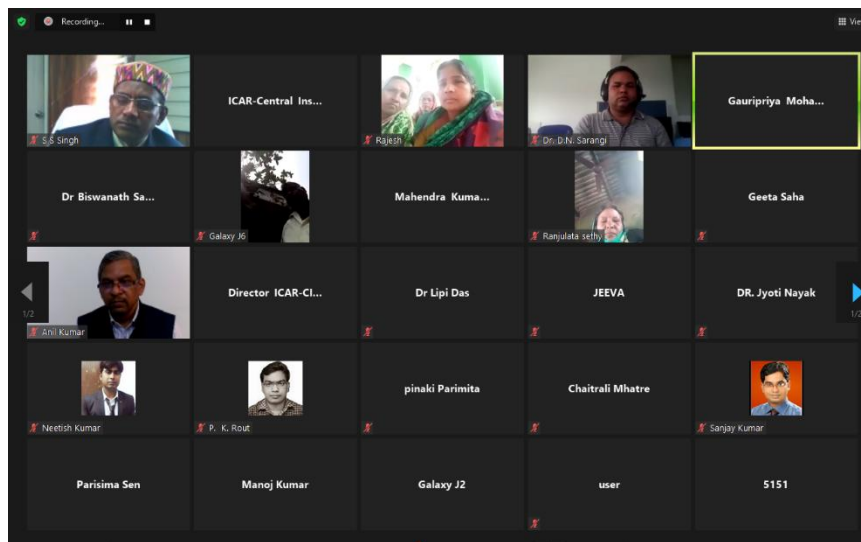


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Report on the Campaign on Swachhhta Pakhwada on 23 December, 2020

As part of the 'Swachhhta Pakhwada' campaign being observed during 16-31 December, 2020, Kisan Diwas was celebrated at ICAR-CIWA, Bhubaneswar on 23.12.2020. The programme was organized in virtual mode in the memory of the former Prime Minister Chaudhury Charan Singh on his birthday. Farm women and farmers from different districts of Odisha like Puri, Cuttack, Khorda, Jagatsinghpur, GanjamNayagarh etc. and the staff of ICAR-CIWA participated in the meeting. The meeting was graced by Dr S.S. Singh, Director Extension, Rani Lakshmi Bai Central Agricultural University, Jhansi as the Chief Guest. The Director ICAR-CIWA Dr S.K. Srivastava gave a detailed account of the achievements of the Institute in mainstreaming and empowering women in agriculture in the country and especially in Odisha state. He also highlighted the role of the Institute in sensitizing the various stakeholders involved in the research and development sector engaged in agriculture. Role of ICAR-CIWA was highlighted as a catalyst in the economic empowerment of rural women by bringing the relevant technologies to their doorstep.

An webinar was organized during Kisan Diwas-2020 programme being coordinated by Dr Anil Kumar who welcomed the farm women and farmers joined from different districts of Odisha and spoke about the progress made by the farmers in the journey from deficiency to food sufficiency together with the agricultural scientists. During the programme, about 10 farm women shared their success stories in agriculture and allied sectors which included backyard poultry rearing, nutrition garden, goat rearing, rearing dairy animals, fish processing, doubling farm income through a combination of technologies among others.



The progressive farmers were appreciated for their exemplary work in respective field. This event was coordinated by Dr B. Sahoo, Principal Scientist of the Institute. The virtual programme was attended by about 200 farm women and farmers from different places including the staff from the Institute. The vote of thanks was presented by Dr D. N. Sarangi and Sh. Subrat K. Das helped in arranging the virtual mode of the meeting.