

ICAR- CICR Organizes World Environment Day and On-line Cotton Workshop for Farmers

World Environment Day and Online Cotton Workshop for Farmers was organized by ICAR-Central Institute For Cotton Research (CICR), Nagpur on June 05, 2020, to mark World Environment Day and to guide farmers on cotton crop in the coming kharif season.

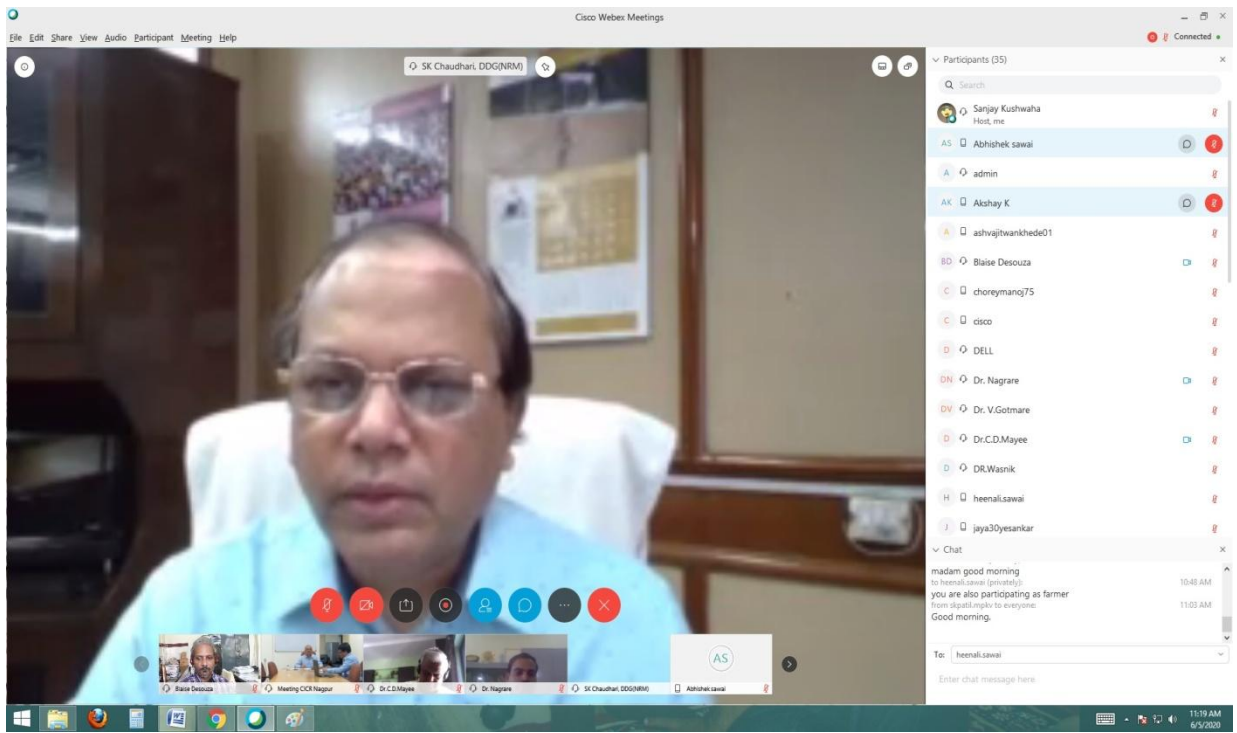
The On- line workshop was Chaired by Dr. V. N. Waghmare, Director, ICAR-Central Institute For Cotton Research, Nagpur. Dr. S. K. Chaudhary, Deputy Director General, (Natural Resources Management), ICAR, New Delhi was the Chief Guest while the workshop was inaugurated by Dr. C. D. Mayee, Former Chairman, Agricultural Scientists Recruitment Board, New Delhi. Dr. Lakhan Singh, Director, ICAR- Agricultural Technology Application Research Institute (ATARI), Pune, Shri. Ravindra Bhosale, Divisional Joint Director of Agriculture, Nagpur, Shri. Dr. Subhash Nagre, Divisional Joint Director of Agriculture, Amravati were the Special Guests. The programme was coordinated by Dr. Siddharth Wasnik, Head KVK and Principal Scientist, Agril. Extension, ICAR-CICR, Nagpur. The workshop was attended online by a large number of farmers as well as agricultural staff.

Dr. S. K. Chaudhary, guided the participating farmers on the management of natural resources, various factors and inputs required according to the crop growth stage and the management of organic carbon in the soil. Dr. C. D. Mayee, in his inaugural address guided the participating farmers on water management in the cotton crop as well as how to maximize productivity by reducing costs of production. Dr. Lakhan Singh pointed out the efforts of Sh. Popatrao Pawar, Sarpanch of Adarsh village Hiware Bazar, Senior social activist Anna Hazare for water conservation at Ralegan Siddhi and Rahibai Popere for the conservation of seed in Ahmednagar district, Maharashtra for biodiversity conservation.

Dr. Vijay Waghmare while chairing the session highlighted the importance of biodiversity and conservation of indigenous varieties. He also shared the information pertaining to new Bt varieties released by ICAR-CICR Nagpur and availability of its seeds for farmers.

At the outset in the inaugural session Dr. Siddharth Wasnik welcomed the dignitaries and other participants connected on-line for the programme through video conferencing and also proposed vote of thanks.

After the inauguration ceremony, a technical session was organized for the farmers in which Dr. Blaze D'Souza, Head, Crop Production Division, guided on Cotton Production Technology, Dr. Vinita Gotamare talked about the straight and hybrid varieties of cotton, Dr. Vislesh Nagarare on Insect pests and Pink Bollworm Management Strategies for cotton crops, Dr. Shailesh Gawande guided on Diseases Management in cotton and Dr. Siddhartha M. Wasnik provided information on e-Kapas / e-Communication, Cotton App, cotton FLDs, MGMG and Scheduled Caste Sub Plan (SCSP) projects. Dr. S. S. Patil, KVK, ICAR-CICR, Nagpur, expressed vote of thanks at the end. For successful organization of the workshop Shri. Sanjay Kushwaha and Dr. Sachin Wankhede worked hard.



Dr. S. K. Chaudhary, DDG, addressing to the farmers while Dr. C. D. Mayee, Dr. V. N. Waghmare, Dr. Siddhartha M. Wasnik Dr. Blaze D'Souza and others connected participants