Dr. Triolochan Mohapatra Interacts with 110th FOCARS at ICAR-NAARM

Dr. T. Mohapatra, Secretary DARE and DG ICAR interacted with 110 FOCARS trainees on 7 February 2020. This 110 FOCARS consists of 135 trainees from 28 ARS disciplines and represent 22 states of India. DG stressed the need to analyze the state representation of ARS scientists over the past three years in order to promote ARS from all the states. He interacted and motivated young scientists for their dedicated service for the cause of small and marginal farmers of India. He also discussed on 1) How ICAR institutions or deemed to be universities and State Agricultural Universities to figure in the top 200 institutions and Universities of the world? 2) Pioneering areas of research in Indian agriculture to be pursued by the young scientists, 3) Improving the number of women directors in the ICAR, 4) Improving the stature of agricultural research among the common public in comparison with other fields 5) Bringing second green revolution in India, 6) Improving the collaborations with research and agri-industry 7) Hungry and poverty issues in the country, 8) Foreign exposure to FOCAR trainees, 9) Role of ICAR in faculty building in agriculture and allied universities of state. DG asked to write on transformation ideas to promote ICAR at global level and highlighted the need of fundamental research to resolve emerging challenges in agriculture.

Dr. Ch.Srinivasa Rao, Director, ICAR-NAARM while welcoming highlighted the new interventions included in the foundation course: research excellence in remote areas, panel discussion with Lal Bahadur Shastri Young Scientist award winners of ICAR, science communication, ethics in research and development, learning positive thinking, interactions with science academies and policy makers besides overall research project management and transforming them into highly productive scientists of ICAR. Dr. SK.Soam introduced the DG to the young scientists and Dr. RVS. Rao, Dr. Tavva Srinivas and Dr. N.S.Rao are the foundation course coordinators of 110th FOCARS.