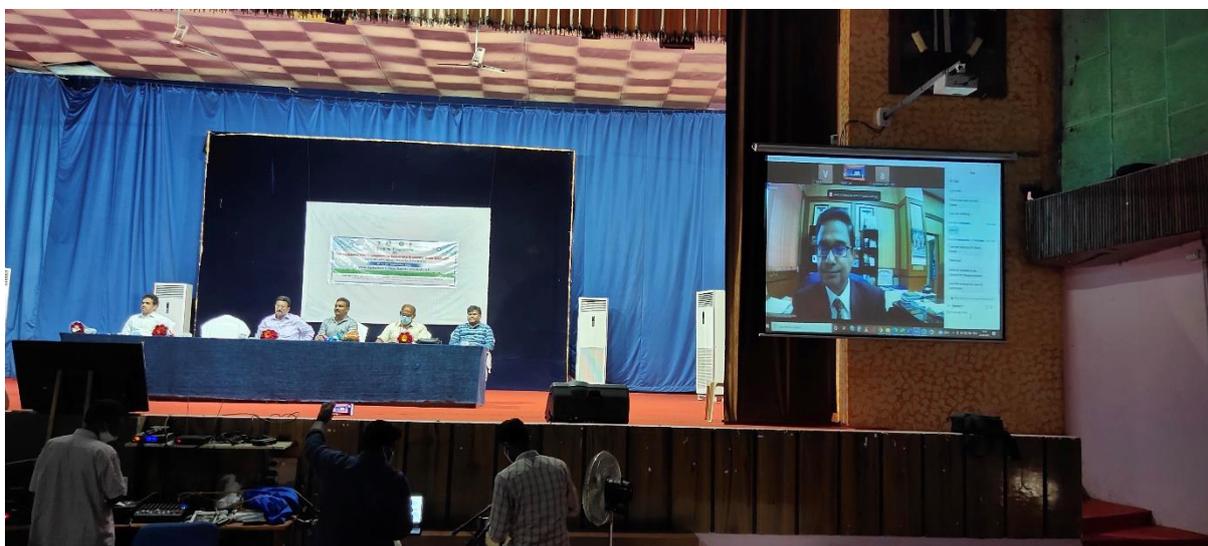


## **Training program on “Entrepreneurial Skill Development for Agricultural Graduates” Conducted at Agricultural College, Bapatla.**

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ICAR-NAARM conducted three days training programme on “Entrepreneurial Skill Development for Agricultural Graduates” under SCSP, 2020-21 for the students of Agricultural College, Bapatla, Acharya N G Ranga Agricultural University. The training program was held from 20-22<sup>nd</sup> September, 2021 in which a total of 170 students including 120 girl students participated. Dr. Ch. Srinivasa Rao, Director, ICAR-NAARM participated virtually in the inaugural function as a chief guest and highlighted the role of students in the nation building and sensitized them for higher education besides motivating them to pursue higher education from reputed national and international universities. He also highlighted about agri-preneurship and higher education prospects. Dr. Ramachandra Rao Associate Dean of the agricultural college, Bapatla stressed upon the need to develop skills for becoming an entrepreneur. The training program sensitized the students regarding the career opportunities, prospects in agricultural education and agri-preneurship. The students were trained on the aspects related to improvement of communication skills and soft skills. In view of the pandemic situation the program was conducted in hybrid mode consisting both online and physical sessions. Dr. Ranjit Kumar, HOD, ABM Division, ICAR-NAARM briefed the students about the Agribusiness in India: Opportunities & Challenges as well as agri-startups and entrepreneurship. University Head and Board Member, ANGARU Dr. V. Srinivasa Rao stressed the students to make use of the training to help them pursue their future career avenues. Dr. B. Venkateswarlu Professor & Head, Agricultural College, Bapatla appreciated the role of ICAR-NAARM for the exposing the students prospects of higher education in agriculture and entrepreneurship. The students were also imparted training on business plan preparation, design thinking and personality development.

The program was co-ordinated by NAARM scientist Dr. M. Ramesh Naik with the local co-ordinator Dr. Ravi Babu from agricultural college, Bapatla.



Glimpses of the training on “Entrepreneurial Skill Development for Agricultural Graduates” Agricultural College, Bapatla held from 20-22<sup>nd</sup> September, 2021.