

IX FOCFAU for Young Faculty of Agricultural Universities concluded at ICAR-NAARM

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The 9th Foundation Course for Faculty of Agricultural Universities (FOCFAU) was held from September 7-27, 2023 spanning 21 days at NAARM, Hyderabad. Twenty-five (25) recently joined young faculty representing four universities – Rani Laxmi Bai Central Agricultural University (RLBCAU), Sri Venkateswara Veterinary University (SVVU), Tamil Nadu Dr. Jayalalitha Fisheries University (TNJFU), Guru Angad Dev Veterinary and Animal Sciences University (GADVASU) attended the course. Nine female and 16 male participants from 19 disciplines (agriculture-8, veterinary-7, fisheries-4) took part in the programme.

The course comprised of 43 modules covering agricultural education, research, extension, advanced teaching technologies career enhancement strategies, human resource management and administrative and financial rules and regulations. Educational and exposure visits were arranged for the benefit of participating young faculty.

The foundation course concluded on 27.09.2023 with the valedictory session graced by Chief Guest, Dr A. Padma Raju Former Vice Chancellor, ANGRAU. Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Padma Raju stressed on the emerging need for research based on the amalgamation of all the sub-sectors of agriculture. He called upon the participants to pay more attention to research collaboration to improve the quality of research output and fostering the linkages with other research institutes.

While addressing the participants Dr. Ch. Srinivasa Rao, Director, NAARM stressed on the role of teachers in all aspects of education, research and extension activities to improve the performance of university and improve the skills of the students. He suggested that the faculty should learn communication skills, take advantage of emerging opportunities for research projects and inculcate the habit of publishing research results. Further, he stressed on need-based research and implementing better data management practices.

Participating in the valedictory session, Dr. G. Venkateswarlu, JD, NAARM congratulated the participants and Course Directors for successful completion of FOCFAU. He called upon the participating young faculty to make good and effective use of knowledge and insights obtained during the course. Dr. D. Damodar Reddy and Dr.M.Balakrishnan coordinated the 21-day long program.



