

Celebration of Swachhata Pakhwada – Kisan Diwas (Farmer's Day) **at ICAR-NBAIR, Bengaluru (Yelahanka campus)**

ICAR-NBAIR celebrated Swachhata Pakhwada – Kisan Diwas (Farmer's Day) on 23rd December 2022, commemorated as 'National Farmer's Day' remembering Hon'ble 5th former Prime Minister Chaudhary Charan Singh who was acclaimed as 'Champion of the Peasants'. The Chief Guest was Dr. S.V. Suresh, Vice Chancellor of University of Agricultural Sciences Bangalore; Guest of Honour for the programme was Mr. Gunavant.J Deputy Director of Horticulture, Bengaluru Rural. Hundred farmers from Doddaballapur, Chikkaballapura, and Hosakote districts participated and shared their views. The programme started with planting of sapling by Vice Chancellor of University of Agricultural Sciences, Bangalore and Dr. S.N.Sushil, Director ICAR-NBAIR. All the dignitaries and farmers undertook Swachhata Pakhwada pledge. ICAR-NBAIR felicitated Chief Guest, Guest of honour and Progressive farmers. Dr. Mahesh Yandigeri delivered lecture on "Waste to Wealth management" explaining role of Black Soldier Fly in converting agricultural waste into compost. Dr. U. Amala explained the role of Black Soldier Fly in Poultry and Fish Feed. All farmers were given certificates and souvenirs by National Insect Museum, ICAR-NBAIR.



All the dignitaries who graced the occasion on 23rd December 2022



Lighting of lamp by dignitaries



Swachhata Pakhwada Pledge



Felicitation of farmers from Bengaluru rural district



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Farmers visited to Black Soldier Fly rearing unit



Delegates and farmers group photo.