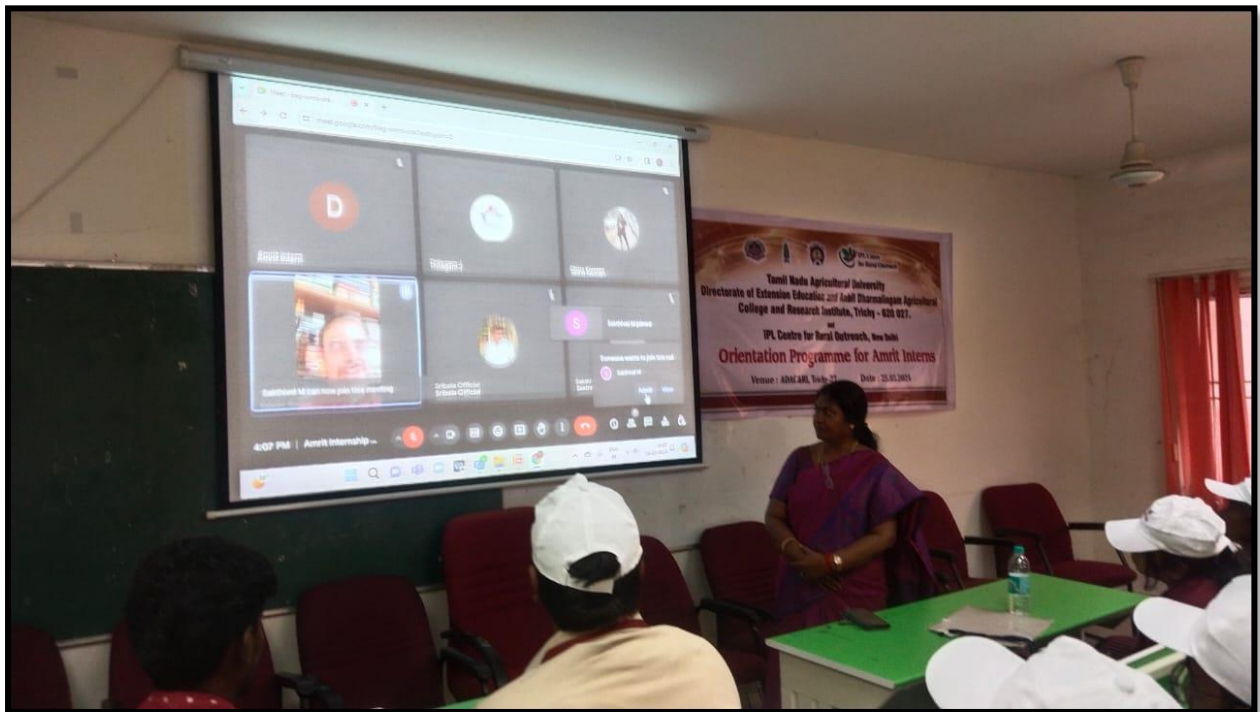




**Anbil Dharmalingam Agricultural College and Research
Institute, TNAU**

Report on

Amrit Internship Orientation Programme



Venue - Trichirappalli

Date – 25.03.2024

IPL-ICRO-AMRIT Internship programme report

Amrit Internship Programme under IPL Centre for Rural Outreach(ICRO), New Delhi, Anbil Dharmalingam Agricultural College and Research Institute, Trichy was selected as one of the operational centre. Dr. C. Vanniarajan, Dean, ADAC & RI, is the Principal Investigator. Dr. A. Sakunthalai, Professor and Head (Agrl. Extn.), Dept. of Agrl. Extension and Communication, Dr. T. Sujaivelu, Assistant Professor (Agrl. Extension) are nominated as Co-ordinator (Co-PI) for this centre. The students were encouraged to apply for IPL — ICRO Amrit Internship Programme through online on ICRO/NPC website www.icroamrit.npcindia.gov.in. The students were sensitized by the Dean and Co-ordinators of this centre to upload their application through e-Learning system for Registration. Students were selected based on their Merit system of B.Sc.(Hons.) Agriculture degree. Thus fifty students were selected out of 108 students of B.Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture 2020 batch.

The orientation programme was conducted on 25.03.2024 at Seminar Hall of ADAC & RI, Trichy. During this programme Dr. C. Vanniarajan, Dean, ADAC & RI, Trichy addressed the students to maintain the discipline and decorum of the TNAU and to take utmost care during the survey. Also requested the students to utilize the best opportunity provided by the University joining with IPL ICRO , New Delhi.

The programme was arranged in Hybrid mode. Dr. H. Venkatesa Palanisamy, Dean (Agri.), TNAU, Coimbatore delivered Inaugural address. Dr.P.P.Murugan, DEE, TNAU, Coimbatore delivered hands on experience for interns and clarified the doubts raised by the interns. Dr.Rajiv Ranjan, Director ICRO, New Delhi, Addressed the gathering on the expectations from interns for the successful completion of the programme. Further he explained the production and productivity status of our country, why variations, what is the need to bridge the yield gap, reason for the existing variations among the different crops in different places. His speech also focused on the entrepreneurial empowerment of the young generation. The importance of rural youth and women employment programmes also spell out by him.

The Amrit Co-ordinators Dr. S. Senthil Kumar, Assoc. Prof. (Agrl. Extn) and Dr. M. Thilagam, Asst. Prof (Agrl. Extn.) explained the activities to be carried out by Amrit Interns.

Earlier Dr. A. Sakunthalai, Professor and Head, Dept. of Agrl.Extension and Communication, ADAC&RI, Trichy and Amrit Co-ordinator organized the Inaugural meeting and welcomed the gatherings. The students queries were answered and clarified as and when they raised. The students were facilitated with ID — Cards, T— Shirts and caps and training kit with food and refreshment. The programme was successfully completed with formal vote of thanks by Dr.T.Sujaivelu, Assistant Professor (Agrl. Extension), ADAC & RI, Trichy.

The students have been attached with the ADAs of different blocks in Trichy District with the support of JDA. The cropping pattern, soil types and farmers details were provided to the students.

The survey was completed in almost all the farmer's fields. The collected information is being uploaded by the students.