

Focus on improving farmers' income

- Staff Reporter

High-yielding crops, intercropping and infusion of value-addition techniques could enhance farmer's income and livelihood, former Deputy Director General (Horticulture), Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), K.L. Chadha has said.

Dr. Chadha was inaugurating a two-day national seminar on 'Plantation-based Cropping System for Improving Livelihood Security,' organised as part of realising Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision to double farmers income by 2020, at the Central Plantation Crops Research Institute (CPCRI) here on Friday.

Addressing the function, P. Rethinam, former Executive Director of the Asia Pacific Coconut Community, Jakarta, suggested that the CPCRI demonstrate its technologies, particularly integrated farming system, in plots of 100 farmers to celebrate its 100th anniversary.

CPCRI Director P. Chowdappa, in his introductory remarks, briefed the achievements of the CPCRI.

The function saw launching of three varieties of crops — kalpa shatabdhi in coconut, shatamangala in areca nut, and netra centura in cocoa. A coconut sugar-based chocolate was also launched to mark the centenary year celebration of the institute.

Over 100 delegates and stakeholders attended the programme.

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