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Explore environment friendly scientific farming ways and means: Governor to scientists

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Brig. (Dr.) B.D. Mishra (Retd) met Dr. R.C. Shakywar, Assistant Professor and Shri Arun Kumar Singh, Technical Staff, of the College of Horticulture & Forestry, Pasighat at Raj Bhavan, Itanagar. The College of Horticulture & Forestry is a constituent College of the Central Agricultural University, Imphal, Manipur.

In the meeting, the Governor emphasised that the new and innovative technologies in the field of Agriculture, Horticulture and allied sectors must transit from Laboratories to Land. Such proactive role of the educational institutions in this field will facilitate in progress of our youth and agrarian community and motivate them towards agriculture entrepreneurship, scientific and mechanised farming, organic farming, use of organic manures and organic pesticide and insecticides, he said.

Stating that 60% of the total population of Arunachal Pradesh is engaged in agriculture and its allied sectors, the Governor called upon the scientists and researchers to carry out diverse and extensive research programmes that will help in the transfer of locally suited technology to the end-users, the farmers, traders and growers. He also suggested that the specialized institutes should carry out research for increasing the local crops and fruits and demonstrate horticultural processes for organic tea, rubber and oil palm, which will be profitable and rewarding for the people.

The Governor said that the scientist of institutions like College of Horticulture & Forestry, Pasighat, North Eastern Institute of Science and Technology (NERIST), Nirjuli, National Institute of Technology (NIT), Yupia and Rajiv Gandhi University (RGU), Rono Hills, Doimiukh must explore environment friendly scientific ways and means, which will be beneficial to the last man in the queue of the agrarian community.

As a pilot project, an Oil Palm plantation is going to be taken up in the Raj Bhavan campus. Organic pesticides and vermin compost, which are locally available and eco-friendly, will be used in the project.

PRO to Governor
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