The Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Agriculture visited ICAR Research Complex and interacted with the farmers at Lembucherra, West Tripura

Today on 16th October 2015, the Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Agriculture, Govt. of India, Shri Mohanbhai Kalyanjibhai Kundariya visited ICAR Research Complex for NEH region, Tripura Centre at Lembucherra, West Tripura. First, the Hon'ble Union Minister inaugurated the foundation stone of All India Coordinated Research Project (AICRP) on Pigs at ICAR livestock farm. This project has been launched to investigate the performance of Tripura local Mali pigs and improve the performance of Mali pigs through crossbreeding programme, nutritional technologies etc. Thereafter, the Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Agriculture, Govt. of India, Shri Mohanbhai Kalyanjibhai Kundariya inaugurated 'Technology Showcase and Farmers' Meet' function by lightning the lamp and observed the exhibition. The demonstration of technologies was depicted through live materials and posters for the delegates. More than 500 people including state dignitaries, scientists, staff of ICAR and 400 farmers from different districts of Tripura witnessed this auspicious function.

At the outset, the Joint Director of ICAR Research Complex for NEH Region, Tripura Centre, Dr. M. Datta welcomed the Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Agriculture and thereafter all the dignitaries, scientists, KVK Personnels from different KVKs and farmers. He narrated in brief the achievements of ICAR, Tripura centre implemented in farmers' field during last few years. The Director of ICAR Research Complex for NEH Region, Meghalaya, Dr. S.V. Ngachan expressed his gratitude to the Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Agriculture for his visit to ICAR, Tripura centre and addressed the huge gathering with a precise description of ICAR activities in operation across the region.

The Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Agriculture, Govt. of India, Shri Mohanbhai Kalyanjibhai Kundariya praised the Director, Joint Director, scientists and all staff of ICAR, Tripura centre for taking research and developmental works for the benefit of the farmers. He suggested to conduct research in favor of bringing about low- cost, eco- friendly agricultural technologies for the region. The Hon'ble Union Minister encouraged the farmers for practicing organic farming as well as crop insurance. He released a book on soil health card written by Dr. M. Datta, Joint Director of ICAR Research Complex, Tripura Centre. The Hon'ble Union Minister emphasized the importance of such soil health card.

The Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Agriculture handed over different materials like seeds of various crops, mango saplings, mushroom spawn, fish yearlings, poultry birds and piglets among the farmers. All the Scientists, Technical Staff, Project Staff, Administrative Staff and TSM employees of ICAR, Tripura Centre actively participated and have made the function a grand success. The programme was coordinated by Dr. S. P. Das, Principal Scientist (Plant Breeding), ICAR Tripura Centre.



Shri Mohanbhai Kalyanjibhai Kundariya, Hon'ble Union Minister of State (Agriculture and Farmer's Welfare), Govt. of India, laying foundation stone for AICRP (Pig) at ICAR, Tripura.



Shri Mohanbhai Kalyanjibhai Kundariya, Hon'ble Union Minister of State (Agriculture and Farmer's Welfare), Govt. of India, visiting the exhibition of Technology Showcase at ICAR, Tripura.



Shri Mohanbhai Kalyanjibhai Kundariya, Hon'ble Union Minister of State (Agriculture and Farmer's Welfare), Govt. of India, is felicitated by the Director, Dr. S. V. Ngachan, ICAR RC for NEH.



Shri Mohanbhai Kalyanjibhai Kundariya, Hon'ble Union Minister of State (Agriculture and Farmer's Welfare), Govt. of India, addressing the farmers (400 Nos.) at ICAR Tripura.









Shri Mohanbhai Kalyanjibhai Kundariya, Hon'ble Union Minister of State (Agriculture and Farmer's Welfare), Govt. of India, distributing quality fingerlings, piglets, fruit plants and seeds to the farmers and releasing the publications on Soil health Card.