

## ICAR-Indian Institute of Soil Science Celebrated National Productivity Week during 12-18 February 2019

ICAR-IISS, Bhopal celebrated National Productivity Week with great zeal and enthusiasm during 12-18 February 2019. The inaugural function of **National Productivity Week** under the theme of "Circular economy for productivity and sustainability" was conducted on 12<sup>th</sup> Feb 2019 at 11:00 AM in the institute premises. Dr. R. Elanchezian, Organizing Secretary, briefed about the importance of National Productivity Week and various activities during the weeklong celebration. Dr. M.C. Manna, I/c Director ICAR-IISS, addressed the gathering and emphasized the need for productivity enhancement and sustainability in agriculture with special reference to crop residues and agricultural waste management. Dr. A.B. Singh, Principal Scientist discussed about farmers-scientist interaction meet to be organized at ICAR-IISS during the week. All the staff of ICAR-IISS participated in the function. Details of various activities are given below:



### Essay and Slogan Competition

An Essay competition on the theme "Circular economy for productivity and sustainability" was conducted on 13<sup>th</sup> February 2019. In addition, a painting competition was conducted on the same theme on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2019 followed by slogan and quiz competition was also conducted on 16<sup>th</sup> February 2019. The all staff members of the institute participated in all the programs.

The best adjudged slogans were as follows:

1. मिट्टी, पानी, फसल, अवशेष का होगा साथ ।  
चक्रिय अर्थ-व्यवस्था के साथ उत्पादकता होगी खास ।।
2. खेती हो या उद्योग ।  
वृत्तीय अर्थ-व्यवस्था का करे उपयोग ।।
3. चक्रिय अर्थ-व्यवस्था से बढ़ेगी उत्पादकता ।  
जिससे मजबूत होगी अर्थ-व्यवस्था ।।

The best adjudged painting work is given below



## Farmers-scientist interaction meet

A farmers-scientists interaction meet was organized at ICAR-IISS Bhopal on 15<sup>th</sup> Feb 2019 and on 18<sup>th</sup> Feb 2019. More than 50 farmers from different villages of Bhopal district which were adopted by ICAR-IISS Bhopal under Mera Gaon Mera Gaurav and Farmer FIRST projects at Bhairapura, Kanch Bavli, Kamkheda, Parwalia Sadak, Gol Khedi, Karond Khurd, Diwaniya, Pipaliya Bajkhan and Intkhedi participated in the interaction on 15<sup>th</sup> Feb 2019 at 11:00 AM in the forenoon session. In this meet, farmers raised their queries on several issues such as health management; organic farming technologies, biotic stress management in crops, conservation agriculture, mushroom production, horticultural crop production and several related problems. Dr. Ashok K. Patra, Director, Dr. A.B. Singh, Principal Scientist, Dr. R. Elanchezian, Principal Scientist, Dr P. Tripathi, Principal Scientist, Dr A.K. Vishwakarma, Pr. Scientist, Dr. J. Somasundaram, Dr. A.L. Kamble and all Project Coordinators and Heads of Divisions and scientists were participated in the discussions.



## Valedictory function

The valedictory function of National Productivity Week was held on 18th February 2019 after farmers-scientist Interaction Meet. Dr. R. Elanchezian, Organizing Secretary briefed various programs organized during National Productivity Week. Dr. A.B. Singh, Principal Scientist gave a detailed account of farmers-scientist interaction meet. Dr. Ashok K. Patra, Director ICAR-IISS & Chairman, National Productivity Week Celebration addressed the staff and gave his remarks on productivity enhancement in agriculture and felicitated the the farmers and winners of various competitions organized during the week. All the staff of ICAR-IISS participated in the function and Dr. A.K.Vishwakarma, Principal Scientist proposed a formal vote of thanks.

