

KRISHAK MAHILA SANGHOSTI

Krishak Mahila Sanghosti was organised on the occasion of International women's day on 8th March, 2017 at Village Amoni, near Vidisha road, Bhopal. The participants were farm women, housewives, girls, anganwadi and health workers from village Amoni and Prempura. Also all women staff of Indian Institute of Soil Science participated in the programme with great fervour and gaiety. The training programme was graced by guests Shrimati S K Bharati (Scientist, Home science, KVK), Shrimati Rina Patra, Dr. A. K. Patra (Director, IISS) Shri R. K. Giri (Administrative officer, IISS). The programme started with brief introduction, importance and history of celebrating International women's day by Dr. K. Bharati Chairman Women Cell. Shrimati S K Bharati (Scientist, Home science, KVK) highlighted the importance of post harvest processing of fruits and vegetables. She imparted training to participants on soya based products, Amla candy, pickle making, etc. The nutritive value of each product and the recipe was shared vividly by her. Mrs. Rina Patra emphasized on the importance of women empowerment, women rights and development in all spheres of life. She said this could be achieved through responsive judicial and legal system sensitive to women and mainstreaming a gender perspective in the development process. Dr. Sangeeta Lenka, Co-Principal Investigator, NICRA project sensitized and educated the participants and audience on role of farm women in Climate change adaptation and mitigation. Social learning leads to greater adoption of Climate Smart Agriculture. Dr. A. K. Patra, director, IISS addressed the gathering on gender equality and empowerment of all women and girls. Women are important element of society and society should recognize the individual identity of women. Mr. R. K. Giri, administrative officer, Indian Institute of Soil Science, addressed the gathering on girl education and socio economic impact of female education. If girls are not educated they are exposed to inequalities, disadvantages and vulnerabilities. The programme ended with vote of thanks by Mrs. Babita Tiwari. The farm women and other participants appreciated the event and have given a positive feedback on the programme. They have expressed their desire and willingness to participate in six days training programme given by Shrimati S K Bharati, KVK, Central Institute of Agricultural engineering on post harvest food processing.

