

Celebration of International Women's Day, 2023 at ICAR-CAFRI, Jhansi

International Women's Day 2023 was organized by ICAR-Central Agroforestry Research Institute, Jhansi on 8th March, 2023 under the UN theme 'DigitALL – Technology and innovation for gender equality'. The women employees of ICAR - CAFRI have graced the occasion and shared their strong opinions on gender equality and equity.

The program has started with an introduction about the history and importance of International Women's Day by Dr. M. Ashajyothi, Scientist (Plant Pathology), CAFRI, Jhansi. Dr. Ashajyothi highlighted the importance of gender equality, discussed about the current missions on women at work to promote inclusive work culture and to celebrate women's achievements, women empowerment and women health to take informed decisions. Dr. AK Handa, Principal Scientist (Agroforestry) addressed the gathering and given his perspective on gender equality by saying 'the change should start from one's home and then only the equality can be seen in the society'. Further Dr. Naresh Kumar, Principal Scientist (Agroforestry) and Dr. Dwivedi, Principal Scientist (Agricultural Extension) also addressed the gathering and highlighted the importance of girl child education. Later Mrs. Kirti Chaturvedi, Mrs. Shailja, Mrs. Kousalya Devi and female project staff had shared their experiences and achievements. Finally, Dr. Sovan Debnath modulated the pledge taking ceremony 'to break the bias and embrace the equity', all the participants have taken pledge.

The program was modulated and concluded with vote of thanks by Dr. M. Ashajyothi, Scientist (Plant Pathology).

All the scientists, administrative staff, project staff and students of ICAR-CAFRI actively participated in the event.

Sincerely

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