



Brief Report on the Guest Lecture

On

“IFS: A model for sustainable livelihood security of small and marginal holder”

Organized by the Department of Agriculture

July 17, 2021

The Department of Agriculture organized an Expert Lecture on the topic **“IFS: A model for sustainable livelihood security of small and marginal holder”** on July 17, 2021 in Seminar Hall, Agricultural Block, IIAST The Guest Speaker was Dr. Rajiv Kumar Principal Scientist, Division of Agronomy, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi, India. His research areas include Seed Agronomy, Nutrient Management in Conservation Agriculture and IFS Model. The Guest Lecture commenced with the Welcome Address of Dr. Saba Siddiqui, Department of Agriculture who welcomed the Guest followed by a short speech on the importance of the orientation of teachers towards understanding of the skill of Integrated Farming System.

The Guest Speaker Dr. Rajiv Kumar his talk regarding IFS model that was found to be potential to improve the farmers livelihood by producing a variety of produce, on-farm resource recycling and enhancing the farmers' income. He also emphasized that a good IFS aims at least dependence on outside resources and well-organized recycling of available farm resources. Around **100 students** of UG & PG students of different programs running in the university attended the lecture, and all the queries put forward by the audience were categorically addressed by the expert. The audience found it very informative and quite relevant to the problem formulation for project dissertation work. The lecture helped the participants in understanding the objective of the research study and set the hypothesis and formulation of the problems. The event was concluded with a vote of thanks. The program was actively supported by all the members of the Department.