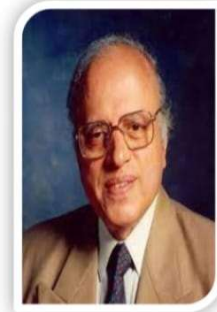
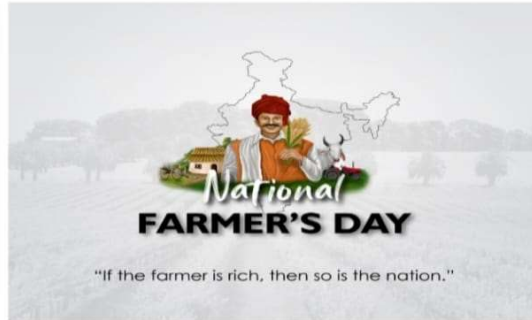
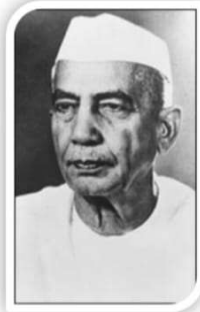


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National Farmers Day -2023 Celebrations



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Department of Economics organized the National Farmers Day-2023 on 23-12-2023 at 12.30 PM @ room number 16. This programme was chaired by Dr. Rajana Balayya, In-charge Department of Economics, Government College (A) Rajahmundry. This programme was also attended by Academic Coordinator Dr. D Sanjeev Kumar, Senior Economics Faculty Sri. K Ananda Rao, Sri Ch. Sanjeev Kumar, Sri V.S Saladi, Dr.A Prasad, Ch. Gandhimani, A Keerthi, K.V Ganesh Kumar, DDS Laksmi . A score of 40 plus students were also presented in these celebrations.



The president of the event, Dr. Rajana Balayya spoke on the farmers day importance and highlighted the recent Supreme Court hearing stating that *“Justice Sudhanshu Dhulia, on November 21 said it was necessary to hear the farmer before painting him a “villain” who deliberately set his paddy fields ablaze to add his share to the toxic fumes hunkering over the national capital. You are all making him [the farmer] a villain. He is not a villain. He must be having reasons for what he is doing. He is the only person who can tell us why he is doing it. But he is not here... The ‘villain’ is not being heard. He should come,” Justice Dhulia said.*

In the light of the above case hearing, Dr. Balayya narrated the background of the stubble burning around the NCT of Delhi. He also spoke on the enormous contribution made by the great persona, Sri Chowdary Charan Singh on whose birthday is being celebrated as National Farmers Day. Further, he addressed the student gathering on the noble profession of farming without which millions of population would have starved.



Sri K. Ananda Rao, Senior Faculty in the Department of Economics, in his address, Rao emphasized the pivotal role played by farmers in sustaining the nation's economy and food security. He underscored the need for acknowledging the tireless efforts of farmers who toil relentlessly to feed the growing population.

He highlighted the challenges faced by farmers, ranging from unpredictable weather patterns to market fluctuations, and called for comprehensive support systems. He emphasized the importance of empowering farmers through technological advancements, better irrigation facilities, and access to credit. He also stressed the significance of sustainable agricultural practices to ensure long-term environmental health. Expressing appreciation for the government's initiatives in the agricultural sector, Rao urged for continued efforts to address the concerns of farmers, such as fair pricing and crop insurance. He encouraged collaboration between farmers and policymakers to create policies that genuinely benefit the agricultural community. He opined that National Farmers Day 2023 served as a rallying call for recognizing the invaluable contributions of farmers and working collectively towards a robust and sustainable agricultural future.



National Farmers Day 2023 centered around the theme "Cultivating the Future: Innovation and Sustainability in Agriculture," as eloquently articulated by Dr. D Sanjeev Kumar, Academic Coordinator of Government College Rajahmundry. Dr. Kumar emphasized the critical role of innovation in shaping the agricultural landscape, advocating for the integration of cutting-edge technologies to enhance productivity and efficiency.

He underscored the importance of sustainable practices, urging farmers to adopt environmentally conscious approaches. Dr. Sanjeev highlighted the

need for research and education to play a pivotal role in disseminating knowledge on modern agricultural methods. His address resonated with a call to action, encouraging farmers to embrace innovation while prioritizing sustainability to ensure a resilient and prosperous future for agriculture in the nation.



Sri V. Sivaji Saladi addressed the Union Farming Bills, Movement, agrarian distress, and Minimum Support in a concise yet impactful manner. He highlighted the concerns surrounding the Farm Bills, acknowledging the erstwhile farmer's movement as a response to perceived threats to their livelihoods. Saladi emphasized the pressing issue of agrarian distress, shedding light on the challenges faced by farmers.

He underscored the importance of a robust Minimum Support Price (MSP) system to safeguard farmers' interests and ensure fair remuneration. Saladi called for a balanced dialogue between the government and farmers to address their apprehensions. In his address, he stressed the need for comprehensive reforms that consider the welfare of farmers and ensure the sustainability of the agricultural sector.



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In his concluding remarks on National Farmers Day 2023, Sri. Ch Sanjeev Kumar expressed heartfelt gratitude to all participants for their unwavering commitment to honoring and supporting the farming community. He reflected on the significance of the discussions and initiatives undertaken throughout the day, emphasizing the collective responsibility to uplift and empower farmers.

Sri. Kumar extended a sincere vote of thanks to the participants, including farmers, policymakers, and advocates, for their invaluable contributions. He highlighted the need for continued collaboration and concerted efforts to address challenges in the agricultural sector. Kumar concluded by expressing optimism for a future where farmers receive the recognition and support they rightfully deserve, ensuring the prosperity and sustainability of agriculture in the nation