

## Foundation Day of ICAR-ATARI Kolkata celebrated

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The Foundation Day of ICAR-Agricultural Technology Application Research Institute Kolkata has been celebrated for the first time today. Dr. S. S. Singh, Director, ICAR-ATARI Kolkata Chaired the function. In welcome address, Dr. Singh briefed about the salient achievements and future role of this institute in catering the needs of the farmers in this country. Dr. D. J. Roy, Former Zonal Coordinator of Zonal Coordinating Unit, Zone II graced the occasion as Chief Guest. He described in details about the establishment of the then Zonal Coordinating Unit, then to Zonal Project Directorate and its gradual development into the Institute of present form. Dr. D. C. Nayak, Head, ICAR-National Bureau of Soil Survey and Land Use Planning (ICAR-NBSS &LUP) Kolkata Centre highlighted the importance of Foundation Day celebration and the role of scientists in achieving the objectives/ mandates of the institutes. Retired staff members, scientific, technical, administrative and other staff along with their family members attended the programme. In the occasion, indoor and outdoor games were organized and everybody participated with keen interest in various games. In the evening, one cultural programme was also organized by the staff members of the institute. After prize distribution ceremony, in the concluding remarks, Dr. S. S. Singh urged all the staff to do their duties sincerely and also to maintain the trend of this kind of celebration every year.

The celebration came to an end with a great sense of joy and fervour among all.



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