

Workshop on “Reinventing Extension System for Agricultural Transformation” organized

25 August, 2023, Bhubaneswar

A workshop on reinventing extension system for agricultural transformation was organized by Directorate of Extension Education, OUAT Bhubaneswar for KVKs of Odisha under the jurisdiction of ICAR-ATARI, Kolkata. At the outset, the Dean Extension Education, OUAT, Prof. P. Mishra while welcoming the Guest Speakers and participants highlighted the need of organizing such workshop to reorient the extension specialists make them capable to face the changing agricultural scenario of the nation. The Vice-Chancellor of the University, Prof. P.K. Roul inaugurated the programme and hoped that such type of workshops will certainly fulfil the generational gap in the changing paradigm of extension system. Dr. P. Das Ex- DDG(AE), ICAR spoke on the changes occurred in the agricultural extension system within the last century around the globe and the need of smart steps to be taken up for sustainable food production system. Dr. R.K. Samanta, Ex-Vice-Chancellor, BCKV spoke on the expected role of an extension worker in the change in agricultural scenario. Dr. Pradip Dey, Director, ICAR-ATARI, Kolkata presented the extension approaches for Amrit Kaal and hoped that KVKs should address marketable surplus issues in the agricultural production system to provide farmers’ better return. Dr. A.K. Mohanty, Director, ICAR-ATARI, Shillong told that the extension professionals should take up the new and emerging problems of the farmers to keep their confidence in the system.

In this workshop, besides the Extension Scientist and Senior Scientist & Head of 31 KVKs of Odisha, the Head of Departments and Faculties of Extension Education Departments of the University participated.

