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IT industry Icon Visits GIET Campus

- **Dr. J. A. Chowdary** (Founder and Chairman, International Start Up Foundation, Former Spl. Chief Secretary, IT Advisor to CM, Govt. Andhra Pradesh) had a courtesy visit to GIET University Campus.
- His visit began with an Arecanut plantation at IF-1 followed by an interactive session with faculties and on various products of **Vriksha Sampanna Agrocare Pvt. Ltd.**
- He assessed the perspectives of the products and intended to scaling up and marketing through rural youths of the region.
- After his exploration, he proposed to conduct the First-Ever **Junicorn (Cohort 3-India)** in the campus.



Developing Innovation Culture and Entrepreneurship (DICE) in PM SHRI Schools



Purpose: To inculcate the young minds on local existing problems and out-of-the-box thinking for their solutions.

SoAg, GIET University initiated an interaction with the students of Govt. Boys' High School, Jagannathpur (PM SHRI School), Rayagada on identifying the problems related to Agriculture and allied sectors and how to resolve them through Innovation Culture and Entrepreneurship.



Transplanting of Paddy by Students



- The 7th Semester RAWE (Rural Agricultural Work Experience) Program concluded successfully after three months of field activities.
- The program provided students with valuable hands-on experience in agricultural practices and rural engagements.
- Students also conducted method demonstrations of various natural farming products and practices across four villages (Bhamini, Panasaguda, Limapadar and Bharsing).



From Vision to Impact: Inspiring the Next Generation of Agripreneurs at Startup Odisha



Mr. A. K. Mishra, Director of **Vrikshaa Sampanna Agrocure Pvt. Ltd.**, shared the startup's success story and entrepreneurial journey during the **TEJAS Programme**, organised by **Startup Odisha** in collaboration with **DPIIT** and in association with **ACIC-GIET University Foundation**.

He highlighted the startup's journey, key achievements, challenges, and contributions towards promoting innovative and sustainable agricultural practices, inspiring the aspiring entrepreneurs to pursue impactful ventures in the agriculture sector.



Capacity Building Programme: ICAR Natural Farming Project (NMNF-CRG-101)



A series of Natural Farming awareness and capacity-building programmes were conducted for farmers across Rayagada and Gajapati districts, reaching 280 farmers.

Through hands-on demonstrations, expert-led sessions, participants gained practical knowledge on soil health, low-cost farming, along with the preparation and application of bio-inputs such as Jeevamrut, Beejamrut etc., to strengthen their capacity for sustainable crop production.

Rooted in Sustainability: **Empowering Farmers with Organic Cultivation**

The SoAg in association with ACIC-GIET University Foundation, conducted an outreach programme on “Organic Cultivation Practices and their Benefits” for tribal farmers at ITI, Malkangiri, on September 19, 2026.

The session covered the preparation and application of vermicompost and vermivash, their role in improving soil health and crop productivity, and the conversion of farm and organic waste into valuable agricultural inputs.



Farm Glimpses



Coconut Saplings



Cucumber



Bottle Gourd



Tulsi Plantation



Palmarosa Plantation

Layout and Transplanting of HP-1 seedlings: Akshay Seeds Pvt. Ltd.



Layout and sowing of Castor (Short duration) for IAVHT: ICAR- IIOR



From Lab to Land: Sowing Innovation, Disseminating Knowledge



Farmers' Exposure Visit: Kashinagar, Gajapati



Farmers Visiting Farm Machinery Unit



Farmers' Exposure Visit: Gajapati



Farmers visiting Vermicompost Unit

Students' Achievement Corner

NSS Mega Blood Donation Camp & Student Achievements

SoAg. students actively participated in the camp.

Notable achievements:

- Bijaya Laxmi Parida - 2nd Prize, Quiz Competition.
- Sourav Kumar Gomango - 3rd Prize, Essay Competition.
- Satyam Subham Tarai - 3rd Prize, Quiz Competition.
- Prachiti Anura Mahanand - 3rd Prize, Quiz Competition



Participants of SoAg got recognition at ICEI Short Video Competition 2026

Dr. Rajeswari Das, Dr. Anmol Panda, Mr. Varanasi Adarsh, Mr. Amit Kumar Padhi, and Mr. Prashant Kumar Dash secured a Consolation Prize in the ICEI Short Video Competition 2026, organised by the International Cooperative Alliance – Asia and Pacific (ICA-AP), Committee on Cooperatives in Educational Institutions (ICEI), under the sub-theme "Environmental and Social Impact of Cooperatives."

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