

**Report on
Campaign on Nutri- Garden and Tree Plantation
Curtain Raiser on the eve of International Year of Millets 2023**

**Organized by
ICAR-Directorate of Floriculture Research, Pune on 17th September, 2021.**

At MGMG Adopted Village

The ICAR- Directorate of Floriculture Research, Pune organized “Campaign on Nutri- Garden and Tree Plantation as part of the Curtain Raiser of the International Year of Millets- 2023 on 17th September, 2021 at Kusr village of Junnar taluka of Pune district. A team of Scientists comprising of Dr.P.Naveen Kumar, Dr.D.M.Firake, Dr.Sanjay Kad, Dr. Rahul Yadav and Dr. Harish conducted the campaign at the village.

- A total of 96 participants (includes 32 girls, 41 women & 23 male farmers and school teacher) participated in the programme at Kusr village Junnar, Pune district.
- Awareness was accomplished on types of millets and nutri-cereals and their importance in improving human health especially among girls and women in rural areas.
- Ragi based nutri-food product was distributed among the 71 girls, Children 15 and farm women
- Explained the importance of vegetables in human diet and tips for establishing a kitchen garden in the front/back yards
- Vegetable kits (90) comprising of 6 seasonal vegetables were distributed to girl students and farmers
- Role of tree plantation on sustainable agriculture and rural livelihood was elucidated by giving information on different flowering trees and fruit trees
- Importance of eco-friendly management of pests was highlighted among farmers for getting chemical residual free food for consumption.
- 100 plants of aonla species were planted in farmer’s fields, community areas and school of the village. In tree plantation drive, school children’s specially girls, women and the farmers actively participated.

At ICAR-DFR, Pune

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- A total of 80 plants of 4 different species such as *Bombax Ciba* (12), *Ficus sp.* (42), *Plumeria sp.*(15) and *Tecoma sp.* (12) were planted at ICAR-DFR, Hadapsar Farm campus,

Regional Station, Kadiam, A. P.

- A special tree plant plantation drive was organized by all the Scientific staff around the newly renovated building to improve the surrounding environment.
- A total of 50 plants *Terminalia Mantaly* (20), *Michelia Champaca* (30), were planted.