

IGKV's Student App e-KrishiPathshala launched at Chhattisgarh

In a simple yet glittering online ceremony on 9th November 2020, the android based Student mobile App e-KrishiPathshala has been inaugurated at Indira Gandhi Krishi Vishwavidyalay (IGKV), Raipur by the Chief Guest Dr. R. C. Agrawal, Deputy Director General (Agril. Education) ICAR, New Delhi. At IGKV the dignitaries present include Prof. Dr. S. K. Patil, VC, IGKV, Raipur, Dr. A. K. Hota, DDG & SIO, NIC Chhattisgarh and other officials from IGKV and NIC. Principals, Deans and other officials joined virtually and witnessed the function.



At the outset the function began with warm wishes to the Vice Chancellor Dr. Patil on his birthday followed by welcome address of **Prof (Dr.) M.P. Thakur, Director of Instruction, IGKV Raipur.**



The Mobile App e-KrishiPathshala was then inaugurated by Dr. R. C. Agrawal, Deputy Director General (Agril. Education) ICAR by running a video of unveiling.



Detailed presentation of the mobile App was given by **Prof. (Dr.) Ravi Saxena, Nodal Officer, IGMIS, Raipur** wherein he performed a tour of entire Application elaborating on its various functionalities. The Android based Mobile App e-KrishiPathshala has been developed by IGKV and NIC Raipur with a view to facilitate Agriculture university students to carry out learning activities online in the prevailing pandemic times. The App provides separate login facility to Faculty and Students.

Faculty members can upload study material (in Hindi & English), Assignments, video lectures, create examination question papers and fix exam schedule. They can also evaluate assignments and answers and record the marks for each student. The dashboard provides the complete details of enrolled students, number of students who downloaded the study material, Assignments, appeared for exams etc. They can also respond to student queries. The examination papers can be created offline and uploaded or it can be MCQ format online exam.



Students on the other hand can view the video lectures of their courses uploaded by the professors of their college as well as other colleges affiliated to IGKV. They can download assignments, appear for exams online at specified time and upload the answer papers. They can post their queries regarding any topic pertaining to their registered courses and get the responses of the concerned professors. Mock test facility has also been provided to enable students prepare for the examinations. Student can see important Certificates, SRC, Registration card, Exam results and other important information on login page.



Prof. (Dr.) S. K. Patil, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor in his address presented an account of good work being undertaken in e-Governance for IGKV with great support of dedicated team of NIC. He highlighted the advantages a student can have through eKrishiPathshala, ease and convenience it can bring to the Faculty in view of these days of uncertainty and threat posed by the pandemic.

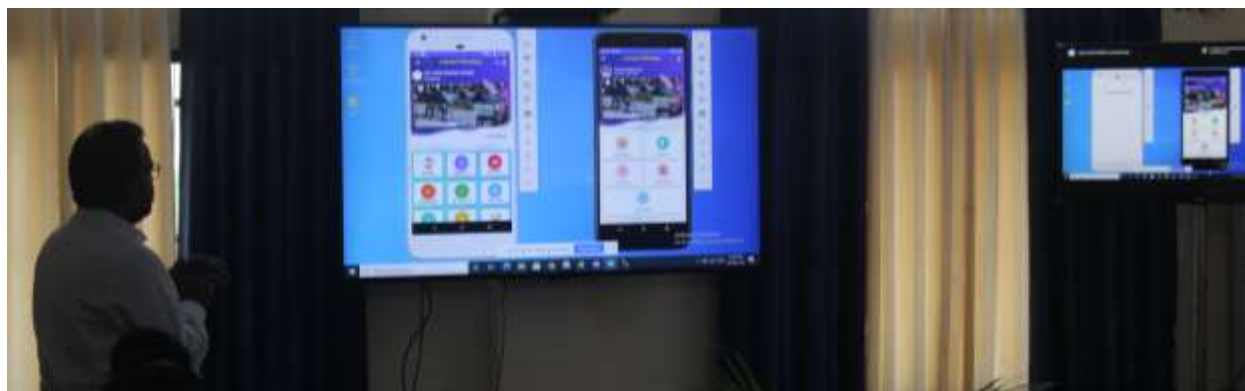


The Chief Guest Dr. R. C. Agrawal, DDG (Agril. Education) ICAR, while congratulating the IGKV and NIC for the brilliant work, expressed confidence that the Mobile Application could go a long way towards not only offering a new learning experience to students but also adding to the efficiency of faculty. He termed the achievement as yet another feather in the cap of IGKV's e-Governance

initiatives. He further suggested to invite suggestions from students and faculty to make it generic so that other Agriculture Universities in the country can also adopt and benefit from it. A Brochure on e-KrishiPathshala was released on the occasion.



Dr. Ashok Kumar Hota, DDG & SIO, Chhattisgarh in his address expressed happiness that IGKV, Raipur has been undertaking good initiative in all important Agriculture Sector as in India more than 50% of workforce work in agriculture and also 18% of GDP comes from agriculture. He felt agriculture Universities and their research activities are contributing in a positive way to the growth of the country and particularly in the context of learning the IGKV is coming up with innovative ideas and contents that will add to the quality of the App. He further asserted that on behalf of NIC it is being planned to augment this application with Artificial Intelligence by incorporating techniques like Face Recognition, eye ball movement recognition to detect malpractices in examinations etc.



The function came to an end with vote of thanks by Dr. Ravi Saxena. The mobile App e-KrishiPathshala has been developed by the team lead **Mr. Abhijeet Kaushik, Scientist-C, NIC cell IGKV.** **Mr. Y. V. Sreenivasa Rao, Scientist-F, NIC CGSU** is the project coordinator.