



Exhibition on Millets

A four day exhibition on Millet was conducted by the ATMA, Koraput in collaboration with WASSAN on the occasion of Durgapuja from date 27.9.17 to 30.9.17 at Jeypore New Bustand. The exhibition was inaugurated by the Deputy Director of Agriculture, Koraput (Jeypore), Mr. Kalidash Biswas officially in the evening along with other officials. There were around ten stalls opened for the display of different Agricultural equipment, seedlings of various plants, along with the three Millet Value added products stalls. The main objective of the exhibition was to spread the knowledge of various nutritional values of the Millets such as- Suan, Kangu, Mandia, Kodo, Jana and these millets are available in the district however some of them are declining through the years. In this exhibition 42 different types of millets were displayed.

Each day was crowded with people especially women from the tribal villages and towns of the Koraput District in the exhibition stalls and visited the stalls of the millet seedlings, herbarium and, millet seeds. Other attraction of this event was the different type of millet value added food stalls, where people tasted each product and enjoyed them.

Around Ten thousand people from the district especially tribal people visited the millet food stalls and, had a taste of the products for free and knew the types of millet foods can be made apart from existing traditional millet food products.

The FAs of Koraput - (MSSRF, Dhan Foundation, Harsha Trust, PRADAN, Pragati, CYSD) with support of WASSAN working under the Millet Mission Program in different blocks such as Boipariguda, Borigumma, Nandapur, Semiliguda, Dashmanthpur, Lamtaput and Kundra had displayed different types of millet, agronomic practices like SMI methods, Line transplant, Log Rolling, weeder and many more through Photographs and flexes. In other stalls of the exhibition,

Agriculture Department displayed vermi-compost and Combined Harvester, power tillage implement, planter, tractor and other farm machinery.

The Deputy Director ATMA Jeypore, Mr. Dharendra Singh Bariha, Assistant agriculture officer FIC Jeypore Mr. Purna Chandra Burudi, Quality control officer Mr. G.V. Reddy, and Program officer from WASSAN Siba Sankar Sethi contributed a lot to the success of the Exhibition.