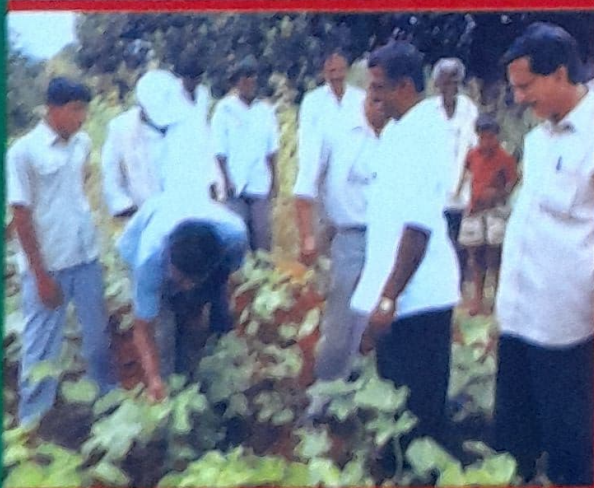


Krishi Vigyan Kendra Hirehalli

– An Introduction



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With the basic objective of assessment, refinement and demonstration of technologies/products developed under the National Agricultural Research System and further dissemination of the same to the farming community at its grassroots levels, and training farmers, farm women, rural youth and grass root level extension functionaries, the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) has taken up agricultural extension activities through a network of Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVK). Till date the ICAR has already established a net work of 600 Krishi Vigyan Kendras throughout the nation, situated either in ICAR institutes or in State Agricultural Universities or managed by NGO's for the benefit of farmers at large. Establishment of Krishi Vigyan Kendra, at Hirehalli, District Tumkur, Karnataka is yet an another step in this direction. Established on March 24, 2009, the KVK will cater to the developmental needs of the farming community of Tumkur district of Karnataka, in the fields of agriculture, horticulture, animal sciences, fisheries and other allied fields with the following mandate and objectives.

Mandate

To disseminate the viable and sustainable technologies developed and refine the same in the fields of Agriculture, Horticulture, Animal Science, Fisheries and other allied fields for the benefit of farmers of Tumkur district of Karnataka.

Objectives

I. Dissemination of the viable and sustainable technologies/products in the fields of Agriculture, Horticulture, Animal Sciences, Fisheries and other allied fields through;

- (i) On farm testing of available and popular technologies to assess their relevance, and to identify their location specificity under various farming systems.
- (ii) Frontline demonstrations of technologies to establish the production potentials of the technologies in the farmer's fields.
- (iii) Update the knowledge and skills of farmers in modern agricultural technologies through training of farmers at the KVK.
- (iv) Update the knowledge and skills of extension and development personnel through orientation training in the frontier areas of technology development.

II. To act as a resource and knowledge centre of agricultural technologies for the region.

III. Create awareness about improved technologies through various tools of extension and strong extension machinery.

IV. Produce and distribute elite planting and seed materials of high yielding varieties/hybrids of agri-horticultural crops.

The Kendra

The Krishi Vigyan Kendra is situated near the Railway station of Hirehalli in Tumkur district of Karnataka, 58kms away from Bangalore, on Bangalore-Pune National Highway - 4. This Kendra has 40 acres of land with 36 acres under well laid out farm. The office complex is spread over four acres land, has an office building with laboratories, classrooms, library, ATIC counter, and provided with all infrastructural facilities. Poly houses, net houses, nursery for propagation and distribution of plant materials, vegetable seed production facilities, threshing yard, godown etc are also available in the farm. The average rainfall at the station is 800mm.

Headed by a Team of Programme Co-ordinator and supported by Subject Matter Specialists in various disciplines and other supporting staff, and also a strong technical backstop from the Indian Institute of Horticultural Research, Bangalore the Krishi Vigyan Kendra at Hirehalli is all set to take further the mandate and objectives of the KVK under the overall guidance of the Indian Institute of Horticultural Research, Bangalore and the Zonal Project Directorate (Zone VIII), Bangalore.

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Talukas covered

- ❖ Tumkur
- ❖ Sira
- ❖ Koratagere
- ❖ Madhugiri
- ❖ Pavagada

