

‘Shivar Feri’ organised by Dr Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi Vidyapeeth, Akola, Maharashtra from 29th September to 1st October,2023

‘Shivar Feri’ (Farmers Day) was organised in the premises of the Agricultural University by Dr Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi Vidyapeeth (Dr. PDKV), Akola, Maharashtra from 29th September to 1st October,2023.

This year ‘Shivar Feri’ programme of University was inaugurated by the auspicious hands of Hon’ble Shri. Nitin Ji Gadkari, Hon’ble Minister for Road, Transports and Highways, Govt. of India. Hon’ble Shri. Dhananjay Ji Munde, Hon’ble Minister for Agriculture, Maharashtra was the Guest of Honour for the inaugural programme of this event. Hon’ble Vice-Chancellor Dr. S. R Gadakh , Secretary Agricultural Ministry and many local MLA and MP’s were part of the inaugural function.

The three days of ‘Shivar Feri’ included-

1. Live demonstrations of 220 advanced crop production techniques (viz. cereals, pulses, oilseeds, cash crops, forage, vegetables horticultural crops etc.) on 20 acre, with an aim to provide a platform for farmers, researchers, policymakers and industry stakeholders to exchange knowledge, learn about the cutting –edge agricultural practices and explore solutions for enhancing the crop production and productivity while ensuring the sustainable and environmental friendly practices.
2. Sixteen (16) private sector Agri-input companies showcasing their live demonstrations were participated in the event.
3. 1100 ha area located at Central campus, Dr. PDKV., Akola of different department’s was brought under the live demonstrations for visiting farmers to witness of breeder seed production programme and University developed research. On the inaugural day more than 12 thousand farmers visited and participated in the ‘Shivar Feri’.
4. Various discussions for the benefit of the farmers along with the University academician’s, researchers on the challenges and opportunities facing the agricultural sector in Vidarbha regions were organised.
5. Live demonstrations of the *Kharif* Breeder seed production programme of the University is executed on the 1579 ha area at different production centres under the University jurisdiction targeting 18,400 qt. of seed production was demonstrated.

Snap shots of the 'Shivar Feri'

