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The Editor,

Sir,

I request that the following message may kindly be published in your esteemed daily:

TNAU celebrated 114th MASU Foundation Day

Madras Agricultural Students Union celebrated 114th MASU Foundation Day on 14th July, 2025. The Century old evergreen "Madras Agricultural Students Union", a registered body of TNAU was constituted on July 14th, 1911 and was registered as a Society during 1923.

Professor Dr. R. Kannan, President (MASU) welcomed the Chief Guest Dr.P. Govindaraj, Director (Sugarcane Breeding Institute) and Hon'ble Acting Vice Chancellor (TNAU) & Chief Patron (MASU), Dr.R.Tamizh Vendan and Dr. N. Venkatesa Palanichamy, Dean (Agriculture) and Dr. N. Senthil, Director (CPMB & B) & Editor in Chief (MAJ), MASU members and students of TNAU to the 114th MASU day Celebration.

Dr. N. Senthil, Director (CPMB & B) & Editor in Chief (MAJ), briefed the Annual Editorial report and activities of MASU. Dr. M.Murugan, Secretary (MASU) briefed on the MASU Awards 2025 and various student competitions organized at MASU constituent colleges. Editor in Chief described on the milestones achieved my Madras Agricultural Journal in the last two years and deliberated on the future endeavors of MAJ.

Hon'ble Acting Vice Chancellor (TNAU) and Chief Patron (MASU) Dr.R.Tamizh Vendan delivered the Presidential address, in which he highlighted on the history and founding motto of MASU. He also added to the success story of MASU's 114-year publication, Madras Agricultural Journal, and encouraged the student community to publish and improve the standard of MAJ. Chief Patron appreciated the efforts of Executive Committee in re-structuring the MASU awards and including students awards after a decade and enhancing the quality of Madras Agricultural Journal.

Chief Guest Dr. P. Govindaraj, Director (Sugarcane Breeding Institute), Coimbatore on his chief guest address appreciated the efforts of the Union in continuously supporting the student community of TNAU and encouraged the young minds of TNAU to work for the betterment of the society and highlighted how a individual with a positive mindset can bring about extraordinary changes in lives of people. He shared his memories as the alumni of TNAU and added on his student days as a MASU member. He congratulated the award winners and students from all the constituent colleges of TNAU at the MASU award ceremony.

18 eminent scientists from various disciplines of Agriculture received the awards for their outstanding performance in the field of Agricultural research from the Chief Guest & Chief Patron (MASU) in the category of Innovation, Excellence and Agri Tech pathfinder.

Student winners of various competitions from all the 15 constituent colleges of TNAU received prizes from the dignitaries. Over all above 500 students attended the event. The event was followed by MASU General Body Meeting. Professor Dr.N. Balakrishnan, Treasurer (MASU) delivered the Vote of Thanks.

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