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The Editor,

Sir,

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

Science triggers enthusiasm for students to explore – says Director, SBI

The third edition of Agronova 2015 was conducted by huge number of final year B.Sc. (Agri.) students of Tamil Nadu Agricultural University (TNAU) here at Anna Auditorium on Mar. 3, 2015.

Dr. S. Mahimairaja, Dean (Agriculture), TNAU, Coimbatore in his speech appreciated the efforts of students who have grabbed the opportunity to develop the organizational skills leadership quality, event management and to expose and exhibit innate talent of student's community. More so, this will ignite passion amongst the students to systematically carry out the tasks assigned.

Later, Dr. M. Maheswaran, Director of Research, TNAU recalled the sayings of late Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru, Lal Pahathur Sasthri and Indhira Gandhi who had put all out efforts to recognize agriculture and said that agriculture cannot wait anymore whereas anything can wait. Also, he recalled the green revolution emergence and Jai Javan and Jai Kissan and also reiterated that research must explore search for truth.

Dr. Bakshi Ram, Director, Sugarcane Breeding Institute, Coimbatore said that all over work culture should over around cause of the farmer. Moreover he said the scientist can develop only through application of mind and knowledge by reading and investigating. He said the systematic enquiry for acquisition of knowledge would interest the farming community. He also said India stands second though its irrigation potential is 70% less than China. Tremendous research for sustained production and productivity make the county to achieve first place in production of pulses jute fibers, buffaloes cow and milk products and stood second place in production of wheat, paddy, ground nuts vegetables, etc.

Earlier, Mr. S. Karthikeyan, IV B.Sc. (Agri.) welcomed the gathering. Finally, Ms. M.T. Raam Divanya, III B.Sc. (Agri.) proposed a vote of thanks.