

**Review of Central Agricultural University, Imphal
during the year 2019-20**

The Central Agricultural University (CAU) with its headquarters at Imphal, Manipur is a fully residential university covering all the North-East Hill states under its jurisdiction except Assam. It has integrated programmes of teaching, research and extension education. The University is equipped with well-established laboratories, research and demonstration farms, 6 KVKs, 6 multi-technology testing centres and 6 vocational training centres. The Central Agricultural University offerses 9 Undergraduate, 43 Masters and 23 Ph. D. Degree Programmes in different subjects/disciplines through its 13 constituent colleges. The University was ranked at 25th position in the ranking status of Agricultural Universities for the year 2018 by ICAR and in 151-200 rank in India Ranking 2019 in overall category of National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) by MHRD.

A total of 506, 183 and 38 students were admitted in various Under-graduates, Masters and Ph.D programmes, respectively during the academic year 2019-2020. Students from foreign countries one each from Malawi and Sudan were also admitted in Masters degree program of the University. A total of 311 UG and 140 PG students completed their degrees and 21 students were also awarded Ph.Ds during this period. Out of the total students' strength of 2311 in the university, 357 students belong to the general category, 152 scheduled castes, 1169 scheduled tribes, 614 other backward class, 12 EWS, 4 Physically handicapped and 3 belonging to others category. Out of them, 990 students were male and 1321 were female amounting to Male: Female ratio as 1:1.33.

The students of the university showed excellent performance at national level competitive examinations and admissions in national/premier institutes of higher studies. Till date, 73% of the passed out students from this University are already employed/absorbed in Government departments. During the period under report, 10 students have qualified Agricultural Research Service (ARS), 14 students Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) examination, 4 students ICAR SRF examination, 21 NET and 6 GATE examination.

“International Day of Yoga” was celebrated with great enthusiasm and vigour. Unity Pledge and run for unity were organized as an endeavor to solidify the bond of oneness and unification on “Rashtriya Ekta Diwas”. “Hindi Pakhwada-2019” was celebrated with debates, essay writing, poetry competition for creating awareness and promotion of uses of Raj Bhasa-Hindi in the official/everyday work. Cleanliness drive under the “Swachhata Hi Seva” campaign were also conducted along with planting of saplings in the college campus and its premises.

During the year 2019-20 University carried out 65 (sixty five) Intramural Research Projects (IRPs) where 7 IRPs were newly sanctioned, 51 ongoing and 7 completed under University Funded Research Programmes. During the year 11.98 quintals of breeder seeds of field crops were produced against the target of 10 quintals in institute/university farm. In farmer’s field, 584.70 quintals of certified and truthfully labeled seed of field crop were produced against the target of 505 quintals. Moreover 83 quintals of truthfully labeled seed (Oilseed) were also produced against the target of 60 quintals in farmer’s field. Three varieties of rice, viz. CAU-R2 (Tomthinphou), CAU-R3 (Mangalphou) and CAU-R4 (Enotphou) were released and notified in the Gazette. One patent on Multi-Column Sand Filter a Method Thereof was also granted during the reporting year.

The Directorate of Extension Education provides extension services to the farmers of seven North-Eastern states through various programmes and activities. The programmes implemented during the year include trainings, demonstration, field days, Kisanmelas, farmer congress, exhibitions, radio talks, TV telecast, film shows, workshop, etc. Transfer of technology activities were planned and coordinated in different districts of the seven states through its 13 constituent colleges, six Krishi Vigyan Kendras and six Multi Technology Testing & Vocational Training Centres.

A total of 46 numbers of capacity building training programmes for 861 extension functionaries of the line departments, KVKs, ATMAs and NGOs, 13 Vocational Training Programmes of three months and 531 numbers of need based hands on training programmes were organised in the field of agriculture and allied activities. Altogether, 228 numbers of Unemployed Youth and 23,393 nos. of farmers/ farm women/ rural youth were benefitted. 66 numbers of different technologies were tested on the farmers field by involving 360 numbers of farmers of Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram and Tripura. Besides 136 numbers of Front Line Demonstration were conducted covering 721.65 ha and benefiting 2087 numbers of farmers.

The University has total staff strength of 1102 including 28 administrative, 298 teaching and 776 non-teaching positions. At the headquarters, there are 14 executive officers in the administrative positions supported by 34 technical and 112 non-technical staff. In the constituent colleges of the university, there are 14 administrative staff, 298 teaching and 630 non teaching staff. During the year, 117 personals were newly appointed at constituent colleges. 25 staff members were transferred, 7 superannuated, 2 demised and 10 resigned from the service during the year under report. 114 non teaching members were also promoted.

Various civil construction works were taken up during the year for meeting the required infrastructural facilities of the university. It included construction works of college buildings, laboratories, hostels, staff quarters, auditorium, information centers, canteen, post office, bank, security barracks etc. The university is giving special emphasis for speeding up of construction activities of the newly established colleges so that academic classes can be started at the permanent campus of the colleges at the earliest.

During the reporting year, faculties of constituent colleges of the university have published 1083 research literatures comprising of 395 full length research and 64 digital object identifier articles, 54 seminar proceedings, 176 papers presented in seminars, symposia, 119 popular articles, 17 books, 61 book chapters and 134 manuals/pamphlets etc.

The university witnessed the visits of 120 visitors in different college campuses located in seven states of the north east hill region of India during the reporting year. The visitors included eminent administrators, scientists, faculties, meritorious students and progressive farmers of varied experiences.

The Government of India released Rs. 184.97 crores as grant in aid to the University during 2019-20 which was utilized in full.

Central Agricultural University which is a multi campus university is situated within boundaries of six North East Hill Region States. This area is known for lack of communication and social & political disturbances. Consequently, these affect the functioning of the university adversely. Further, being the difficult region of the country, the university is also not getting qualified personnel for senior positions at Head Quarters and in its different campuses. In spite of all these constraints the University is taking care of its mandate related to teaching, research and extension education effectively with the available staff and resources.