



**NATIONAL AGRICULTURE HIGHER EDUCATION PROJECT-
INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN
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**Institutional development for enhancing learning outcome, academic diversity,
entrepreneurship, and employability.**

DBSKKV-D, Weekly activity report from 06.10.2023 to 12.10.2023

Activity 1: On the 13th of October 2023, the faculty members and students from the College of Fisheries in Ratnagiri, India, currently on an international training program at Chulalongkorn University in Thailand, have been actively engaging in a diverse range of activities. On the 6th of October, they visited the Department of Fisheries and Aquatic Animal Health Research and Development Division. Later that day, they attended a lecture on Aquaculture Development in India by Director of Research, DBSKKV, Dapoli, Dr. Prakash Shingare Sir at the Library meeting room.

On the 9th of October, a field visit was organized, exploring ecotourism in the Mangrove ecosystem and fisheries in Samutsongkram Province. Subsequently, on the 11th of October, the group visited the Tilapia Nursery rearing system at Sukjai Aplakarn Farm in the morning, followed by an excursion to Tilapia Floating Cage Culture at Kanjanaburi Province in the afternoon.

Their enriching journey continued on the 12th of October, as they visited the CPF Company for an in-depth exploration of feed mill operations, focusing on feed formulation and production. This educational trip reflects the commitment of the College of Fisheries, Ratnagiri, and the opportunities it provides to its students and faculty for global exposure and knowledge enhancement.

Activity 2: "DBSKKV Dapoli and Gharada Foundation Ink MoU: A significant Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) has been formalized between DBSKKV Dapoli and Gharada Foundation. The National Agricultural Higher Education Project's Institutional Development Plan (NAHEP IDP) at DBSKKV Dapoli played a pivotal role in facilitating this collaboration, marking a milestone in agricultural education and research."

Activity 3: "Dr. Shivajirao Deshmukh, the Director-General of VSI, visited NAHEP IDP DBSKKV Dapoli. During his visit, he explored the cutting-edge facilities of the institution, including the Language Lab and Idea Lab, fostering innovation in education. Dr. Deshmukh also engaged with the latest in pedagogical technology, touring the state-of-the-art smart classrooms at NAHEP IDP DBSKKV Dapoli. This visit underscores the commitment to advancing educational excellence."

- Activity 4: On October 11, 2023, the pre-departure orientation and sendoff ceremony for the selected faculties of DBSKKV, Dapoli, embarking on their training journey at Michigan State University, USA, took place with great success. The event was held at the VC conference hall, led by Hon. Vice Chancellor Dr. Sanjay Bhawe and guided by Dean and Director of Instruction and PI NAHEP IDP DBSKKV Dapoli, Dr. Prashant Bodake.
- Activity 5: Dr. Santosh Sawardekar, Co-PI of NAHEP IDP at DBSKKV Dapoli, recently shared his expertise in a radio talk lecture titled "Red Banana: Boon for Konkan Farmers" at Akashwani, Ratnagiri. His insightful discussion undoubtedly added value to the agricultural community in the region.
- Activity 6: Certificates for the 1 month "CAD Design Course for Future Agri Innovators and Entrepreneurs" have been distributed to the 25 students of CAET, Dapoli, who successfully completed the training on 11th October 2023, recognizing their dedication and commitment to agricultural innovation.
- Activity 7: Dr. Prashant Bodake, the Principal Investigator of the NAHEP IDP at DBSKKV, Dapoli, has demonstrated a remarkable commitment to fostering global collaborations. He recently participated in a meeting with universities in the USA and Thailand, exploring opportunities for collaboration and the establishment of dual degree programs. His leadership extends beyond international ventures; he co-chaired the MOU progress review meeting between DBSKKV and VSI, Pune, where he showcased groundbreaking research on nano urea and nano phosphorus conjugate. Additionally, his expertise was on full display when he delivered a lead talk at a national conference held at NAU, Saputara, further solidifying his reputation as a research authority. He also chaired a special session and a theme at the same national conference, emphasizing his dedication to knowledge dissemination. Beyond academia, Dr. Prashant Bodake serves as an expert member on the board of management for KKWagh Institute's College of Agriculture and actively engages in meetings with WOTR, a Pune-based NGO, to explore water management strategies and climate resilience methodologies.
- Activity 8: On October 12, 2023, NAHEP IDP DBSKKV Dapoli facilitated an industrial visit to C Tech Engineering Pvt. Ltd in Pune, offering 21 students valuable insights into industrial manufacturing, pilot manufacturing, process and product design, and industry manufacturing management as a part of their CAD design training.

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