

Two days training programme for Final year B.Sc (Horticulture) students at ICAR-DCR, Puttur

A batch of 11 Final year B.Sc (Horticulture) students visited ICAR-DCR on 16th and 17th April 2021 as a part of their Horticulture Based Industrial (HBI) placement training. Students were given exposure to cultivation, plant protection processing of cashew and an overview of the institute. On the first day of the training, students were briefed about the history of the institute and activities carried out as a part of transfer of technology. Following this, they were taken to the Cashew Plant Health Clinic Museum. Lectures were also arranged for the students on various aspects such as cashew as a promising crop for the future, its cultivation aspects, breeding techniques in cashew, pest and disease management and post harvest processing of nuts and cashew apple. The students were also given hands on training in softwood grafting at nursery and were also taken to the field to acquaint them with the crop and its diversified varieties. Further, they visited the post harvest technology lab to get knowledge on the different machineries involved in cashew processing. Overall the training programme was fruitful for the students, which was reflected through their keen interest and positive feedback.

