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## From the Director's Desk



Farm mechanization enables conservation of inputs, reduces cost of production, drudgery and hazards to humans and increases productivity. To ascertain complete mechanization of agricultural operations, training of stakeholders with involvement of industry to develop ecosystem of Industry-Institution-FPOs as a whole is need of the hour for overall development of farmer, and industry perse. Moreover, it will also provide better inputs to create modern training and

testing facility for human resource development of stake holders as well as Institute. To accelerate the level of farm mechanization with use of the rapidly changing technologies such as drone, IoT and AI and their fusion indicates the primitive role of FMTTIs and need to create them as centre of excellence in the area of farm machinery training and testing. In-line initiatives and efforts are being made by SRFMTTI for liasoning with the power tiller, tractor and other allied industries already involved to increase farm mechanization level of the country to create a collaborative efforts for overall accelerated development. It will facilitate the participation and upgradation skill of stake holders such as Agricultural Engineers, other graduates, diploma holders, high school dropouts, farmers, FPOs, managment trainees of the industry etc.

This issue of the Newsletter majorly focuses on the initiatives/efforts made to develop the Institute as a centre of excellence in Southern India. Liasoniong with industry to establish a upgraded training centre and display of recent technological developments in products by providing the space to the industry, so as all the stake holders can be benifitted with recent technological developments in the industry. Doubling the residential facility by utilising the available resources of the institute, creation of the recent technological display with ICAR and SAU developed technologies keeping in view of the cropping system of the Southern India. Opening the doors various government/ private agricultural engineering college, liasoning with farmers producer organisations for their capacity building in terms of farm mechanization and processing. Interaction with pre and post harvest machinery manufactureres for testing of implemetns at Institiute, various actitivts such as inspection of the testing centre under the jurisdiction of SRFMTTI and timeley guidance for quality testing of the agricultural machinery. Moreover, procurement of drones, equipments required for updation of laboratories to make them State-of-art to guide the all FMTCs in Southern Region. Moreover, industry exposure to training and testing officers and staff of the institute has initiated.

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With a new initiative by the Director along with team SRFMTTI, First time in the history of SRFMT & TI, training section conducted Need based, Academic level course for graduate engineers with enrolling 288 trainees in a month (under academic level course) at a time from various part of India & successfully completed their courses. As mass number of students enrolled in various courses Institute has genertaed revenue ₹5,83,500/- in a month. Testing centre conducted first time a E-reaper (battery operated vertical conveyer reaper) along with regular testing of the other agricultural (mandated) equipments. Farm section achiveded its highest price for produce through auction. Visit of various famers group, visit of VIPs, Industry personnel and visits of various industries by the Director has been creating a good bond between Industry, SAU and FPOs for further strengthening the relation for overall developemnt of the Insitute. As a Director of the SRFMTTI, I am happy to share this first volume of the Newletter with all stakeholders.....

## Training Section Activity

The main objective of the training to impart practical training to the Farmers /Technicians/Engineering Students/Nominees from State Government & NGOs in the field of selection, operation, maintenance, repair and management of farm machinery & power to ascertain competence, capacity and performance. Training imparted for upgradation of knowledge and skills among trainees to make them industry/farmer ready . The effective training helps to apply this knowledge to their workplace, to transfer of learning among their groups/industry. Training calender prepared for various courses to be organised /offered during this F.Y. 2023-24 by SRFMTTI with duration and participant as under.

TRAINING CALENDER 2023-2024			
COURSE CODE	NAME OF THE COURSE	DURATION in Weeks	PARTICIPANTS
<b>USER LEVEL COURSE</b>			
U1	Appropriate Mechanization Technology for Energy Management in Agriculture	4	Farmers, Members of SHGs, Farmer producer Organization (FPOs), Rural Youth, Farm Machinery owners/operators extension workers and related technical personnel from Govt./semi. Govt./SAUs/NGOs etc.
U2	Selection, operation, safety and maintenance of improved agricultural machinery	6	
U3	Operation, maintenance and Management of power tiller	2	
U4	Training program on agro processing & value addition equipment's	2	
U5	Gender friendly Equipment for Women farmers	0.5	
U6	Utilization of non-conventional energy sources in agriculture	1	
U7	Water Management through sprinkler and drip Irrigation& Water saving devices	1	
U8	Selection, operation and maintenance of plant protection equipments	1	
U9	Selection, Operation and Maintenance of improved Harvesting & Threshing machines	2	
U10	Selection, operation and maintenance of hand pump	1	
U11	Selection, Operation and Maintenance of Agricultural Machinery for dry land agriculture	2	
U12	<b>CROP SPECIFIC MACHINERY</b>		
a)	Package of agricultural machinery for paddy cultivation	1 each	Farmers, Members of SHGs, Farmer producer Organization (FPOs), Rural Youth, Farm Machinery owners/operators extension workers and related technical personnel from Govt./semi. Govt./SAUs/NGOs etc.
b)	Package of agricultural machinery for maize cultivation		
c)	Package of agricultural machinery for vegetable cultivation		
d)	Package of agricultural machinery for sugarcane cultivation		
e)	Package of agricultural machinery for horticulture & medicinal crops cultivation		
f)	Package of agricultural machines for oil seed and pulse crop		
g)	Information technology application in farm mechanization		
U13	Information technology application in farm mechanization	1	
<b>TECHNICIAN LEVEL COURSE (Courses on repair and overhauling)</b>			
T1	Repair and overhauling of Stationary engine and tractor	6	Technicians and supervisors of Govt. Departments/agencies, T5 Repair and maintenance of Auto Electrical private operators, etc.
T2	Repair & overhauling of power tiller	2	
T5	Repair and maintenance of Auto Electrical equipments and Battery re-conditioning	3	
T8	Repair, maintenance & overhauling of diesel pumping sets	2	
<b>ACADEMIC LEVEL COURSE</b>			
A1	Practical Training programme on Farm power & Machinery for Degree/Diploma Engineering Students	4	Degree/Diploma in Agril./ Auto/Mech. Engg.
A2	Practical Training programme on Farm Power and Machinery for ITI & Vocational Courses for 10+2 Students.	4	I.T.I. and 10+2 vocational Students
<b>NEED BASED COURSE</b>			
NB	Need Based Training Programme on Farm Mechanization	As Per Requirement	As per requirement from the sponsoring agency
	Need Based Training Programme for trainees sponsored by the commercial organizations/ Banks/ Manufactures in various courses		
<b>MANAGEMENT LEVEL COURSE</b>			
M-1	Testing and evaluation of farm Machinery	1	Technical Personnel/officers from manufacturers, Agro Industries, SAUs, Universities, State Agriculture Department, ICAR, etc.
M-2	Agriculture Machinery Management	1	

## Training Section Activity

Institute had imparted training to 657 trainees during the II<sup>nd</sup> quarter (July-September, 2023) and 1225 during the year against the annual target of 5200 for the FY 2023-24. The state wise participation of trainees during July to September is given below:

State - Wise	JULY	AUGUEST	SEPTEMBER	TOTAL
Andhra Pradesh	254	72	72	398
Tamil Nadu	0	0	1	1
Karnataka	0	12	15	27
Kerala	0	0	0	0
Telangana	0	0	4	4
Maharashtra	0	0	180	180
Gujarat	0	0	0	0
West Bengal	0	0	0	0
Bihar	0	0	3	3
Madhya Pradesh	1	0	0	1
Uttar Pradesh	0	19	0	19
Chattisgarh	11	0	0	11
Rajasthan	0	0	10	10
Anadaman Nicobar Islands	0	0	0	0
Manipur	0	0	1	1
Meghalaya	0	0	0	0
Goa	0	0	2	2
Haryana	0	0	0	0
UT Ladak	0	0	0	0
Nagaland	0	0	0	0
Assam	0	0	0	0
Jammu & Kashmir	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>657</b>

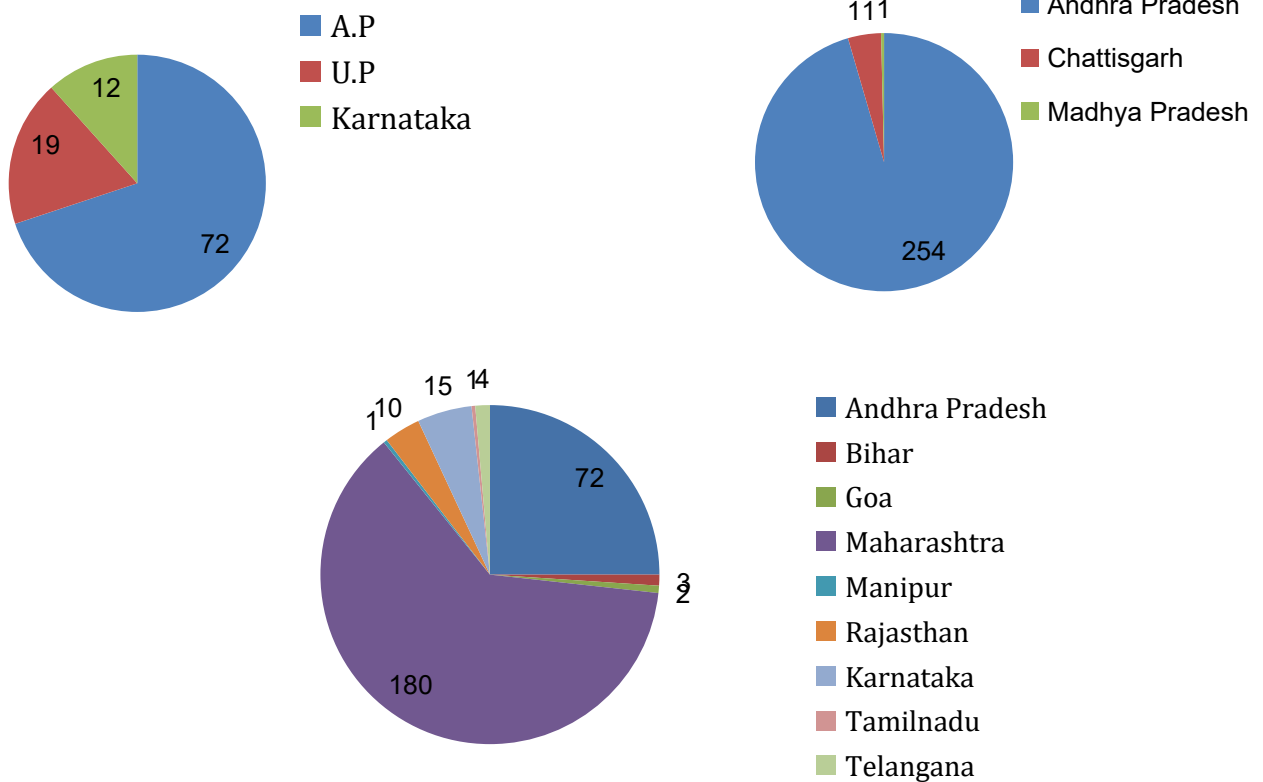
## Feedback on Trainings

To ascertain the level of knowledge & skills imparted by training staff to the participants and improve the training facility and courses content, training feed back is taken by the Institute at the end of every course. It creates an effective learning & development strategy & with adequate training programs. The data on feed back was collected and analysed and found that 66%, 32% and 2% of the trainees rated it as Excellent, Very good and Good, respectively. It will ascertain whether specific training programs achieved with set objectives or not and whether the learning resources met the expectations & need of trainees for their skill development.



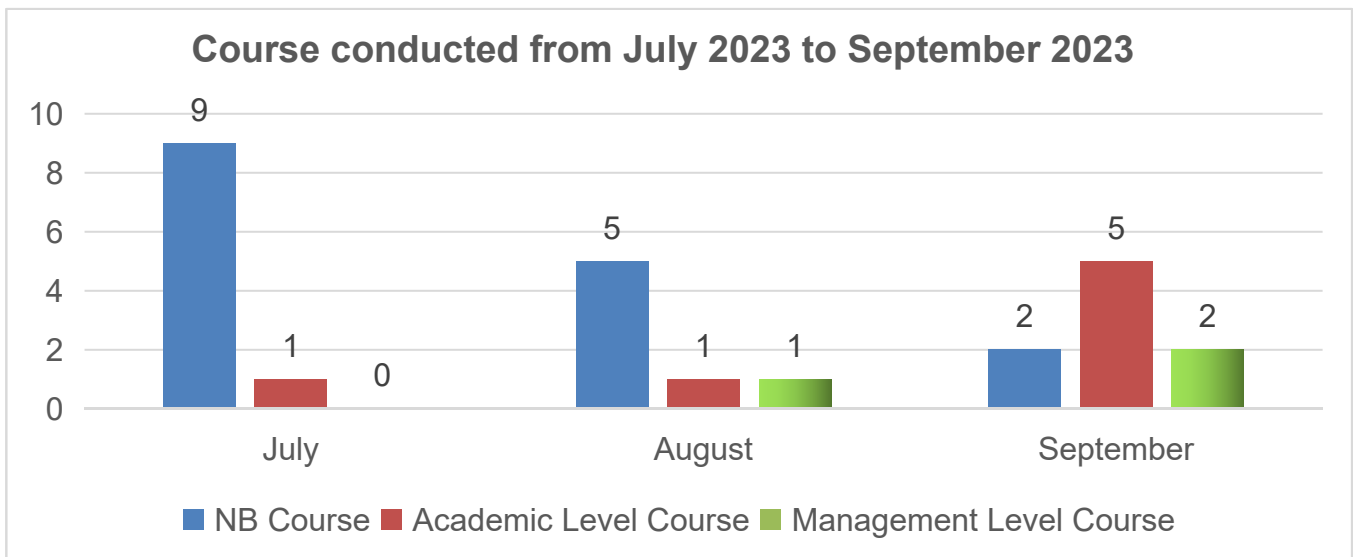
## Target & Achievements

In the month of July 2023, training imparted to total 266 trainees in the A-1 /NB / Management level & trade apprentice courses. The participation was more from Andhra Pradesh followed by Chattisgarh and Madhya Pradesh. Moreover, in August 2023 the training imparted with quantity of 103 trainees in the A-1 series/NB/ Management level courses. The participation of the trainees was from Andhra Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh and Karnataka. In last month of the quarter september 2023, the highest number of the trainees in a month were trained in the history of Institute i.e. 288 trainees in the A-1 series/NB series / management level courses. Moreover, the participating State were 09 namely Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Goa, Maharashtra, Manipur, Rajasthan, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu & Telangana. In this quarter the training section of the Institute has trained total number of 657 trainees from 12 different States of the country.



### Course Conducted from July 23 to September 23

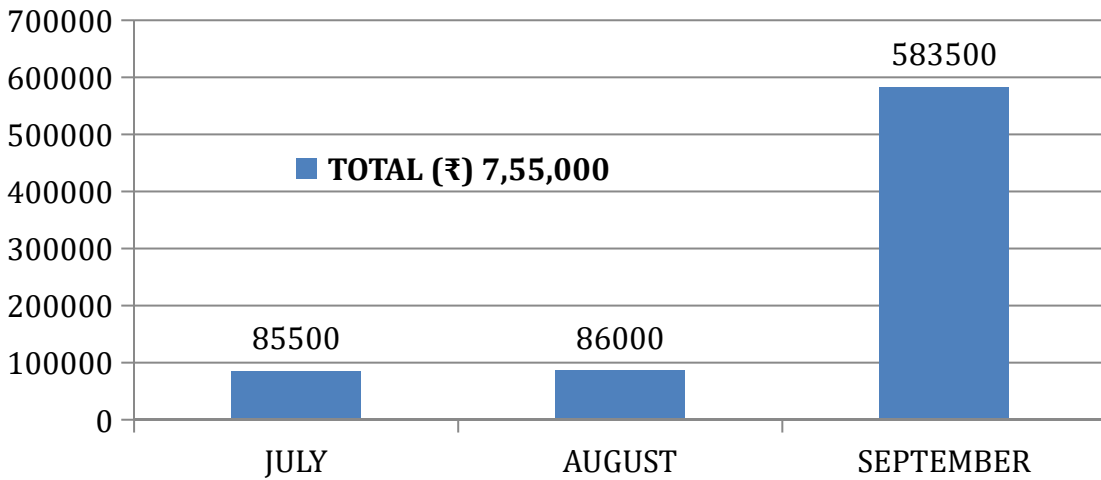
Training section organized various courses ( Total 26 ) like NB, Academic level / Management level courses for various stream of students in second quarter of the this FY (July 2023 to September 2023). Total 657 students were trained during July 2023 to September 2023.





## Revenue generated ( July 2023 to September 2023)

With the initiatives of Director & under the leadership of the Joint Secretary (M&T), Institute has opened the doors for the students from various universities of private and government. Total ₹ 7,55,000/- revenue was generated by training section from July 2023 to September 2023. The new initiatives has incresed the revenue in the month of September 2023 about 6.8 times compare to the month of July & August 2023.



## Revenue generated in Qrt.II (₹)

### Success Story

In an unprecedented moment, training section of SRFMTTI achived a sum of 288 trainees at a time in a month. All 288 trainees succesfully completed various training courses & training section marked a history. Due to mass number of students enrolled in various courses, the revenue more than 2.3 times as compare to July 2022 to September 2022 on the last FY 2022-23. At the same time unprecedented source of revenue generated by the training section



### TRAINING AT A GLANCE

- Training is mainley focused for the Farmers, Technicians, Engineering Students, Nominees from state Government & NGOs in the field of Agriculture Mechanisation.
- Total 30 type of courses are offered by the training section.
- From July 2023 to September 2023 training section conducted (03 types) Academic level, Need Based & Mangement Level courses (26 batches).
- In this Quarter training section generated total revenue of **7,55,000/-** rupees. In the month of September 2023 about 6.8 times more revenue was generated compare to the month of July and August 2023. Revenue collected more than 2.3 times as compare to July 22 to September 2022 on the last FY 2022-23
- Total number of trainees trained is 657 of various courses from July 2023 to September 2023 covering **12 States** of India with biggest batch in the histroy of SRFMTTI.

## Testing Section Activity

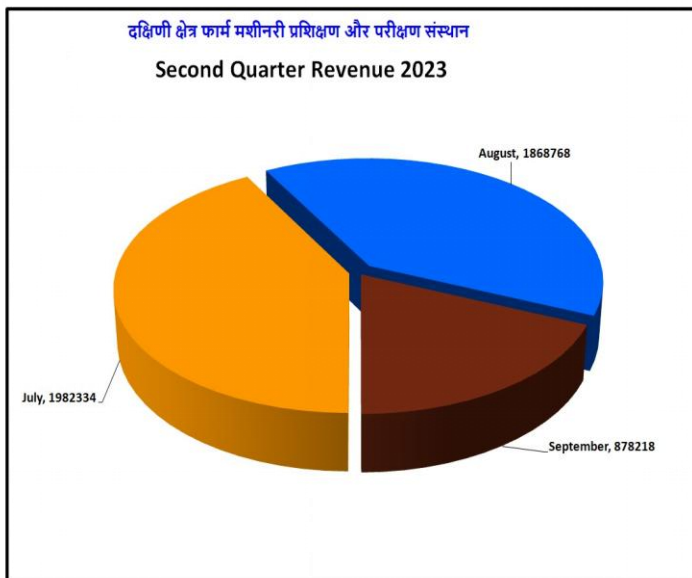
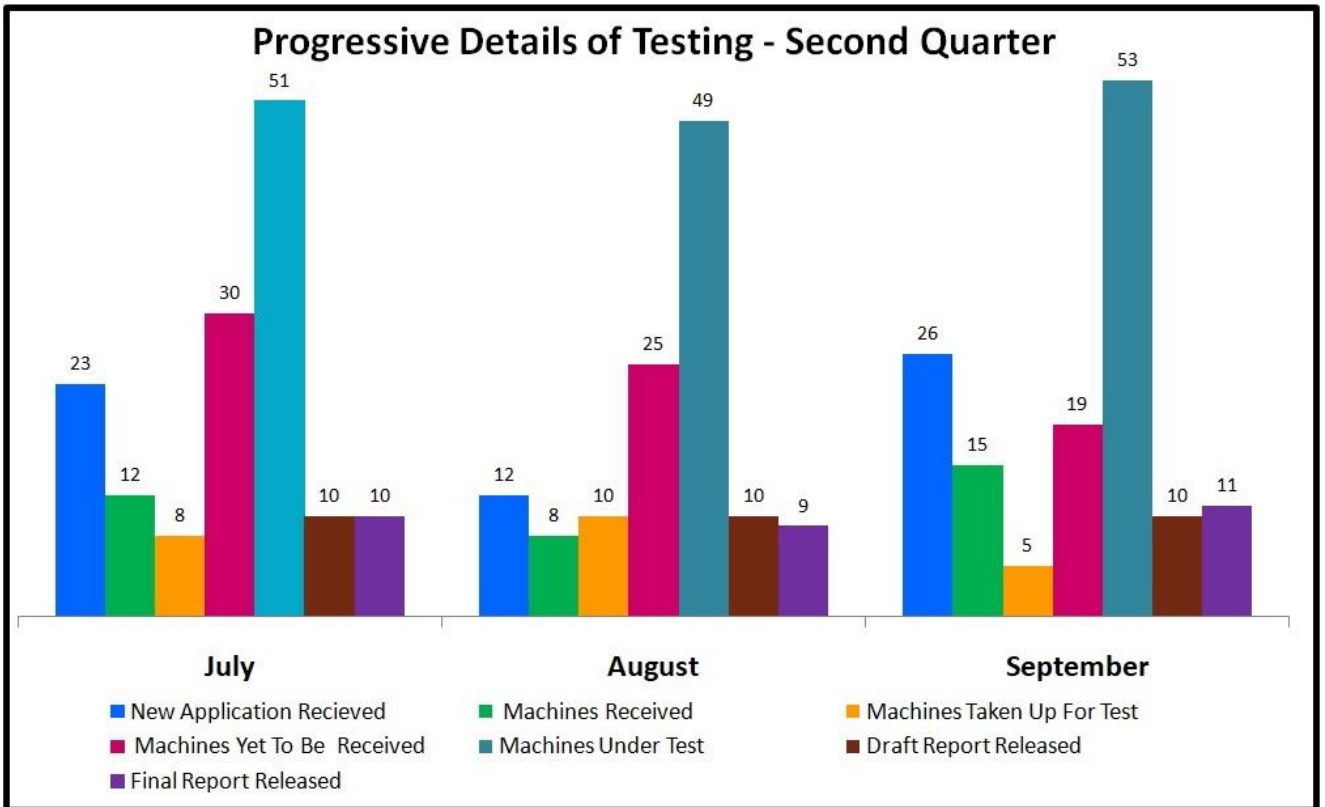
The Institute is a pioneer in the South India for encouraging the farmers & manufacturers for increasing the farm mechanisation by way of testing and training. Testing section of the Institute specially deals with testing of agricultural machinery, engines, etc. manufactured in the country with a view to assess their functional suitability and performance characteristics under different agro climatic conditions, so that the published test results would in-directly help the farmers to get quality products and other prospective purchasers in determining the comparative performance of machinery in Indian agro climatic condition. The main objective of the testing is to test agriculture implements such as Power Tiller, Rice Transplanter, Power weeder, Brush cutter, Threshers & many other tractor operated implements. Agricultural machinery manufactured with a view to evaluate their aptness and performance characteristics to decide best suited for Indian conditions and help the farmer and other stakeholders in determining the comparative performance of machines available in the market. In second quarter, Institute has released 30 reports against 61 new application received for testing. Total 30 test reports have been released in this quarter covering 05 category of machines. Revenue generated in **II<sup>nd</sup> quarter** is **Rs.47,29,320/-**. Total collection in **I<sup>st</sup> and II<sup>nd</sup> quarter** of this FY 2023-24 is **Rs. 70,45,592/-**. The progress of the testing activity is as per schedule. New initiatives to review the testing of tillage implements has been taken up to double the achivement of target.

Perticulars	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
New application received	23	12	26
Machines received	12	8	15
Machines taken up for test	8	10	5
Machines yet to be received	30	25	19
Machines under test	51	49	53
Draft report released	10	10	10
Final report released	10	9	11
Revenue generated	19,82,334	18,68,768	8,78,218

Category wise machine tested	Power tiller	1	3	-
	Seedbed preparation	-	-	-
	Inter cultivation	4	1	5
	Sowing & planting	-	-	-
	Harvesters & Threshers	1	3	1
	Tractor trailer	4	1	5
	Misc.(Blade)	-	1	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>09</b>	<b>11</b>	

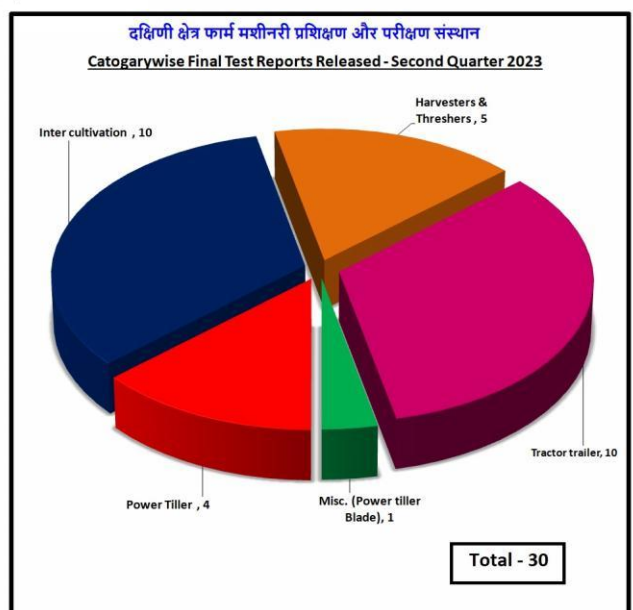
### Testing Section Activity

In the second quarter, 61 new application were received in which 30 Final Test Reports have been released.








The total revenue generated in the month of July, August and September is **Rs. 47,29,320/-** against 61 new application received in this quarter. Total collection in **I<sup>st</sup> and II<sup>nd</sup>** quarter of this FY is 2023-24 is **Rs. 70,45,592/-**. However, various applications are being received and processed in this quarter so as to increase the revenue by engine operated and well as new initiation of the tillage and other non-engine operated machinery. Various requests has been processed in the final stages to brought it under testing at testing section of the Institute.

The machines are received from various states such as Maharashtra, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Chhattisgarh, West Bengal and New Delhi etc. Total 30 test reports have been released in this quarter covering 05 different category of various agricultural machines. Total report released in **I<sup>st</sup> and II<sup>nd</sup>** quarter of this Financial year is **59** reports against the target of 90 reports & covered **65.5%** of target for this financial year 2023-24. Moreover, to achive the target the new initiatives on testing of the tillage implemets will certainly add to the revenue and increase the number of testing reports to be released in the given financial year 2023-24.





Category	Photo of machine	Make and Model of Applicants
POWER TILLER		SAMYAK BALRAM 14 DI, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu
		Vst Shakti 165 DLS, Bengaluru, Karnataka
		KAMCO KMB200, Ernakulam, Kerala.
		Vst Shakti 130DI, Bengaluru, Karnataka
POWER WEEDER		IB Monotaro, AGRIPRO APC100FQ, New Delhi
		Shrachi Agrimech Ltd, SHRACHI 4P3, Kolkata, West Bengal
		M/S.Shivashakthi Xylem, XYELM 900 PLUS, Salem - TN
		M/s Ratnagiri ,Agrimate AM -MPTC-2620-DGB-9D, Karnataka
		E Agrocare Machineries, G-500-1A, AURANGABAD, MH
		E Agrocare Machineries,E-AgrocareD-531-E,Aurangabad, MH
		M/s ICS Merchandise Pvt Ltd, ICS, Karnataka
		M/s Vijay Krushi Avajare, VKA-186FB, Kolhapur, MH
M/s Vijay Krushi Avajare, VKA-170FG, Kolhapur, MH		
TRAILER		M/s Sri Srinivasa Auto Eng. SSAEW 05 TON, Krishna, Andhra
		M/s Sri Vijaya Durg Agr.. Ind, SVDAI 5 TON Kadapa, Andhra
		M/s Sri Vijaya Durg Agr.. Ind, SVDAI 3 TON Kadapa, Andhra
		M/s PRAVIN METAL WORKS, 5 TON PM30T, Jalgaon, MH
		M/s Vishnu Motheba Pawar, Aditya HTT5T, JALNA, MH
		M/s Om Engineering Work & Trailer, OEW 5TN, Nashik, MH
		M/s Ajinkya SAI 5 TN Trailers 5 Tonne, :- Satara, MH
		M/s Sham Fabricators, SF 3 TONE, Kolhapur, MH
		M/s Laxmi Agro Engg. Work, LAEW5T, Buldhana, MH
		M/s Sri Venkata Ramana Agro Ind, SVRAI 5 TNE, Andhra
REAPER		M/s Guru Nanak Agriculture Ind. Pvt. Ltd., E- REAPER 1200, Raipur, Chhattisgarh
BRUSH CUTTER		M/s. Shivashakthi Pvt Ltd., XYLEM SS-30, Salem, TN
		M/s Vijay Krushi Avajare, VKA-430B, Kolhapur, MH
		M/s Vijay Krushi Avajare, VKA-35, Kolhapur, MH
		M/s AGRIZONE, AZ-42BC-2S, Dakshin Kannada, Karnataka
Components	Power tiller blade	M/s Minerva Multitech Mars Assmt, Agridon-52, Tumakuru, karnataka

## Success Story (E-Reaper)

This Institute has initiated the testing of of battery operated reaper along with other mandated machinery. First time in the history of SRFMT&TI, Tested a **Battery Operated Reaper(E-Reaper)**, vide test report no. Machine-506/1521 and released in July 2023, which is manufactured by M/s Guru Nanak Agriculture India Private Limited, Make- Gurunanak & Model- E- Reaper 1200, Raipur Dist, Chhattisgarh, India.



Technical specifications	
DUT Name	Battery Pack, 48 V DC
Battery Type	Lithium Ferrous Phosphate
Battery Pack Capacity	78 Ah ( Ah in 4.5 hrs)
Rated Voltage	48 V DC
Identification	EE-4878-LF-Pro
Trade Name	ELECTRICITA
Cell Model No	EA-OS-PE-1010
Cell rating	3.2V 90Ah
Configuration of cell in Pack	16S1P
Quantity(battery pack & Battery cell)	03 nos. (ICAT/EEL/149503/01-05)
Cell Manufacturer Name	Shenzhen Eastar Battery Co, Ltd
Drawing no.	EE-2020-EE90LF-100



### Memorandum of Understanding ( MoU )

#### CLAAS Agricultural Machinery Pvt. Ltd.

Institute has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with CLAAS Agricultural Machinery Pvt. Ltd. for opening of CLAAS academy at SRFMTTI for strengthening of training facilities among both parties on 28.09.2023. M/S CLASS India representative, Mr. MrutunJay Singh, Managing Director and his team and Director SRFMTTI, Mrs. P Kamalabai, SAE, Mr. N.K.Verma, AE were present during the signing ceremony held at CLAAS facility at Banglore. Director SRFMTTI congratulated team of CLAAS India for joining hands together for betterment of farming community. Mr. MrutunJay Singh, Managing Director CLAAS thanked , Hon'ble Joint Secretary Mrs. S. Rukmani, M&T Division of Minsitry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Government of India for her constant support for initialzation of traning academy in Southern region. This MOU will benefit farmers and trainee engineer of southern India a lot to get upgrade their knowledge.



#### SAME DEUTZ FAHR India

Under the umbrella of creation of centre of excellance at SRFMTTI another MOU was signed with **SAME DEUTZ FAHR**, Ranipet,Tamil Nadu, for Opening of SDF academy at SRFMTTI will strength the training facilities among both parties on on dated 29.09.2023. Mr. Alberto Belini, CEO, SDF and Director, SRFMTTI exchanged the signed MOU among themselves as singning authority. SDF representative Sh. Balkrishana, Head of SDF plant at Ranipet, Sh. Shankar & Sh. Bhuvnesh were present from SDF and Mrs. P Kamalabai, Senior Agricultural Engineer and Head of Office & MS Ali Moula, Sr. Tech were present SRFMTTI during the signing ceremony. Director SRFMTTI congratulated team of SDF PVT. LTD for joining hands together. Mr. Alberto Belini, CEO, SDF Thanked , Hon'ble Joint Secretary Mrs. S. Rukmani, M&T Division of Minsitry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Government of India. This MOU will benefit farmers and trainees engineer of Southern India a lot to get upgrade their knowledge in recent technological development.





## Interaction with Farmers, Students & Manufactures

Group of 38 farmers visited SRFMTTI, Tractor Nagar Garladinne, Anantapur on dated 08 August 2023 from Kalyandurg, Dist. Anantapur for getting exposure on farm mechanization. Dr. B.M Nandade Director, SRFMTTI addressed the farmers about the latest machinery available for land preparation, seeding & harvesting. Uses of recently developed technolages by various research institutions machinery were exposed to farmers to complete the work within limited time and reduced expenses, increased yields, better yield quality, higher profitability and lower operational risk & increase the overall productivity.



To get the exposure on farm mechanization a group of students from High School Hearing Impaired, RDT Bukkarayasamudram, Anantapur visited to our training section. They visited various lab such as Gender friendly equipement lab, tractor demonstration lab, agriculture machinery etc. This exposure on utilization of farm machinery & equipements will sensitise themfor their future study planning.



Director along with team of SRFMTTI visited on invitation from MANU univertisty Kadappa to deliver a guest lecture on farm mechanization. Director SRFMTTI, Sh. Nitesh Kumar Verma A.E & Sh. D. Kankappa STA participated in student Induction Programme on dated 25-09-23. Total 100 students from MANU University participated in induction program. Director SRFMTTI had interaction with the Principle, HODs & students of MANU university. Director SRFMTTI introduced the future training programme for diploma/graduate engg. students & how they enrolled in various training programs which is organised by SRFMTTI, Garladdine, Anantpur (AP).



Sh. D. Kanakappa, STA, Sh. J. Bhon Singh, STA & Sh. B. Yerriswamy, MTS staff from SRFMTTI, conducted **04** demonstration Under **SMAM** for creating awareness among stakeholders through demonstration and capacity-building activities & also increase the reach of farm mechanization to small & marginal farmers in Andhra Pradesh & Tamilnadu ( 38 farmers from Village Kanekal, Anantapur & 50 farmers from near Anantapur, 45 no. at SRFMTTI from College of Agricultural Engg. Madakasira & N.G ranga Agricultural University & 11 farmers from Village Nrai Kenar Rashipurag Dist. Namakkal, Tamilnadu.) **total 144 beneficiaries.**



## Interaction with Farmers, Students & Manufactures

Director SRFMTTI had interaction with College of Engineering Madakasira students ( 30 students ) during his visit of PHFMTC, Coimbatore, Tamilnadu on dated 07-09-2023. Sensitization in testing of agricultural Machinery and its importance in the development of agriculture was highlited by Director.



Interaction with the farmers of village Puttlampalli (Kadappa) and facilitating our User Level courses to achieve training targets of the Institute. Director SRFMTTI , Sh. Nitesh Kumar Verma & D. Kankappa visited on dated 25-09-23. Participation in the U5 courses conduted by SRFMTTI was urged to get the exposure on gender friedly equipments. Activity of the Institute highlighted by Director to the male and women farmers of that village.

AMMA India Tamil Nadu chapter welcomed Director in Coimbatore during his visit of PHFMC Coimbatore, Director SRFMTTI had interaction with AMMA TamilNadu chapter to explore the possibility of MOU with SRFMTTI on creation of training academy and other possible collaboration training and testing mandates of the SRFMTTI during AMMA meeting at Bhopal on dated 28.09.23. He listened the issues of the AMMA.



Director SRFMTTI invited as guest of honor in AMMM 2023 organised by All India Machinery manufauireres Association (AMMA India) at Bhopal on dated 28.09.23. He ineteracted with Manufactueres and higher officers of ICAR such as Assitant Director General Dr. KP Singh, Director ICAR CIAE Bhopal Dr. CR MEhta, DR. AN Meshram, Deputy Commisioner, M&T Division and other digniteries participated from all India.

Regular visits to hostel to check the food quality to be served to the students trainees, time to time hostel facilities inspected by Director with committee. Based on the feedback of the trainees on accomodation and food , initiatives has been taken to provide the mess on e- contract and procurement of required basic amenities has also been initiated to have quality hostel and food facility. Director also have visited the ongoing theory & practical classes to ascertain the quality traning and understanding of the students. The feed back of students during visits is ascerained and qualitative mesures for overall development of training facility at Institute has been takenup. The intiative has also be fosused on futuristic involvement of industry as partner to creat traning facility and recent technological developments.





## Manufacturers visit at SRFMTTI

The stakeholders of the institute such as industry representatives, University representatives have always. Various manufacturers had visited the Institute, to see the facility available for testing the machinery. Glimpses of the visit of trailer and other machinery manufacturers is given below.



## Outreach visits for possible collaboration with Manufacturers

In view of the creation of a training academy with the involvement of leading manufacturers based in southern India, a team from SRFMTTI headed by Director SRFMTTI, Sh. Nitesh Kumar Verma, AE & Sh. D. Kankappa, STA visited Escort Training & Development Centre Bangalore on dated 12-8-2023. They visited and interacted with officers Sh. Harshvardhan, Head of training & with his team members of Escorts training and development centre to create a training academy at SRFMTTI. Escorts has shown keen interest to open a new academy at SRFMTTI and use of training facility at Bangalore.



M/S Red Land, Coimbatore, Tamilnadu was visited by Director SRFMTTI, P. Kamalabai, Sh. M.S Ali Moula from SRFMTTI, on dated 07-09-2023. They interacted with the officers of Red Land, Sh. Arjun ji & his team. They discussed possible collaboration in training and testing of the machinery. Strengthening of training facilities among both parties. He has shown keen interest in testing of machinery from SRFMTTI.

Director SRFMTTI, P. Kamalabai, SAE & D. Kankappa visited TAFE Training Center & interacted with officers from TAFE Sh. Narayanan. Director along with team visited Training Centres located in Bangalore on dated 08.09.2023. They discussed the opening of TAFE training academy at SRFMTTI for strengthening of training facilities among both parties. They have agreed on the opening of training facility at SRFMTTI after the visit.



Director SRFMTTI along with team P. Kamalabai, Sh. Nitesh Kumar Verma, visited KisanKraft on dated 28-09-2023 & interacted with the officers of Kisan Craft Sh. Sunil Prasad, Director-operations (COO) & with his team members. He agreed to help SRFMTTI in User Level Course at different locations in south India to utilize his dealer network. Moreover, testing of battery-operated equipments were requested to be tested at SRFMTTI.



### Visit to PHFMTC, ICAR-CIAE Regional Centre, Coimbatore

As per the directives of Ministry a Team in Chairmanship of the Director visited PHFMTC centre , Regional Station of ICAR-CIAE Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu for inspection as well as yearly review of the Centre. Team of two members Dr. BM Nandede and Smt. P. Kamalabai, visited to ascertain the upgradation request from Testing Centre with Combine harvesting testing facility” and “Plant Protection testing facility“ as an add-on testing activity. Various facilities available with the centre were reviewed. Moreover, the progress of the centre was also reviewed during the visit. Centre was also advised to send the recently joined testing staff for training at the SRFMTTI for upgradation of technical skills and upkeep of files records of the testing activity. Director also attended a meeting with manufacturers of the southern region to know ascertain the requirements. Their request to create the harvesting facility condering the upcoming combine manufacturing units by various manufacturers in southern India. Director along with team also interacted with the trainees and other staff of the centre.



### Visit of Anantapur M.P

Hon., Member of Parliament Mr. Talari Rangaiah from Anantapur constituency visited Southern Region Farm Machinery Training & Testing Institute, Tractor Nagar Garladinne along with Anantapur market Head ex-chairman on dated 11-09-2023 & discussed about the farmers issue & possible intervention by the institute. Director along with senior officials welcomes the MP and facilitate the visit of testing section of the Insitute. During this various issues at local level were brought in notice by team of senior officers



**నాణ్యమైన యంత్రాలు అందజేయాలి**

**మూల్యధారుతున్న ఎంపీ తలారి రంగయ్య**

గ్రాక్షణిస్త్రో: మండల పరిధిలోని దక్షిణ వ్యవసాయ యంత్రాల శిక్షణ, పరిక్షణ సంస్థ (ట్రాక్టర్ సగర్)ను సోమవారం ఆనంతపురం ఎంపీ తలారి రంగయ్య సందర్శించారు. వ్యవసాయ యంత్రాల నాణ్యతను పరిశీలించి, సైకులకు క్వాలిటీ యంత్ర పరికరాలు అందజేయాలన్నారు. అలాగే టెస్టింగ్ సెంటర్లో యంత్ర పరికరాలను పరిశీలించారు. ఆనంతపురం ట్రాక్టర్ సగర్ ద్వారా సైకులకు అందుతున్న సేవ కార్యక్రమాలపై నిబ్బందిని అడిగి తెలుసుకున్నారు. ట్రాక్టర్ సగర్ను సైకులు, అగ్రికల్చర్ విద్యార్థులు సదస్వినియోగం చేసుకోవాలన్నారు. కార్యక్రమంలో ట్రాక్టర్ సగర్ డైరెక్టర్ బాలాజీ మూడారి, ఆనంతపురం మార్కెట్ యార్డు మాజీ చైర్మన్ నారాయణ రెడ్డి, కమలాబాయి, నితీష్ శర్మ, చంద్రమౌళి, తదితరులు పాల్గొన్నారు.







## Events

### Swachhata Hi Sewa

With the directive of Government of India, Institute participated in Swachhata Hi Seva event. More than 30 locations including administration, farm, training and testing sections which need to be cleaned were identified. Every day from 15.09.23 to 02.10.23 on the pre-decided locations need to be cleaned on a daily basis. All staff from the training section including trainees actively participated in these events. Total 35-40 members actively taking part in this event on a daily basis.



### Special Campaign 3.0



Preparatory Phase of **Special Campaign 3.0** to identify the sites from all sections of the institutes was timely completed and essential reports have been submitted to the ministry. It was organized during 15-30 September 2023. The campaign commenced with an address by the Director to the staff in a meeting held on 11.09.2023. Around 14 sites were identified for cleaning during the period.

### Swachh Bharat Abhiyan

Swachh Bharat Abhiyan is one of the most significant and popular missions to have taken place in India. Swachh Bharat Abhiyan served as a great initiative in making people aware of the importance of cleanliness. The involvement of students and trainees for an on-session of the day in Swachh Bharat Abhiyan before its completion for every training batch. Institute has very active participation in Swachh Bharat Abhiyan. Whole batch conducted training during this quarter were involved in Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, total 26 nos of batches involved in this program & about 20 programmes conducted for Swachh Bharat Abhiyan & cleanliness drive at different locations in the SRFMTTI. Here some glimpses of the Swachhata are shown below.





Events

**Ganesh Utsav Festival Celebration**

The festival of Ganesh Utsav celebrated with full joy and happiness to the trainees and residents at SRFMTTI on dated 25-09-2023. From 19-09-23 to 25-09-23 all the students from different college also participated in evening aarti or puja at Pandal which established in Institute. Approxmetly 300 devoted had participated in puja everyday.



**గంగ ఒడికి గణనాథుడు**

గార్లదిన్నె, న్యూస్టుడే: గార్లదిన్నె సమీపంలోని ట్రాక్టర్‌నగర్‌లో కొలువుదీర్చిన వినాయకుడ్ని నిమజ్జనం చేశారు. సిబ్బందితో పాటు శిక్షణా విద్యార్థులు ఏడు రోజుల పాటు గణేశకు పూజలు నిర్వహించారు. ఆదివారం ఊరేగింపుగా వెళ్లి నిమజ్జనం చేశారు.

నిమజ్జనానికి తరలిస్తున్న ట్రాక్టర్ నగర్ సిబ్బంది, శిక్షణా విద్యార్థులు



ట్రాక్టర్ నగర్‌లో వినాయకుడి ఊరేగింపు

గార్లదిన్నె: మండల పరిధిలోని ట్రాక్టర్‌నగర్‌లో ఏడోరోజు ఆదివారం వినాయక విగ్రహ నిమజ్జనం కోలాహలంగా సాగింది. తొలుత ట్రాక్టర్ నగర్ సిబ్బంది కుటుంబ సభ్యులు భక్తిక్రద్దలతో వినాయకుడికి పూజలు చేశారు. అనంతరం ఒకరిపై ఒకరు రంగులు చల్లుకుంటూ, డప్పువాయిద్యాల నడుమ వినాయకుడి విగ్రహాన్ని ఊరేగింపుగా గార్లదిన్నె మీదుగా తీసుకెళ్లి కెనాల్‌లో నిమజ్జనం చేశారు.

**Independence Day Celebration**

The Independence Day was celebrated at the Institute on 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2023 with enthusiasm. The National flag was hoisted by Dr. B. M. Nandede, Director followed by his address to the staff and their families, trainees apprentices etc. Staff and their families participated in this cultural programme and refreshment was served. Around 150 participants participated in the event.



**Har Ghar Tiranga**



Har Ghar Tiranga campaign was also organized from 13-15 August 2023 at Institute. All staff as well as students participated in in the campaign and hoisted National flag at their quarters/office buildings. A flag march headed by the Director was on 14.08.2023 was carried out in the residential colony, office premises of the Institute to encourage people to hoist Tiranga. Around 100 participants including staff and trainees participated in this event.



## Farm Section

Out of the total Institute available land of 185.332 hecatere, 130.430 hectare land is being used towards Office area, Orchards, Forestry, Percolation tanks, Test tracks, Canal and residential areas, etc. The remaining 54.902 hectare land is at present Net cultivable area. Out of 54.902 Ha land, 28.00 Hectare is mend for growing seasonal Field crops (Both Kharif & Rabi seasons). within the area of 28.00 Hectare farm section has been raising different crops like Redgram, Jowar, Maize, Horsegram, Castor, etc. And Also supports various training and testing activities. The total mothwise rainfall recived during this quater is 175mm ( 29 mm (July), 30 mm (August), and 116 mm (september). Total revenue of rupess **3,65,696/** received in this quarter which is **56%** of total auctioned amount received in this FY 2023-24.

### I. AREA, PRODUCTION & AUCTIONED DETAILS OF HORTICULTURE CROPS

Sl. No.	Name of Plants	Area (Acre)	No of fruiting Plants	Auction date	Auction tenure upto	Total Auction amount	Remarks
1	SAPOTA	16.00	1630	13.07.2023	31.07.2024	4,52,786/-	
2	MANGO	1.65	60	The trees are now been in vegetative growth phase. Maintaining well in condition.			
3	MOSAMBI	2.88	200	29.08.2023	31.07.2024	36,000/-	
4	LEMON	1.22	60	13.07.2023	31.07.2024	32,000/-	
5	COCONUT	3.88	400	13.07.2023	31.07.2024	1,00,786/-	
<b>Long term Revenue Generated Plantation and Forestry Plantation:</b>							
6	TAMARIND	-	50	13.07.2023	31.07.2024	16,786/-	
7	MORINGA	-	30	29.08.2023	31.07.2024	4,700/-	(Drum Stick)
<b>Total revenue generated in FY 2023-24</b>						<b>6,43,058/-</b>	

### III. Farm Revenue Received During the Quarter, 2023-24 (Crop-Wise)

S.no.	MONTH	a) Revenue received against Horticultural Crops					Total (In Rs.)
		Sapota	Mango	Mosambi	Lemon	Coconut	
1	July	137344	----	---	8,000	-----	1,45,344
2	August	108714	---	---	24,000	46,000	1,78,714
3	September	---	---	9,000	---	13,922	22,922
<b>Total received</b>		<b>2,46058</b>	<b>-----</b>	<b>9000</b>	<b>32000</b>	<b>59,922</b>	<b>3,46,980</b>
<b>b) Revenue received against Field crops and Social forestry</b>							
		Red gram	Jowar Fodder	Horse gram	Tamarind	Mis Moringa ( Drumstick)	
4	July	---	---	---	4500	----	4,500
5	August	---	---	---	12286	-----	12,286
6	September	---	---	---	---	1930	1,930
<b>Total revenue received from July 23 to September 23 ( a+b)</b>							<b>3,65,696/-</b>

### IV. Social Forestry:

The dry wood laid here and there in farm area is like to be auctioned by the FPDC members under the special campaign 3.0 for disposal of Dry wood. For which, The farm is going to be auctioned vide Tender Notice No. 17-02/2021-Farm, on dated: 17.10.2023.



Administrative Section

**BUDGET ESTIMATE/EXPENDITURE FOR THE QUARTER JULY TO SEPTEMBER, 2023**

The Budget recived for the ministry for financial year under major head 4401 & 2401 is ₹ 674.25 Lakhs. The expendtiture incurred in Qrt II<sup>nd</sup> is ₹ 140.79879 Lakh. Percentage of budget utilisation in Qtr I<sup>st</sup> 25.43% and Qrt II<sup>nd</sup> is 20.88% of total budget. Total budget utilization by the end of Qrt II<sup>nd</sup> is 46.31% which amount to be ₹ 312.28772 Lakh, Respectively. The budget utilization show below is the actual expenditure made on all bills. However, the budeget tuilization under Majour heads '4401' which containing Motor vehicle, Machinery equipements and Major works till date is zero. However the supply order of Mahindra Pick-up vehicle is placed & procurments of Agriculture Drones, Generators, Sound level meter, Vibration level meter has been initiated which amount to be about ₹ 56 Lakh only.

Head	Budget Estimates 2023-2024	Expenditure as on 30.09.2023	Percentage (%)
<b>Major Head "2401" - Crop Husbandry, 113-Agricultural Engineering (Minor Head), 01 - Tractor Training &amp; Testing Institute, 01-Establishment</b>			
01-01-01 Salaries	2,50,00,000	59,65,470	23.86
01-01-02 Wages	15,00,000	4,15,171	27.68
01-01-06 Medical Treatment	15,00,000	1,21,318	8.09
01-01-07 Allowances	1,30,00,000	29,10,135	22.39
01-01-08 Leave Travel Concession	2,50,000	65,055	26.02
01-01-09 Training Expenses	2,00,000	1,000	0.50
01-01-11 Domestic Travel Expenses	17,00,000	4,46,927	26.29
01-01-13 Office Expenses	75,00,000	26,98,837	35.98
01-01-16 Printing & Publications	1,50,000	0	0
01-01-19 Digital Equipment	1,00,000	0	0
01-01-21 Supplies & Materials	25,00,000	6,32,711	25.31
01-01-24 Fuel & Lubricants	23,25,000	6,40,058	27.53
01-01-26 Advertisement & Publicity	7,00,000	1,67,797	23.97
01-01-27 Minor Works	15,00,000	0	0
01-01-28 Professional Services	1,00,000	0	0
01-01-29 Repair and Maintenance	1,00,000	11,000	11.00
01-01-49 Other Revenue Expenditure	1,00,000	0	0
01-96-13 Swachhta Action Plan	2,00,000	4,400	2.20
<b>SUB TOTAL (2401) A</b>	<b>5,84,25,000</b>	<b>1,40,79,879</b>	<b>24.10</b>

Head	Budget Estimates 2023-2024	Expenditure as on 30.09.2023	Percentage (%)
<b>Major Head "4401" - Capital Outlay on Crop Husbandry, 113- Agricultural Engineering, Minor Head-19 Tractor Training and Testing Institute</b>			
19-02-51 Motor Vehicle	15,00,000	0	0
19-02-52 Machinery and Equipment	75,00,000	0	0
19-02-53 Major Works	0	-	-
<b>SUB TOTAL ( 4401) B</b>	<b>90,00,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>SUB TOTAL (A+B)</b>	<b>67425000</b>	<b>1,40,79,879</b>	<b>20.88</b>

## Training / HRD

### Human Resource Development

The vision of e-Office is to achieve a simplified, responsive, effective and transparent working of all government offices. Therefore, to operate the files through e-office an initiative by Ministry, Institute has sent 10 officers/technical staff for training at NIC, New Delhi. Human resource to be utilised with efficiency and speedup e-file works, as directions from Ministry. After completion of the training of the staff, implementation of e-office at this Institute as accelerated. The participation of Officers/Officials to whom the e-Office training provided is shown in group photograph below.



**Row 1 (L-R):** Mr. Nitish Bhardwaj, Ms. Nidhi tyagi, Ms. Priyanka Sunariya, Ms. Laxmi priya, Mr. Jugdeep Sharma, Mr. Jai Singh Jadaun

**Row 2 (L-R):** Mr. Abhinav Kumar Verma, Mr. D Vasuki Krishna, Mr. Pramod Yadav, Mr. Virender Kumar, Mr. Rohit Shrivastava, Mr. Nitesh Kumar

**Row 3 (L-R):** Mr. Rajneesh Patel, Mr. Anil kumar Upadhyay, Mr. Chakradhar V. Chimote, Mr. Ram Prasad Pandey, Mr. Vijay Yadav



**Row 1 (L to R)** Mr. Chandra Bhanu, Ms. Laxmi pria Chauhan, Ms. Nidhi Tyagi, Ms. Surabhi, Ms. Priyanka Sunariya, Mr. Jagdeep Sharma, Mr. Nitish Bhardwaj

**Row 2 (L to R)** Mr. Ajay Kumar, Mr. Halke Bhai, Ms. P. Kamalabai, ,r. Vijay Kashyap, Mr. Gautam Raj, Mr. Sandeep Chugh

**Row 3(L to R)** Mr. Sunil Kumar Pradhan, Mr. Chinni Raja Sekhar, Mr. Bitul Payeng, Mr. S. Bilal, Mr. Sudhir Kumar Singh, Mr. J.P Mandal, Mr. Samir Kumar, Mr. P.P Rao

**Row 4(L to R)** Mr. Rajinder Singh, Mr. Mohd. Ahmad, Mr. Kantender Dobriyal, Mr. Anjali Kumar Rao, Mr. S.G Pawar Mr. Nand Kumar, Mr. Vijay Kumar

S. No	Name	Designation	Course Title	Date
1	Er. Pramod Yadav	Agricultural Engineer	E-Office Level - 1	04.07.23 to 07.07.23
	Er. Nitesh Kumar Varma	Agricultural Engineer		
	Shri. Rohit Shrivastava	Administrative Office		
	Shri. D. Vasuki Krishna	Office Superitendent		
2	Smt P. Kamalabai	Senior Agricultrual Engineer	E-Office Level - 1	01.08.2023 to 04.08.2023
	Shri. Sudhir Kumar Singh	Junior Translation Officer		
	Shri. Halke Bhai	Library information Assistant		
	Shri. Vijay Kashyap	Technical Assistant		
	Shri. S. Bilal	Upper Divisional Clark		
	Shri. Gautam Raj	Upper Divisional Clark		



## Events

### हिंदी पखवाड़ा उद्घाटन

राजभाषा विभाग, गृह मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार के निर्देशानुसार "राजभाषा हिन्दी पखवाड़ा, 2023" का उद्घाटन कार्यक्रम इस संस्थान में माननीय निदेशक महोदय डॉ. बी.एम. नांदेडे की अध्यक्षता में दिनांक 14.09.2023 को आयोजित किया गया। इस कार्यक्रम में कनिष्ठ अनुवाद अधिकारी श्री सुधीर कुमार सिंह ने दिनांक 14.09.2023 से 29.09.2023 तक हिन्दी पखवाड़े के दौरान आयोजित होने वाली विभिन्न गतिविधियों की विस्तृत जानकारी दी। इस अवसर पर निदेशक महोदय ने राजभाषा हिन्दी के महत्व, वैश्विक स्तर पर हिन्दी भाषा के बढ़ते महत्व और कार्यालय में हिन्दी भाषा के प्रयोग को बढ़ावा देने पर अपने विचार व्यक्त किये।



### हिन्दी श्रुतलेख प्रतियोगिता

राजभाषा हिन्दी पखवाड़ा, 2023 के दौरान दिनांक 15.09.2023 को स्टाफ के लिए हिन्दी श्रुतलेख प्रतियोगिता का आयोजन किया गया। प्रतियोगिता का आयोजन हिन्दी भाषी एवं हिन्दीतर भाषी प्रतियोगियों के दो अलग-अलग समूहों में किया गया।

### राजभाषा हिन्दी कार्यशाला

राजभाषा हिन्दी पखवाड़ा, 2023 के दौरान, इस संस्थान में दिनांक 21.09.2023 को राजभाषा हिन्दी की एक कार्यशाला का आयोजन किया गया जिसमें हिन्दी के प्रखर वक्ता एवं ज्ञाता श्री सूर्यनारायण रेड्डी, सेवानिवृत्त प्रधानाचार्य को अतिथि वक्ता की रूप में आमंत्रित किया गया था। इस कार्यशाला में संस्थान के सभी अधिकारियों, कर्मचारियों, अप्रेंटिसों, संविदा कार्मिकों के अतिरिक्त संस्थान में विभिन्न कॉलेजों से आये प्रशिक्षणार्थियों सहित लगभग 200 व्यक्तियों ने भी भाग लिया। अतिथि वक्ता श्री सूर्यनारायण रेड्डी महोदय ने अपने व्याख्यान के दौरान बहुत ही सरल, सहज एवं रोचक तरीके से सरकारी कामकाज के साथ-साथ दैनिक जीवन में भी हिन्दी के महत्व को बताया।



### हिन्दी पखवाड़ा समापन समारोह

राजभाषा हिन्दी पखवाड़ा, 2023 का समापन समारोह संस्थान में दिनांक 29.09.2023 को माननीय निदेशक डॉ. बी.एम. नांदेडे की अध्यक्षता में आयोजित किया गया। कार्यक्रम में सभी पदाधिकारी, संविदा कर्मी, अप्रेंटिस एवं प्रशिक्षणाधीन प्रशिक्षु सहित लगभग 200 व्यक्ति उपस्थित थे। न.रा.का.स., अनंतपुर के सचिव श्री मनीष अभिमन्यु चौरसिया कार्यक्रम के मुख्य अतिथि थे और न्यू हॉलैंड ट्रेक्टर के प्रशिक्षण प्रबंधक श्री शिरीष भिड़े कार्यक्रम के विशेष अतिथि थे। मुख्य अतिथि श्री मनीष अभिमन्यु चौरसिया ने प्रौद्योगिकी और नव विकसित सॉफ्टवेयर की मदद से सरकारी कामकाज में हिन्दी के उपयोग पर प्रकाश डाला तथा विशिष्ट अतिथि ने सरकारी कामकाज के साथ-साथ दैनिक जीवन में भी हिन्दी के महत्व को बताया। इस समारोह में राजभाषा हिन्दी पखवाड़ा के दौरान आयोजित विभिन्न गतिविधियों के विजेताओं को पुरस्कार भी वितरित किये गये तथा निदेशक महोदय ने राजभाषा हिन्दी नीति के कार्यान्वयन और सरकारी कामकाज में राजभाषा हिन्दी के महत्व के बारे में संक्षिप्त जानकारी दी। उन्होंने संस्थान के सभी अधिकारियों और कर्मचारियों को राजभाषा हिन्दी को बढ़ावा देने के लिए फाइल में हर दिन कम से कम एक वाक्य लिखने की सलाह दी।





**About our new Colleagues.....**

Dr. BM Nandede, Joined as Director, Southern Farm Machinery Training and Testing Institute, Garladinne, Anantapur on 07. 08.2023 (FN). He was working as a Senior Scientist, Indian Council of Agricultural Research -Central Institute of Agricultural Engineering (ICAR-CIAE), Nabi Bagh, Berisa Road, Bhopal. During tenure as research scientist has developed more than 30 technologies out of which 20 have been commercialized through licensing to Manufacturers. More than 1700 prototypes developed by him are working in the farmers field. Collectively more than 15 manufacturers are manufacturing the technologies and 81 license agreements have been signed prior to joining as Director. More than 70 Lakhs revenue has been collected over his research work.



He has published more than 25 research papers in National and International repute. Filed 04 patents, received 03 best reviewer award/letter of appreciation from of ISAE/ IEI etc. Received 03 best paper awards from prestigious Institutions such as ISAE, ISAS and IEI. In addition to it, attended 02 international training as part of Indian delegation to China one at Beijing and Changsha, China and another at PAU Ludhiana. Worked as major member of the committee of 06 PhD students for their PhD dissertation in CIAE, moreover through commercialization of the technologies he has promoted agricultural engineering manufacturing. All Staff of SRFMT&TI warmly welcomed as Director for future endavours.



Shri. Devender Paliwal, joined as Senior Technical Assistant (Instrumentation) at Southern Farm Machinery Training and Testing Institute, through Internal Transfer basis on 07.08.2023 (FN). He was working as a Senior Technical Assistant (Instrumentation) at Central Farm Machinery Training and Testing Institute, Budni ( M.P) before joining this Institute. He has assisted to carry out various test related to tarctor testing like Noise level, Mechanical vibration test & brake performance test etc & also had carry out service, maintenance, callibration& repair of various testing, electrical & electronics instruments.

**Our new Colleagues**

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