Krishi Vigyan Kendra-Khordha, ICAR-CIFA celebrated World Food Day

The Krishi Vigyan Kendra-Khordha, ICAR-CIFA, Kausalyaganga, Bhubaneswar celebrated World Food Day with the theme “Safe Food now for a healthy tomorrow” on 16th October, 2021 at KVK-Khordha, ICAR-CIFA. Dr. Saroj Kumar Swain, Director, ICAR-CIFA, Bhubaneswar graced the occasion as a Chief guest and appreciated the efforts of KVK-Khordha for organising the event. He highlighted about the food security, various agricultural schemes implemented by the Government of India for eradicating hunger & malnutrition, application of modern technologies in agriculture to enhance the production and productivity of agricultural crops and promotion of various agri-entrepreneurial activities for sustainable livelihood and food and nutritional security. Padmashree Batakrushna Sahoo encouraged the farmers about various entrepreneurial activities related to fishery for Income generation. Prof. L.M. Garnayak, Former Dean Extension Education, OUAT, Bhubaneswar enlightened the participants about food safety & adoption of Integrated Farming System for achieving food and nutrition security. Earlier, Mr. A.K. Dash, Senior Scientist & Head (I/C), KVK, Khordha welcomed the dignitaries and participants and briefed about the organic vegetable production for good health. Dr. P. Routray, Principal Scientist, ICAR-CIFA, Bhubaneswar enlighten the participants about the aim & theme of the World Food Day celebration. He also delivered a lecture about Monosex Tilapia: Emerging candidate species for food security. Shri Kedareswar Choudhuri, Secretary, Darbar Sahitya Sanshad (DSS), Khordha briefed about the various activities promoted by DSS for women empowerment & food security. He also focused on promotion of organic farming. Dr.Harapriya Nayak, Subject Matter Specialist (Home Science) briefed about Nutritional kitchen garden and importance of fish & vegetable for food security. Eleven progressive farmers from Balianta, Balipatna and Jatni Block of Khordha district were felicitated on this auspicious day for their outstanding contribution in agriculture & allied sector for achieving food security. A total of 62 officials from KVK, Khordha, ICAR-CIFA & progressive farmers from Khordha district participated in the programme. The programme was coordinated by Mr. A.K. Dash & Dr.Harapriya Nayak under the guidance & supervision of Dr. Saroj Kumar Swain, Director, ICAR-CIFA, Bhubaneswar.