# **BRAIN STORMING MEET ON**

# **GENDER AND SOCIAL ISSUES IN BIHAR AGRICULTURE**

8-9 May, 2017, DRPCAU, Pusa, Samastipur, Bihar

# Programme

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#### Preamble

India is agriculture based country. About 70 to 80% of people depend on agriculture. The status of agriculture in Bihar is more adverse than other states of India. The eastern Indian state of Bihar is characterized by low and stagnant economic growth, high levels of poverty and the lowest levels of per capita income among the states in the country, due to this reason Bihar has a rich history of outmigration from the state, which goes back to as early as the 19<sup>th</sup> century. This is only due to improper management and unavailability of adequate infrastructure. However, during the last few decades, migration for work has increased manifold, putting double to triple burden on the farm women for management of farm and household activities. Considerable research on various aspects of migration including the nature and pattern of migration destinations and other such correlates of a migrant's life outside the village has been done, yet there is sparse literature on the impact of this migration on people, especially on the farm women who are left behind in the villages for shouldering the entire responsibilities of household and farms. In such situation there is an urgent need to pay greater attention on women workers of Bihar to upgrade their livelihood opportunities. As we know that the women are the integral part of agricultural system, and development of women reflects the development of the society in general and farm women of Bihar in particular since they play a pivotal role at home, farm and in the society by participating in several tasks over seeding the work output by men. Hence, empowerment of women in agriculture is essential to enable women to realize their full identity and power in all spheres of life for overall progress and sustainable development of the society that is the key of "Second Green Revolution". The key challenges that the newly formed Bihar face remains: empowering the vast majority of rural women in Bihar to access basic services and exercise basic rights who have consistently been deprived due to their gender. The improvement in the situation of women is imperative for the future of Bihar as no state, especially, one as underdeveloped as Bihar can afford to waste the capabilities of half of its population. Against this draw back Dr. RPCAU, Pusa is bound to organize a brain storming meet on Gender and Social issues in Bihar agriculture on the theme areas given below:

#### Theme Areas of the Brain Storming:

- Gender equality and Agriculture
- Drudgery reduction technologies and intervention
- Micro-credit support to farm women.
- Impact of male migration on women's well-being and agency
- Socio-Economic Equality
- Quality Human Resource
- Education, Nutrition and Health of women and children
- Empowerment of farm women
- Decision making
- Capacity building
- Skill development

Information on these thematic areas during the course of Brain Storming Session will lead to fulfill the following specific objectives :

## Specific objectives

- To explore the impact of male migration on women's well-being and agency.
- To analyze the influence of male migration on women empowerment and decision making process.
- To invite inputs for strengthening decision making power of farm women who are heading the family (Women headed house hold) in absence of their migrants' counter parts,
- To develop a road map on Gender equality and Agriculture in the changing agriculture scenario.

#### About the organization:

Dr. Rajendra Prasad Central Agricultural University (Dr. RPCAU) Pusa started in October, 2016 after upgrading Rajendra Agricultural University (RAU). This University was established on December 3, 1970, for whole of Bihar, which is mother University of both Birsa Agricultural University, Ranchi and Bihar Agricultural University, Sabour, having most enviable and historic legacy. The University has a threefold mandates of Education, Research and Extension with the motto "Smile on Farmers' Faces". having five faculties, Seven research stations and Fourteen KVKs to meet the expectations of farmers, farm women and other stakeholders. The University has contributed immensely towards the Agricultural technologies, education and extension. Thus, the status of this University is in much higher position across the country and abroad.

Venue of the Meet	:	Dr.Rajendra Prasad Central Agricultural University, Pusa, (Samastipur) Bihar-848125 - <u>www.pusaversity.org</u>	
Date of the Meet	:	8-9 <sup>th</sup> May, 2017	
Connectivity	:	: The University is located at a distance of 20 km fromSamastipur, 40 km from Muzaffarpur and 100 km from Patna. It is well connected by Road, Rail and Air. The place is connected to several places of tourist interest like Vaishali, Kumharar, Janakpur, Gaya etc.	
Climate	:	The Climate of Pusa during May is pleasant and is called Summer season. The mean maximum and minimum temperature is around 36°C and 30°C respectively	
Chief Patron Prof. R.C Srivastava	:	Hon'ble Vice- Chancellor, DRPCAU, Pusa	
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