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KRISHI MELA TO SHOWCASE INNOVATIONS

New Delhi, 9 March: Like every year, this year too the Indian Agriculture Research Institute (IARI) is organising a three-day Krishi Vigyan Mela beginning tomorrow at its Mela Ground with the thematic concept "Technologies for Inclusive Growth".

This time there will be 300 stalls in the Mela for display/ sale of various kinds of technologies, products and services to the farmers. On the occasion, various farm varieties developed by the agricultural scientists to be introduced include rice, wheat, pulses, vegetables, limes, fruits and flowers.

Several other innovative technologies likely to draw the attention of the Mela visitors include eco-friendly waste water treatment technique, which reduces waste water treating cost by upto 65 per cent; soil testing and fertiliser recommendation meters, which determines six soil parameters with crop-specific fertiliser recommendation; compost inoculation, which can degrade crop residue and turn it into nutrient-rich compost; green flakes, which is a ready to eat crunchy product and is said to be very beneficial for diabetic people. **ANS**