

SKUAST-TAJ visited Dryland, Rainfed Research Stations, discuss issues



SKUAST-TAJ team along with scientific staff of Dryland Research Station, Dhiansar

The office bearers of SKUAST-TAJ under the leadership of Dr. Vikas Sharma visited Dryland Research Sub-Station (DLRSS), Rakh Dhiansar and Rainfed Research Sub-Station for Subtropical Fruits (RRSSF), Raya to discuss the problems being faced by the scientists. Dr. Anil Kumar Sharma I/c Dhiansar Research Station and Dr Vijay Bahadur Singh I/c Raya Research Station apprised the association about the problems being faced by scientific staff such as release of arrears on account of pending DA / advance increments, inclusion of scientists in advisory committee, watch / ward and internet facility for research stations, immediate abolishment of contract system for labourers *etc.* The scientists stressed for the constitution of Finance Management Committee and separate Accounts Officer for research stations of SKUAST-Jammu. The president, Dr. Vikas Sharma assured the scientists that their issues will be taken on priority basis with the University authorities for immediate redressal and elaborated that association has tried its level best to solve all pending cases of scientific fraternity. Dr. Vikas further emphasized that SKUAST-TAJ has started a series of visits to the outstations of the varsity located at different districts for interaction with the working scientists and to understand the problems being faced by them in these remote areas.

The meeting was attended by Dr. Vivek M. Arya, Dr. Devinder Sharma, Dr. Rajeev Bharat, Dr. Vikas Abrol, Dr. Rakesh Sharma, Dr Brinder Singh, Dr. Brijnandan Mankotia, Dr. AC Jha that ended with formal vote of thanks by Dr. Pardeep Kumar Rai.