Webinar on Scope & Challenges in Bio-Entrepreneurship

NAHEP-IDP UHSB organised one day webinar on "Scope & Challenges in Bio Entrepreneurship" on 21.05.2022 through online mode at zoom platform. The aim of conducting webinar was to create awareness about entrepreneurial scope, challenges and opportunities to students / young budding entrepreneurs from successful biotechnological entrepreneurs. At starting, Nodal officer Dr. Rajashekhara E. welcomed all dignitaries, resource persons and participants with brief introduction about the resource persons. Inaugural note was delivered by Dr. M.S. Kulkarni, Director of Education, UHSB. The core part of the webinar started by Dr. S. Ghosh, Director, Multiplex Biotech Pvt. Ltd. Bengaluru. "Scope of biotechnology towards agri-entrepreneurship" topic was well explained by Dr. S. Ghosh, about the current biotechnological opportunity's status with respect to bio-entrepreneurship. Green technology includes the improvement of quality and quantity of plant production. Mr. Vincent Mathew, Director, Juniper life science, Bengaluru delivered lecture on topic "Entrepreneurial Challenges and Indian Bio-economy". The presentation comprised with wide explanation of bioeconomy and various components of bio-economy, financial benefits and funding agencies, different schemes availed from central and state level to start up bio-entrepreneurship, marketing, entrepreneurial skills which assisted young budding entrepreneurs to forecast their business ideas with respect to Indian bio-economy. Mr. Manjunath R., Founder and CEO Future Biotech, Dharwad delivered a talk on "Journey of agribiotech enterprise - future biotech". Future biotech is an agri biotechnology-based enterprises in Karnataka.

The challenges in developing microbial pesticides, role and importance on bio-based products, development of bio fungicides, marketing challenges, dealing to cope up with farmers basic farming routines. the webinar on these burning topics gave the students an insight opportunistic view regarding scope and opportunities in bio-technological aspects. The valedictory session was conducted by Dr. Shruti P. Gondi, Young professional II, NAHEP-IDP, UHSB. Totally 352 candidates were registered for the webinar. The webinar session also went through live streaming at YouTube to benefit the interested people worldwide. The beneficiaries of this webinar were students of science background, teaching faculty, young budding entrepreneurs and successful entrepreneurs. This webinar was organised under the guidance of Dr. R. K. Mesta, PI NAEP-IDP UHSB, with the co-organisers Dr. Rajashekhara E., Dr. Raghavendra G., Dr. Chaitra Poleshi, Dr. Shruti, P.G. and Dr. Thilak, NAHEP-IDP Team, UHS Bagalkot.