

Meeting with the Secretary, Ministry of Food Processing & Industries, GoI, New Delhi

Shri. J.P. Meena, Secretary, Ministry of Food Processing & Industries, GoI, New Delhi visited the Institute on 4th May 2018. He opined that the research organizations should concentrate on commercializing one or two major technologies to make a larger impact on the entrepreneurship development and to make a larger foot print in the processing sector. Processability of the varieties and recommendation of the right variety for the specific purpose with high output are the major concern of the industries to make the business profitable and viable. Dr. S. Uma, Director, ICAR- NRCB, briefed the institute achievements in the different spectra of banana cultivation, handling and processing. She highlighted that the institute has developed more than 25 different processed products in which 18 different technologies were transferred to more than 60 entrepreneurs. The Secretary along with Dr. B. K. Behera, Economic adviser, MoFP&I and Dr. C. Anandharamakrishnan, Director, IIFPT, Thanjavur also visited the farm, lab and processing facilities of the institute along with the scientists of the Institute. Dr. B. Padmanaban, Head, Crop protection, proposed a vote of thanks.

