

Dr. A.K. Sikka, Former DDG (NRM) Visits ICAR-CAZRI

Dr. A.K. Sikka, Former Deputy Director General, NRM Division, ICAR, New Delhi visited Central Arid Zone Research Institute, Jodhpur on 23 May, 2025. On his arrival, he was accorded a warm welcome. He was accompanied by the Director and scientists to have a glance at the ongoing research activities in the CAZRI farm and visited Cattle Demonstrate unit, Small Ruminant Research Unit, Budded- Khejri based agroforestry system, Soil laboratory (Spectro-radiometer function unit) and Centre for Combating Desertification cell of Division of Natural Resources. He also interacted with scientists at Integrated crop cafeteria and solar based rain water conservation system.

In the afternoon, an interacting meeting was organized which was attended by Head of Divisions, scientists and Officers of the institute. Dr. O.P. Yadav, Director, made a presentation to brief about the salient achievements accomplished by the institute. Dr. Sikka spoke on the occasion and recalled his interactions about CAZRI while serving as DDG (NRM). He stated that he is highly impressed with the state of recent developments happening in the CAZRI where each of parcel of land is utilized to its fullest extent. He opined that, today, CAZRI is one of the best institutes in whole of ICAR organization and asked CAZRI scientists to keep up the present trend of quality research and progress. On this occasion, he released a CAZRI publication entitled “ICAR-CAZRI - A decade (2016-2025) of New Initiatives, Developments and Deeds”.

