

Visit of Dr. Louis Longchamps, Research Scientist , Govt. of Canada, to AAU, Anand

Dr. Louis Longchamps, Research Scientist at the Agri & Agri Food Canada, Department of Agriculture, Govt. of Canada along with Joachim Rocha, Trade Commissioner and Jeena George, Trade Commissioner Assistant, Trade Office of Canada, Ahmedabad, visited Anand Agricultural University, Anand on 12th October 2018. They had an interaction meeting with the Hon. Vice Chancellor, Dr. N.C. Patel and Associate Director of Research Dr. M.K. Zhala. Dr. Dhaval R Kathiriya, Principal & Dean - College of AIT and Dr R S Pundir, Professor, IABMI, facilitated the visit of the delegation. The purpose of the visit of Dr Louis Longchamps was to know the various activities being carried out at AAU with particular focus on precision farming and agricultural information technology and also to explore the areas of collaboration between the two countries in the broad area of agriculture research.

During interaction, Dr. N.C. Patel, Hon. Vice Chancellor, briefed the delegation about various teaching, research and extension related activities being carried out at AAU. The Hon. Vice Chancellor observed agricultural information technology, agribusiness, food processing and land reclamation and development as the major potential areas of collaborative research between the two countries. After the interaction meeting the delegation visited Information Technology Center, where a presentation of existing IT

infrastructure, softwares and various IT projects including Mobile Apps of AAU have been shown . Dr. Louis Longchamps was highly appreciative of the APPs being used by the AAU and farming community. The delegation also visited Sardar Patel Educational Museum and the College of Agricultural Information Technology.

Dr. Longchamps had a detailed interaction on various issues with the faculty members of College of Agricultural Information Technology. The delegation was highly impressed with the infrastructural facilities and educational system at AAU, Anand.



