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**Expert lecture on “Researches on diversity of certain useful and phytopathogenic fungi” organized at B. A. College of Agriculture**

Fungi are essential organisms in natural ecosystem, playing a vital role as decomposers, maintaining symbiotic and pathogenic relationships with organism from other kingdoms. Fungi have been used by human beings since ancient time, mainly for food processing. To address the economic importance of fungi and its diversified research which may lead to proper identification of fungi an expert guest lecture by Prof. (Dr.) Arun Arya, Ex. Head, Department of Botany and Environmental Science, M. S. University of Baroda, Vadodara was organized under the guidance of Hon. Vice Chancellor Dr. K. B. Kathiria by Dept. of Plant Pathology, B. A. College of Agriculture, AAU, Anand on 5<sup>th</sup> July, 2022 at 10:00 AM in PG seminar hall of BACA. The programme was initiated with the welcome address by Dr. R. G. Parmar, Professor and Head, Department of Plant Pathology followed by floral welcome of the guest speaker and distinguished personalities. Dr. N. M. Gohel, Associate Professor, Department of Plant Pathology gave the brief introduction of Prof. (Dr.) Arun Arya. Total 120 students and faculty participated in the lecture.

The guest speaker Dr. (Prof.) Arun Arya on this occasion, sensitized the listeners with evolutions, discoveries and advance research on fungi. The lecture was very informative with respect to economic importance of fungi, its evolution and different methods of isolation of fungi from different sources.

Dr. Y M Shukla, Principal and Dean, BACA, AAU, Anand concluded the session by delivering presidential address and felicitating the guest speaker with the memento and shawl. Dr. Puja Pandey, Assistant Professor, proposed vote of thanks at the end of session.

