

Kansas State University Students Visit



An 18-member delegation from Kansas State University, comprising of students and faculty members is on a visit to Punjab Agricultural University under the KSU Study Abroad Programme from May 25-30. The delegation met Dr. Manjit Singh Kang, Vice-Chancellor, PAU, who while welcoming them apprised them of the educational, research and transfer of technology programme of PAU. The delegation was received by the PAU students by presenting floral bouquets. During interaction, Dr. Kang said that visits to institutes provide useful opportunities of learning. He added that PAU has endeavoured sending its students and young researchers to different institutes abroad as a human resource development activity. Those who interacted with the delegation included the Director Students Welfare, Dr. P.P.S.Lubana and Additional Director of Communication, Dr. Jagtar Singh Dhiman. The delegation members were taken around departments of Food Science and Technology, Apiary House, Museum of Social History of Punjab, Department of Foods and Nutrition, where they held discussion with faculty and students.

Later, Dr. Dhiman delivered a lecture on 'PAU an Epicenter of Green Revolution' and highlighted the achievements made by PAU on the food front and spelt out the constraints in contemporary agriculture in the Farmers Service Center. He also touched upon the educational programmes started by PAU for rural students. Dr. Sajid Alavi of KSU discussed opportunities and challenges in food processing in an Indian context. Dr. B. Subramaniam discussed food safety regulations. The speakers responded to queries by the delegates. The Coordinator of the visit, Mr. Vikas Sharma said that the KSU students will cover various activities such as visiting bakery industry, flour mills and to have cultural interactions. Dr. Nirmal Singh Jaura of Centre for Communication and International Linkages said that the visitors will hold discussions with experts of Department of Economics and Sociology on grain procurement and markets in India, with Dr. D.K.Vasan of Indian Grain Storage Institute on grain storing and handling. Dr. Hulya Dogan of KSU will deliberate on flour milling systems, he said. Dr. Alavi thanked the speakers and experts for sharing useful information with the students.