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Co 21003 (Kaveri): A high-yielding, climate-resilient sugarcane variety for Tamil Nadu

Sugarcane is grown across diverse agro-climatic regions, including the Cauvery delta, western districts, and coastal belts. However, sugarcane cultivation in Tamil Nadu state is increasingly facing several challenges such as erratic rainfall, declining groundwater levels, rising input costs, labour scarcity, high harvesting expenses, and frequent incidences of pests and diseases. These constraints have resulted in fluctuations in productivity and farmer profitability, highlighting the urgent need for improved, stress-tolerant sugarcane varieties.

At present, Co 86032 dominates sugarcane cultivation in Tamil Nadu, occupying more than 50% of the total area. To diversify and strengthen the varietal base, the ICAR-Sugarcane Breeding Institute, Coimbatore has developed several improved varieties such as Co 11015, Co 14012, Co 14005, and Co 18009. In this context, a promising mid-late maturing variety, Co 21003 (KAVERI), has been developed with a combination of high yield potential, superior juice quality, drought tolerance and resistance to major diseases. This variety is expected to play a significant role in enhancing sustainable sugarcane production in Tamil Nadu.

Development and evaluation

Co 21003 was developed through a systematic hybridization using two elite parents. The female parent, CoM 0265, is known for its high yield potential and drought tolerance,

while the male parent, Co 11015, contributes superior juice quality. The clone was initially identified in Pre-Zonal Varietal Trials conducted at ICAR-SBI, Coimbatore during 2020-21. In the station trials, Co 21003 recorded a cane yield of 152.66 t/ha, sugar yield of 20.58 t/ha and sucrose content of 19.47%. When compared to the popular standard variety Co 86032, it showed substantial improvement in both cane and sugar yields along with higher sucrose percent. It was subsequently tested across multiple locations in Tamil Nadu through collaborative trials with sugar mills under the Institute-Industry partnership supported by South Indian Sugar Mills Association, Chennai.

Performance of Co 21003 in Tamil Nadu during 2023-2025

Multi location trials were conducted in ten sugar mills spanning five agro-climatic zones in Tamil Nadu during 2023-2025. The entry Co 21003 recorded substantial improvement in cane yield, sugar yield and sucrose % than the standard variety Co 86032 (Table 1). Overall, the clone recorded 10.89 per cent improvement in cane yield (156.13 t/ha) over the check Co 86032 (140.80 t/ha) and it also recorded an improvement of 13.29% for sugar yield (20.95 t/ha) compared to the check Co 86032 (18.49 t/ha) in trials conducted across Tamil Nadu.

Salient features of Co 21003

Co 21003 is mid-late maturing sugarcane variety with multiple desirable traits. The variety is resistant to red rot, including the prevalent pathotypes Cf671 and Cf94012

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Table 1. Mean of two plant and ratoon crops performance of Co 21003 in Tamil Nadu (2023-2025)

Variety	Crop performance	Tamil Nadu					
		Mean	% improvement over Co 86032	Mean	% improvement over Co 86032	Mean	% improvement over Co 86032
		Sugar yield (t/ha)		Cane yield (t/ha)		Sucrose (%)	
Co 21003	I Plant (2023-24)	20.84	8.20	157.53	5.90	18.81	1.46
	II Plant (2024-25)	21.47	13.84	161.60	9.32	18.77	2.62
	Average	21.16	10.99	159.56	7.58	18.79	2.29
	Ratoon (2024-25)	20.74	15.67	152.57	14.50	19.43	1.15
	Overall mean	20.95	13.29	156.13	10.89	19.11	1.70
Co 86032	I Plant (2023-24)	19.26		148.87		18.54	
	II Plant (2024-25)	18.86		147.82		18.29	
	Average	19.06		148.35		18.37	
	Ratoon (2024-25)	17.93		133.25		19.21	
	Overall mean	18.49		140.80		18.79	

occurring in Tamil Nadu, and also exhibits resistance to smut and yellow leaf disease. In addition, it is moderately tolerant to drought conditions. It is a tall variety exceeding 300 cm in height, with erect growth habit, thick solid canes and excellent field stand. It is a non-lodging and sparse flowering type with good ratooning ability. In ratoon trials, Co 21003 recorded 14.50% higher cane yield, 15.67% higher sugar yield and 1.12% improvement in sucrose percentage compared to the standard check Co 86032.

Morphological features

Co 21003 exhibits a semi-erect growth habit with tall, robust, thick, cylindrical canes exhibiting a characteristic greyed reddish-orange colour with prominent ivory markings on the internodes. The variety possesses medium to large, round buds with a distinct absence of bud groove. The leaf sheath is purple-green with low waxiness, and the leaves are erect, forming a well-structured canopy. The combination of ivory markings, absence of bud groove, purple-green



Fig. 1. Morphological features of Co 21003

sheath, and erect growth habit makes Co 21003 readily distinguishable from other varieties (Fig. 1).

Considering its consistent performance, adaptability, and multiple advantages, Co 21003 has been released as Co 21003 (KAVERI) for cultivation in Tamil Nadu by the 56th State Varietal Release Committee and 43rd State Seed Sub-Committee for Tamil Nadu held on 12 January 2026. Adoption of this variety is expected to benefit both farmers and the sugar industry, contributing to long-term sugarcane sustainability in the region.

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OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

Field Day

A Field Day was conducted in Alagathiripalayam village of Tiruppur district under AICRP on Seed (Crops) on 06 February 2026 (Fig. 2). About 80 participants comprising registered seed farmers, sugarcane farmers from nearby areas, scientists and technical staff of the Institute participated. During the field day, the participants witnessed the Farmers participatory quality seed production plots of four varieties in seed chain viz., Co 86032, Co 11015, Co 14012 and Co 18009. The seed cane farmers interacted with the Scientists about the seed production programme. The Director, ICAR-SBI, Coimbatore addressed the gathering and emphasized on the importance of quality seed for sustainable sugarcane production.



Fig. 2. Field Day in seed production plot

Field Day on Sugarcane Variety Co 14012

A Field Day on the sugarcane variety Co 14012 was organized in collaboration with ICAR-KVK, Palakkad at the Melechootra tribal settlement in the Attappady hills, Palakkad district of Kerala on 10 February 2026 (Fig. 3). The program was conducted at the frontline demonstration plot under the Development Action Plan for Scheduled Tribe Component project. In his Address, Dr. P. Govindaraj, Director, ICAR-SBI reviewed the historical significance of sugarcane cultivation in Kerala and discussed factors contributing to the decline in cultivated area in recent decades. Referring to the GI-tagged Marayoor jaggery of Idukki district, prepared predominantly using the Institute-



Fig. 3. Frontline demonstration plot, Co 14012

developed Co 86032 variety, he indicated that Co 14012 could serve as a promising alternative to the long-cultivated variety, Co 86032. A leaflet on the mid-late maturing, sucrose-rich variety, Co 14012 was released and seed material of Co 14012 was distributed to the participating farmers. Participants visited the demonstration plot of Co 14012, where the crop was about nine months old. An interactive session followed, during which scientists addressed farmers' queries related to crop management and cultivation practices. Over 100 farmers from Agali and Pudur panchayats participated in the event.

Field Day on sugarcane variety Co 18009

A 'Field Day' showcasing the newly released mid-late maturing sugarcane variety 'Co 18009' was organized on 19 March 2026 in collaboration with Bannari Amman Sugars Ltd., at Kanjappalli village, Annur Taluk, in Coimbatore district, Tamil Nadu (Fig. 4). Addressing the gathering of farmers and extension officials, Director of ICAR-SBI urged farmers to adopt new and improved cane varieties such as Co 18009, Co 11015 and Co 14012. He noted that old varieties tend to lose productivity over time, become susceptible to diseases, and reduce the sugarcane farmers' income. Pointing to the challenges such as labour scarcity, he emphasized that around 75% of sugarcane cultivation must be mechanized to maintain profitability. Seed material of Co 18009 and extension literature was distributed to all participants. Dr. D. Puthira Prathap, Principal Scientist at ICAR-SBI explained that the Field Day was organized to



Fig. 4. Frontline demonstration plot, Co 18009

gather feedback from farmers on the performance of Co 18009 variety, demonstrated in a 1.9-acre plot managed by an enterprising woman farmer. Participants were taken around the demonstration plot of Co 18009 and the farmer shared her positive experience with the 11 month old crop, such as its non-flowering nature, less-spines, high tillering ability, more internodes, and excellent yield potential. During the Q&A session, scientists from the Institute addressed farmers' questions on managing Striga weed, insect pests, and pokkahboeng disease. The event was attended by Shri S. Shanmugasundaram, Vice-President, Dr. S. Mohan, Assistant General Manager of Bannari Amman Sugars Ltd.; Shri Rajan, Deputy Agricultural Officer, Government of Tamil Nadu; representatives from Akashvani; and farmers.

Participation in Exhibitions

ICAR-SBI participated in the Erode Conference organized by *Kisan morchha* during 4-5 January 2026 at Erode, Tamil Nadu by putting up a stall. The Hon'ble Union Minister for Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare paid a visit to the stall. A detailed walkthrough of popular sugarcane varieties, live-specimens, technologies and products displayed at the stall was presented to the visitors (Fig. 5).



Fig. 5. ICAR-SBI stall in Erode Conference

ICAR-SBI Regional Centre, Karnal participated in the 'National Dairy Mela and Agri Expo 2026' held at ICAR-NDRI, Karnal during 6-8 March 2026 and its exhibition stall bagged the first prize (Fig. 6).



Fig. 6. ICAR-SBI, RC, Karnal stall in the 'National Dairy Mela and Agri-Expo 2026'

PROGRAMS ORGANIZED

'Karmayogi Jan Seva' program

'Rashtriya Karmayogi Jan Seva' program as a part of mission Karmayogi was held in the Institute during 7-9 January 2026. The program was conducted by Dr. P. Manivel, Head, ICAR-NIRCA-RS, Veda sandur and Dr. T. Subramani, Principal Scientist, ICAR-SBI. The programme involved interactive and participative sessions wherein staff from different categories (Scientific/Technical/Administration/Supporting Staff) formed groups and were given training on improving effectiveness and developing empathy to enable governance initiatives reach the citizens better.

Republic Day

Republic Day was celebrated on 26 January 2026. Dr. P. Govindaraj, Director hoisted the national flag and addressed the staff of the Institute (Fig. 7).



Fig. 7. Dr. P. Govindaraj, Director, ICAR-SBI addressing th staff

Martyr's Day

Martyr's Day marking the death anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi was observed in the Institute by observing two minutes silence on 30 January 2026.

Sensitization program

A Sensitization program on Prevention Of Sexual Harassment (POSH) was conducted at the Institute on 05 February 2026 (Fig. 8). Smt. Anitha Anbarasi, CEO & Director, Aishwariyam SCO & RTC, Coimbatore delivered a talk on 'POSH awareness: Creating a safe and respectful workplace'.



Fig. 8. Sensitization program on POSH

Launch of Bharat Vistaar

All staff of the institute participated in the online National launch of I phase of the Bharat Vistaar - A multilingual AI-



Stakeholders Workshop

ICAR- Sugarcane Breeding Institute (ICAR-SBI), Coimbatore in association with Society for Sugarcane Research and Development (SSRD), Coimbatore had organized a Stakeholder Workshop on 'Sugar industry in South India: Present challenges and future roadmap' on 17 March 2026 (Fig. 9).

Inaugurating the workshop, Shri Venkata Rao, Director of Sugar and Cane Commissioner, Government of Andhra Pradesh said that healthy sugarcane seed production is crucial to maximize cane yields to prevent spread of diseases and maintain genetic purity. Expressing concern over the decline of the sugarcane sector in Andhra Pradesh, he highlighted the need for developing early maturing varieties with high ratooning ability, suitable for the state. Dr. P. Govindaraj, Director, ICAR-SBI and President, SSRD, in his opening remarks, reflected on the rich legacy of the 114-year old Institute and its significant contributions to the growth and development of the sugarcane sector over the years. Referring to the increasing competition from alternative crops for sugarcane in Tamil Nadu, he observed that unless farmers are able to achieve yields of more than 60 tons per acre, sustaining their interest in sugarcane cultivation would be challenging. He further noted that the present issues faced by the sugarcane sector in South India could be effectively addressed by developing location-specific packages of technologies aimed at achieving yields of at least 60 tons per acre, ensuring about 80% mechanization of farm operations, and attracting as well as retaining youth through technology-driven sugarcane farming. Shri R. Varadarajan, President, South Indian Sugar Mills Association (SISMA) and Whole-time Director, Rajshree Sugars and Chemicals Ltd., stated that under the current scenario in Tamil Nadu, both sugarcane farmers and sugar mills are not receiving adequate returns. He emphasized that this challenge could be overcome by improving and sustaining sugarcane productivity, enhancing mechanization, and promoting collective farming approaches. Shri J.A. Ashiq, Chief Operating Officer, EID Parry (India) Ltd., expressed concern over the declining soil health in Tamil Nadu and suggested that ICAR-SBI could play a vital role by providing variety-specific soil health recommendations to support farmers in improving productivity. In her Special Address, Mrs. J. Anitha, Vice-Chairperson, SNJ Group of Companies, highlighted the major challenges confronting sugarcane sector including water scarcity, heavy dependence on labour and rising cost of production. She noted that the adoption of AI-driven farming practices for quick farm-level decision-making could contribute significantly to the revival and strengthening of the sugar industry.

Sixteen progressive farmers from Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Telangana, Tamil Nadu and Maharashtra were honored for their outstanding contributions to sugarcane agriculture. Dr. K. Kannan, Head, Division of Crop Production, ICAR-SBI and Secretary, SSRD welcomed the gathering and Shri M. Krishnan, Vice-President, SSRD proposed a formal Vote of Thanks. The workshop was organized through multiple concurrent technical sessions, panel discussions, and interactive deliberations. Over 250 farmers and cane development personnel from the southern states participated in the workshop. The suggestions and recommendations that came out of the deliberations will be useful in finding resolution of the recurring problems of the south Indian sugar industry on a sustainable basis while keeping a balance between the interest of various stakeholders.



Fig. 9. Stakeholders Workshop (17 March 2026)

based conversational advisory system for the agriculture sector, announced in the Union Budget 2026-27 on 17 February 2026.

International Women's Day

International Women's Day was celebrated in the Institute on 10 March 2026 with the theme 'Empowering women to secure our digital future'(Fig. 10). Smt. Subitha, Managing Trustee of 'We Wonder Women' graced the occasion as Chief Guest. Dr.S. Alarmelu, Chairperson, Women's Cell gave the Welcome Address and Dr. K. Kannan, Director In Charge delivered the Presidential Address. Three women farmers

from Coimbatore were felicitated for their contribution in organic farming in fruits and vegetables.



Fig. 10. Women's Day celebration (10 March 2026)



National Science Day celebration

National Science Day was celebrated at ICAR-Sugarcane Breeding Institute, Coimbatore on 27 February 2026 as an Open Day under the theme 'Women in Science-Catalyzing towards Viksit Bharat' (Fig. 11-12). The event aimed to promote scientific awareness and inspire young minds by showcasing the research, technologies and innovation of the Institute. The program's visit to the Institute Museum, Science Exhibition, Tissue Culture Laboratory, institute-developed product demonstrations, sugarcane based farming system unit offered a truly immersive environment for experiential learning. The students also witnessed drone demonstrations, jaggery processing, interacted with scientists, viewed institutional videos and enjoyed farm fresh sugarcane juice. The afternoon session featured the National Science Day Lecture held at the Institute's Centenary Seminar Hall. Dr. P. Govindaraj, Director, ICAR-SBI in his Presidential Address recalled the contributions of legendary scientist like Dr. E.K. Janaki Ammal who had earlier served in the Institute and emphasized the role of science and technology in realizing Viksit Bharat in 2047. Dr. Parvathi Vaidyanathan, Consultant Psychotherapist and Clinical Director, Child Development Centre in Sri Ramakrishna Hospital, Coimbatore was the Chief Guest and delivered an interactive session on 'Different Brains, Shared Excellence'. She brought out the realities of life, both at home and work place and ways to harmoniously blend both for a healthy living.

Dr. T. Rajula Shanthi, Principal Scientist and Head, Extension coordinated the events of the Science Day and said that the Science Day attracted over 1050 visitors, including students and teachers from various schools and colleges across Coimbatore district. The curiosity of the students and their creative questions about unexplored areas gave us a fillip in research. Dr. A. Ramesh Sundar, Principal Scientist and Head, Division of Crop Protection welcomed the gathering and Dr. K. Kannan, Principal Scientist and Head, Division of Crop Production proposed Vote of Thanks.



Fig. 11. Students visiting the Institute on National Science Day



Fig. 12. Dr. Parvathi Vaidyanathan delivering the Science Day lecture

Release of PM Kisan Fund

The function of release of 22nd instalment of PM Kisan Fund was organised at the Institute by inviting farmers on 13 March 2026. All staff of the institute attended live telecast of the release.

Special lecture

A special lecture on 'Combined abiotic and biotic stresses: Insights into tolerance mechanisms and strategic approaches for combating them in Indian agriculture' by Dr. M. Senthil Kumar, Scientist V, National Institute of Plant Genome Research, New Delhi, was organized at the institute on behalf of NAAS regional Chapter, Coimbatore on 23 March 2026 (Fig. 13).



Fig. 13. Special Lecture organized by NAAS Coimbatore Chapter

OTHER HAPPENINGS

Meetings

- ◆ 103rd Institute Management Committee meeting of the Institute was held on 18 February 2026.
- ◆ Institute Joint Staff Council Meeting held on 20 March 2026

- ◆ Senior Officers Committee meetings held on 13 January 2026, 05 February 2026 and 13 March 2026.
- ◆ DPC meeting for probation clearance and confirmation of Scientists held on 05 March 2026.
- ◆ Grievance Committee meetings held on 23 January 2026, 17 February 2026 and 19 March 2026.

- ♦ Women's Cell meeting held on 18 February 2026.
- ♦ Selection Committee Meetings for Project Fellow, JRF, YP-I, YP-II (IT), Semi-skilled worker held on 05 January 2026, 24 February 2026, 12 March 2026, 13 March 2026 & 17 March 2026.

Education

Eighteen students successfully completed 15/21/30 days exposure training (four students) and three months project work (14 students) in the areas of Biotechnology, Biochemistry, Microbiology and Bioinformatics.

Scientific participation

- ♦ Drs. P. Govindaraj, D. PuthiraPrathap, R. Karuppaiyan and R.T. Maruthi participated in the meeting during the visit of Honorable Agricultural Minister to Erode Conclave, Tamil Nadu organized by 'Kisan Morcha' on 5 January 2026.
- ♦ Dr. T. Ramasubramanian: ESI Foundation Day and National Conference on EntoFrontiers 2026: Innovations for sustainable pest management and ecosystem resilience' held at KAU, Thrissur during 27-29 January 2026.
- ♦ Dr. D. PuthiraPrathap participated in an online workshop on 'Strengthening technology application program of KVKs through appropriate technologies' organized by ICAR-ATARI, Bengaluru on 11 February 2026.
- ♦ Zonal Breeders and plant Protection Scientist's Meeting of AICRP on Sugarcane was held on 12th February 2026 at ICAR-Sugarcane Breeding Institute, Coimbatore. All scientists of the Breeding, Entomology and Plant Pathology sections attended the meeting.
- ♦ Dr. T. Rajula Shanthi participated in the 45th Scientific Advisory Committee meeting of Shri Avinashilingam ICAR-KVK, Coimbatore on 18 February 2026.
- ♦ Dr. R. Manimekalai attended NASF 12th Annual Review meeting of the project 'CRISPR Crop Network: Targeted improvement of stress tolerance, nutritional quality and yield of crops by using genome editing' on 24 February 2026.
- ♦ Dr. Vinayaka attended International Conference on 'Deciphering the potential of climate resilient functional crops for sustainable agriculture and agro industries' organized by Chaudhary Charan Singh Haryana Agricultural University, Hisar during 25-27 February 2026.
- ♦ Dr. P. Govindaraj participated as Chief Guest in the inaugural program of the Annual review and action plan meeting for the KVKs in the state of Kerala and Lakshadweep held at Kerala Agricultural University, Trichur on 05 March 2026.

- ♦ Dr. P. Govindaraj presented the Keynote Address on 'Genomic interventions for biotic stress management in sugarcane' during the National Seminar on Climate resilient sugarcane technology organized by cane industry department, Government of Bihar and Dr. Rajendra Prasad Central Agricultural University, Pusa during 9-10 March 2026.
- ♦ Dr. P. Murali attended a seminar on 'Decarbonizing industry through cogeneration and Bio-CBG technologies' organized by SISSTA, Chennai and CAI on 25 March 2026.

Trainings /Workshop attended

- ♦ Drs. M. Alagupalamuthirsolai, S. Anusha: training program on 'Nano-inputs for sustainable agriculture' organized by Centre for Nanotechnology, TNAU and sponsored by ICAR from 28 January 2026 to 06 February 2026.
- ♦ Dr. Shweta Kumari: Winter school on 'Translational genomics for climate resilient cultivar development' organized by ICAR-Indian Institute of Agricultural Biotechnology, Ranchi during 3-23 February 2026.
- ♦ Dr. K. Lakshmi: Brainstorming session for EFC- Agricultural Bioinformatics and computational biology on 06 February 2026.
- ♦ Dr. P.T. Prathima: International training for five months from 18 February 2026 to 18 July 2026 at the University of Queensland, Australia under the project entitled 'Enhancing climate resilience and ensuring food security with genome editing tool as a component' of the sub-scheme Basic and strategic research and education.
- ♦ Dr. V. Kasthuri Thilagam: 21-days winter school on 'Advanced tools and techniques for assessment and management of pollutants in soil-plant-human continuum' organized by ICAR-IARI, New Delhi from 24 February 2026 to 16 March 2026.
- ♦ Dr. A. Jeevalatha: Training program on 'Data visualization using R' organized by ICAR-NAARM, Hyderabad during 9-13 March 2026.
- ♦ Dr. K. Nithya: Training on 'CRISPR Cas mediated genome editing for vaccines and diagnostics' organized by ICAR-CIFE at ICAR-CIFE, Mumbai under the ICAR-CRP project during 9-13 March 2026.

Awards and Recognitions

- ♦ ICAR-SBI Regional Centre, Karnal's exhibition stall bagged the first prize at the 'National Dairy mela and Agri Expo 2026' held at ICAR-NDRI, Karnal during 6-8 March 2026.

- ♦ Dr. D. Puthira Prathap was awarded Fellow of the Indian Society of Extension Education during the National Seminar on 'Digital technologies for sustainable food systems and atmanirbhar bharat' at Goa during 29-31 January 2026.
- ♦ Dr. Shweta Kumari received the best paper award for the paper on 'Computative-genomic and synteny analysis of drought responsive gene in sugarcane and its wild relative *Saccharum spontaneum*' in the International Conference on Sustainable innovations in agriculture, veterinary and allied science (online) at UAS,Raichur, Karnataka during 29-31December 2025.
- ♦ Dr. A. Suganya received distinguished Women Scientist Award from Venus International for lifetime achievement in tissue culture.

Trainings /Workshop / Seminar organized

- ♦ A five-day training program was organized by ICAR-SBIRC, Karnal jointly with Extension Education Institute, Nilokheri (Haryana), Ministry of Agriculture and Farmer's Welfare for the farmers on 'Innovative extension methods for upscaling sugarcane production' during 12-16 January 2026 (Fig. 14).



Fig. 14. Director, ICAR-SBI distributing certificates to the participants

- ♦ A five- day training program was organized to farmers on 'Climate smart sugarcane farming' at ICAR-SBIRC, Karnal during 18-22 January 2026 (Fig. 15).
- ♦ Three days training on 'Sugarcane disease diagnosis and management' was organized for students under SSR activity of the DST-ANRF scheme during 02-04 March 2026.



Fig. 15. Participants of the training on Climate-smart sugarcane farming at ICAR-SBIRC, Karnal

- ♦ A Tribal Training Campaign and launch of the Development Action Plan for Scheduled Tribe Component project in Tirupur district of Tamil Nadu was organised by the Institute in association with Anamalai Tiger Reserve, Tirupur Division, at Chinnar in Tirupur district on 04 March 2026.

Distinguished Visitors

- ♦ Dr. M. L. Jat, Secretary, DARE & Director General, ICAR visited ICAR-Sugarcane Breeding Institute Regional Centre, Karnal on 20 March 2026 (Fig. 16).



Fig. 16. DG, ICAR visits ICAR-SBIRC, Karnal

Promotion

- ♦ Dr. K.T. Ravi Kiran Scientist (Genetics & Plant Breeding) promoted to Senior Scientist in the Research pay Level - 12 w.e.f. 01 January 2025.
- ♦ Smt. P. Bhuvanamuzhudhuraiyal, Private Secretary promoted as Principal Private Secretary w.e.f. 01 July 2025.

Retirement

- ♦ Shri A. Muthusamy, Skilled Support Staff retired on superannuation on 31 March 2026 (AN).

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