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ഒരു കരുണതന്നാസാരധാരകൾ
ചൊരിയുമംബികേ പർജന്യ ദേവതേ
സുരൂചിരോദാരസന്താനശാഖിയാത്

കരികലപ്പകൾ കാളകൾക്കൊപ്പമായ്
വരിവരിച്ചാലുകീറി നീങ്ങീടവേ
ധരണിയുൽഫുല്ലസന്ധ്യഫലാഢ്യയാത്
ഹരിതരോമാഞ്ച കംബളാഭോഗയാത്

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KAU INVOCATION SONG^{*}

Oh! Goddess shower Thy rain of compassion
On this earth parched with scorching summer heat'
When ploughs and oxen move and trench the fields'
When earth enriched by flora is a wonderful blanket of greens
When human knowledge takes unbound strides and leaps'
On the horizon of science' Oh! Goddess of Rain
Like a tree budding forth it's grain'
Magnanimous, selfless' unrestrained'
Sow thy seeds of attainment and gain'
When impregnated by knowledge of various kind
Mother earth gives birth to mankind
The seabeats its drums of waves'
The forest sings songs of Praise'
Benefactress! Love Incarnate!
Like the wish-yielding *Surabhi* of Gods'
How generously you fulfill our desires innate'
Pour, Pour down on this earth
Milk and honey
And shelterus Goddess of Plenty!
Kindle a new lamp'
May its wick with new life throb'
This Temple of Farmers, may You grow
To be the source of Fortune's flow

** An English translation of original Malayalam poem
authored by Late Shri. Chengarappally Narayanan Potti.*



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January 26	Republic Day
March 8	Sivarathri
March 28	Maundy Thursday
March 29	Good Friday
April 10	Id-ul- Fitr (Ramzan)*
May 1	May day
June 17	Id-ul-Ad'ha (Bakrid)*
July 16	Muharram
August 3	Karkkadaka Vaavu
August 15	Independence Day
August 20	Sree Narayana Guru Jayanthi
August 26	Sreekrishna Jayanthi
August 28	Ayyankali Jayanthi
September 16	Third Onam/ Milad-i-Sherif* (Birthday of Prophet Muhammed)
September 17	Fourth Onam
September 21	Sree Narayana Guru Samadhi Day
October 2	Gandhi Jayanthi
October 31	Deepavali
December 25	Christmas

*Subject to change depending on the appearance of the moon.

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KERALA AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY

Kerala Agricultural University, established by KAU Act (Act 1933 of 71) is the premier and principal institution providing human resources, skills and technology for agricultural development of the state. Since becoming functional from 1 February 1972 KAU has been discharging the mandatory functions of initiating, interfacing and integrating Education, Research and Extension activities in agriculture and allied branches of science.

Organisation

The Governor of Kerala heads the University as its Chancellor. The State Minister for Agriculture is the Pro-Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor is the Chief Executive and Academic Officer of the University. Vice-Chancellor is also the Ex-officio chairman of the Executive Committee and Academic Council. He is assisted by salaried officers such as Registrar, Comptroller, Deans of Faculties and Directors of Research, Extension, Students' Welfare & Physical Plant, Director (Academic), Director (Planning) and the University Librarian.

Statutory Bodies

General Council, the supreme body of the University, comprises of elected representatives of all stake holders, members of Legislative Assembly as well as Local Self Government Institutions and scientists. Executive Committee, elected from among the members of General Council is the Executive body.

The Academic Council, the Boards of Studies in three faculties and the four member Finance Committee are the other statutory bodies.

Education

KAU has been providing high quality professional education, which has won national appreciation in the form of ICAR academic excellence award for five consecutive years from 2007. The University has been instrumental in equipping a vast range of internationally known scientists and professionals in Agriculture and associated fields.

Academic body of the University consists of seven constituent Colleges-five in the faculty of Agriculture and one each in the faculty of Agricultural Engineering and faculty of Forestry-offering UG, PG and PhD programmes in relevant disciplines. Other courses include MSc Integrated programmes in Bio-technology and Climate Change Adaptation and PG diploma in Solid Waste Management, B Tech in Food Engineering and Diploma in Agriculture. Several online certificate courses in practical aspects of farming are also in vogue. The bilingual Agri Infotech portal functioning under Centre for e-learning supports the farming community with agricultural advisory cum decision support systems.

Research

KAU is focused on improving the production and productivity of major crops of the state by harnessing the potential of frontier technologies, as well as improving the livelihoods of farmers without compromising on the environmental and economical sustainability of the farming sector. This has yielded many commercially viable technologies that have benefited the farming sector of the state. A farmer-first approach based on the issue of six Agro Ecological Zones has been followed by the University in the prioritization of its research agendas. Accordingly, the programmes are planned and implemented by six Regional Agricultural Research Stations that represent the respective agroecological zones. All these activities are oriented towards optimizing production while conserving

heterogeneous biophysical resources of the state. Research Council and Research Review Committee oversee the conduct of research programmes and provide adequate guidance through the Directorate of Research.

With consistent efforts of eminent scientists from various departments, KAU has been instrumental in the release of 343 varieties of crops along with other innovative technologies for streamlining crop production in the state. The interventions of KAU to the improvement of major crops, especially food crops such as rice and vegetables have contributed significantly to the food and nutritional security of the state.

In realizing the research objectives, the University perpetuates strong partnerships with multiple stakeholders including the Indian Council of Agricultural Research, Development and Commodity Boards and Departments of the State and Central governments. Substantial investments in emerging areas like Biotechnology, Nanotechnology, integrated farming, bioformulations, Intellectual Property Rights, farm mechanization etc. are being envisaged for finding viable solutions to climate change-related issue and promoting sustainable agriculture production in the state.

Extension

Technology Transfer, one of the major mandates of the University, is realized through Directorate of Extension (DoE), which coordinates all extension activities undertaken by various stations of the University. DoE liaise with the state development departments for effective transfer of technology and capacity building of different stakeholders in agriculture and allied sectors.

It also coordinates and oversees activities undertaken by centres exclusively entrusted with extension activities viz. Communication centre, ATIC, Central Training Institute, Public Relations wing, KAU press and seven Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVK) under KAU.

Directorate of Extension is committed to translate the technological advancements achieved by Kerala Agricultural University into persistent development strategies through appropriate programmes for technology transfer and skill development. The University extension wing insistently involve in comprehensive development of Kerala through meaningful technological interventions, effective interfaces with stakeholders and advanced management approach in relentless pursuit of food sovereignty and livelihood security of the state population.

Educational Institutions

College of Agriculture (CoA), Vellayani

Oldest Agricultural College in Kerala (1955), CoA offers UG, PG & PhD courses in the faculty of Agriculture. The Integrated MSc course in Bio-technology and PG Diploma course in Solid Waste Management are also offered from this College.

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College of Agriculture (CoA), Vellanikkara

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College of Forestry (CoF), Vellanikkara

This college, established in 1986 to offer Bsc (Forestry) course has since grown rapidly to become one of the premier institutions in the field of Forestry education in India. It offers UG, PG & PhD programmes in the faculty of forestry.

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College of Co-operation, Banking & Management (CCBM), Vellanikkara

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College of Agriculture (CoA), Ambalavayal

New college established at Ambalavayal, Wayanad district in 2018.

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Kelappaji College of Agricultural Engineering & Technology, (KCAE & T), Tavanur

Erstwhile Rural Institute patronized by Kerala Gandhi Kelappaji was upgraded as KCAE & T in 1975. This college under faculty of Agricultural Engineering offers B Tech, M Tech and PhD courses in Agricultural Engineering and B Tech in Food Engineering.

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College of Climate Change & Environmental Science (CCCES), Vellanikkara

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Institute of Agricultural Technology

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Regional Agricultural Research Station, Vellayani

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Onattukara Regional Agricultural Research Station, Kayamkulam

Agricultural Research Station, Kayamkulam was established under Botany department of Kerala University in 1937 to encourage scientific farming practices of coconut, rice and sesame in the conventional Onattukara tract spread among Alappuzha and Kollam districts. The station, took over by the State Agricultural department in 1957, was attached with KAU in 1972. Realising the critical importance of Onattukara Tract in food grain production, RRS Kayamkulam was upgraded as Onattukara Regional Research Station (ORARS) in 2000. This station has released several varieties of rice, sesame and pulses and developed very important technologies for crop production and protection including comprehensive management of coconut root (Wilt) disease.

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Regional Agricultural Research Station, Kumarakom

The station, originally established in 1947 as per recommendations of Indian Central Coconut Committee (ICCC) to study the coconut cultivation practices in reclaimed lands, was taken over by Government of Kerala in 1957. In 1972 it was transferred to KAU. Research activities of this station centres around crop management and crop protection aspects of coconut and coconut based cropping systems. RARS, Kumarakom has made many a significant contributions in integrate farming systems research involving agricultural crops, fish and livestock. It serves as a nerve centre for redressing location specific research issues in the Special Zone comprising of kari, kayl, karappadam, pokkali and the upper kuttanad areas.

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Regional Agricultural Research Station, Pattambi

One of the premier agricultural research stations in the country, Pattambi was established in 1927 as rice research station for developing rice varieties suitable for northern Kerala tract. Taken over by State Agricultural Department in 1957, it was converted as the main rice research station in the state. Pattambi Research Station was transferred to KAU in 1972 and was upgraded as the premier centre for agricultural research in central Kerala in 1981. Pattambi RARS has done remarkable advancement in rice research and developed many varieties for cultivation in different agro-eco systems. It has the unique distinction of releasing the first ever dwarf high yielding rice variety of the country 'Annapoorna'. Pattambi varieties are widely used in crop improvement programmes at national and international level.

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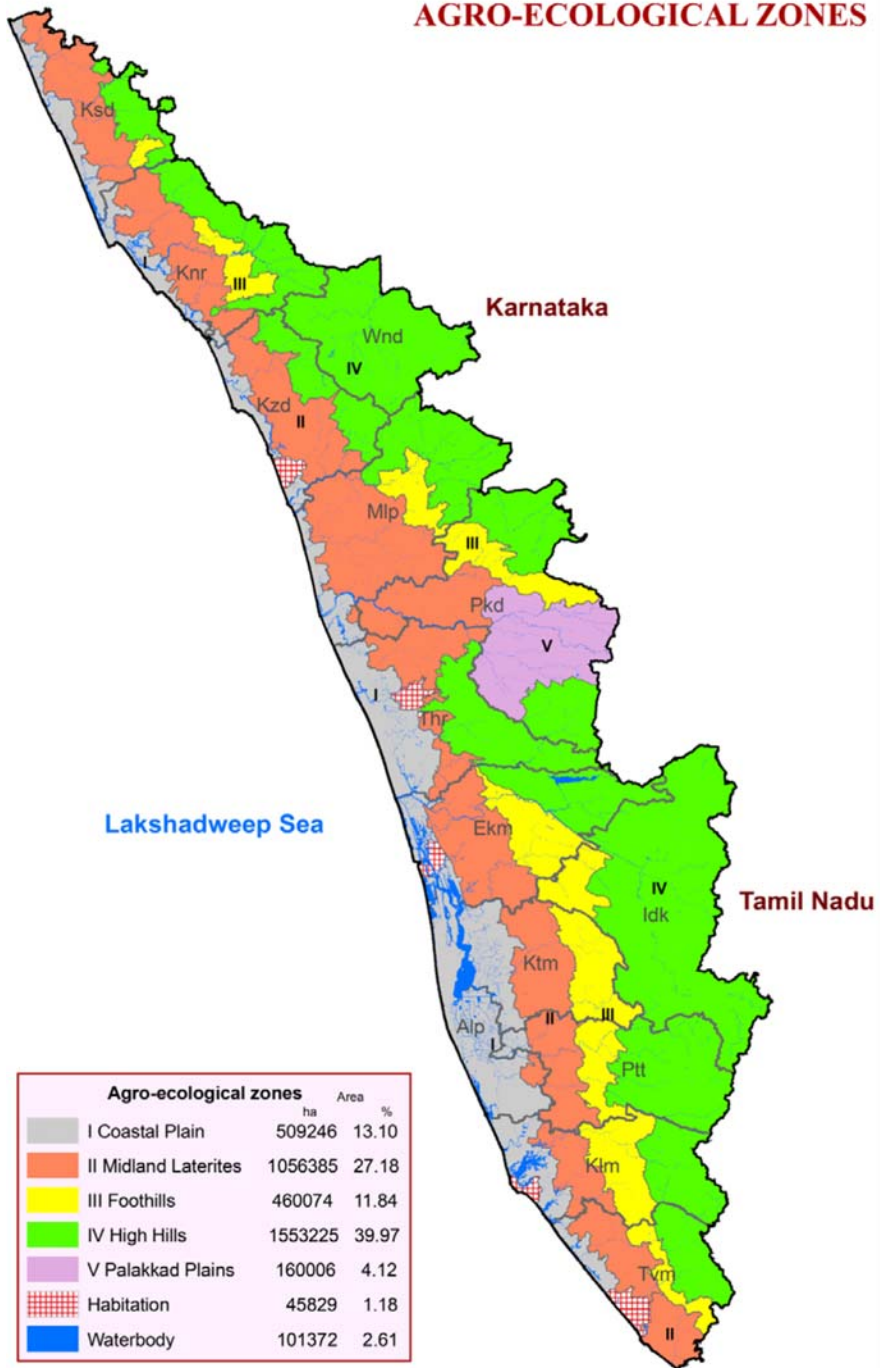
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