



December, 2024



25 programmes during the month

In Campus

15

On-location

05

On-line

05

Key programme themes in December

- International Programme on Project Lending for Agriculture and Allied Sectors
- Springshed Development - Project Strategy and Sustainability
- Watershed Plus approach - Risk Mitigation through Climate Proofing
- Strategies for Prevention and Management of Cyber Threats
- Basics of Social Stock Exchange (SSE)
- Digital Native Banking
- Workshop on 'Role of FinTech and Account Aggregators in Banking'
- Business transformation Strategies for improving financial health of RCBs/ PACS
- Marketing of Products

Workshop for Chairpersons of RRBs in collaboration with TU-CIBIL & Sa-Dhan

•A workshop on 'Business Diversification' and 'Financing of Women Enterprises' for chairpersons of RRBs was held under the chairmanship of by Shri Shaji K.V., Chairman, NABARD at BIRD, Lucknow

•Chairman in his inaugural address emphasized on RRBs being the original Microfinance Institutions in the country and their need to strengthen themselves and diversify their businesses so that they can regain the ground lost to formal & informal financial institutions

•Tu-CIBIL conducted a session on 'Business Diversification' wherein discussions were held on the various facets of customer lifecycle including identifying profitable segments, risk reduction and focus on growth

•The session by Sa-Dhan was focused on understanding the enterprise financing programme of NRLM, its implementation structure, capacity building efforts, loan application process & tools



International Programme on Project lending for Agriculture and Allied

Highlight of the month

- International Programme on “**Project lending for Agriculture and Allied Sector**” under the aegis of Indian Technical and Economic Cooperation Programme (ITEC) was organised by BIRD, Lucknow between 16 – 20 December 2024 . The program was attended by 16 participants from 10 countries viz. Ethiopia, Kenya, Sri Lanka, Mexico, Mauritius, Malawi, South Sudan, Togo, Uzbekistan and Zimbabwe.
- The Programme focussed mainly on the recent development in Indian Agriculture and Banking sector, Credit planning, Project Appraisal Techniques, Agri- Value Chain Financing, Appraisal of Dairy, Poultry, Fishery, Irrigation and Farm mechanisation projects
- Key highlight of the programme was visit of Shri Viraj Singh, IFS, Additional Secretary, MEA, Govt. of India and Shri Arindam Bhattacharya, IFS, Director, MEA, GOI for the valedictory session of the programme
- Shri Viraj Singh, IFS also had detailed interactions with the Faculty Members of BIRD, wherein discussions were held on the possible areas of future collaboration, including organization of on-location ITEC programmes . He also visited the Climate change lab set up at BIRD, Lucknow, wherein deliberations were held on the ways for optimal utilization of the facilities for ITEC programmes



Visit the Climate Change Lab exhibit of BIRD at Grameen Bharat Mahotsav at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi

- Grameen Bharat Mahotsav 2025 is being organized by NABARD and DFS at Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi from January 4 to 9, 2025. The event will bring together government officials, thought leaders, rural entrepreneurs, and stakeholders from various sectors to collaborate on initiatives that foster sustainable rural growth.
- Visit BIRD's Climate Change Lab exhibit at Grameen Bharat Mahotsav and explore innovative solutions for climate resilience and sustainable development. Experience hands-on learning and connect with experts shaping a greener future!
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Terminology demystified

Clean Development Mechanism (CDM)

Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) is a mechanism under the Kyoto Protocol through which developed countries may finance projects on reduction or removal of greenhouse gas emissions in developing countries, and, in return, receive carbon credits for doing so which they may apply to meeting mandatory limits on their own emissions

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