

## Inaugural of 32<sup>nd</sup> Workshop of “AICRP-PHET & Review meeting of CRP on Natural Fibres, Health Foods & Secondary Agriculture”

Inaugural function of 32<sup>nd</sup> Workshop of “AICRP-Post Harvest Engineering & Technology & Review meeting of CRP on Natural Fibres, Health Foods & Secondary Agriculture” was held on March 07, 2017 at ICAR-CIPHET, Ludhiana. During the inaugural session Dr. R.K. Gupta, Director, ICAR-CIPHET Ludhiana and I/c PC(AICRP on PHET) welcomed the Chief Guest, Dr. B.S. Dhillon, V.C. PAU Ludhiana, Dr. K. Alagusundaram, DDG (Engg), Dr. S.N. Jha, ADG(PE), ICAR New Delhi and Experts, Invitees and Delegates from different PHET Centers of India, Dr. R.K. Gupta presented the Project Coordinator’s Report to inform the activities of the scheme during year 2016-17. Dr. S.N. Jha, ADG(PE), ICAR New Delhi congratulated all the centers for their contributions in achieving of AICRP award. He paid focus on the automation of the machinery of pilot plant. Dr. K. Alagusundaram, DDG (Engg) suggested to give imphasis more on value chain project and keep continuing research for its sustainability. Dr. B.S. Dhillon,V.C. PAU Ludhiana advised the scientists to work in collaboration with different disciplines for more meaningful outcomes. He also suggested to work on location specific and cost effective technologies for improving socio-economic status of the farming community. Finally, Dr. Anil Dixit, Pr. Scientist AICRP on PHET, ICAR-CIPHET Ludhiana presented vote of thanks to all the dignitaries and delegates attended the workshop.

