



GOVERNMENT DEGREE COLLEGE FOR WOMEN, PULWAMA

REPORT



DEPARTMENT OF BIORESOURCES & BOTANY, GWC, PULWAMA CELEBRATES



INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF
MILLETS
2023

20TH MAY, 2023

VENUE: CONFERENCE HALL



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Prof. (Dr.) Yasmeen Farooq Khan
Principal
GWC, Pulwama

**RICH IN HERITAGE,
FULL OF POTENTIAL.**

#IYM2023



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INTRODUCTION

The Department of Bioresources & Botany, Government Degree College for Women, Pulwama, Jammu & Kashmir, celebrated the “International Year of Millets 2023” on 20th of May, 2023 with great enthusiasm and fervor. This event aimed to raise awareness about the significance of millets in promoting sustainable agriculture, improving food security, nutritional challenges and addressing climate change, the main objectives of the G20 Summit-2023. The program witnessed the active participation of students, faculty members, and creating a platform for discussions, presentations related to millet cultivation, processing, and utilization, health benefits and how it is going to combat climate change.

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

INAUGURATION AND KEYNOTE ADDRESS

The event commenced with an inaugural ceremony featuring esteemed faculty from the college, and students. The Principal of the college Prof. (Dr.) Yasmeen Farooq Khan delivered the welcome address, emphasizing the importance of millets as superfoods in achieving food security and promoting a healthy diet.

Dr. Tariq Ahmad Dar, Assistant Professor, & Head Department of Botany, GWC, Pulwama addressed a brief aim of the event and introduced the keynote speaker of the event, Dr. Tanveer Bilal Pirzadah, Assistant Professor & Head Department of Bioresources, GWC, Pulwama. Dr. Tanveer Bilal highlighted the importance of millets as climate-resilient and future superfoods.

During the lecture, Dr. Tanveer Bilal delivered enlightening talk and presentations on various aspects of millet production, processing, consumption and success stories of Millet Startups. He also addressed the six reasons to bring millet to the market and how this supercrop alone meets the six goals of the UN-sustainable development Goals (SDG)-2030. Dr. Tanveer also highlighted the seven SUTRAs: Themes Govt. of India launched viz.,

- Enhancement of Production/Productivity
- Nutrition & Health benefits
- Value-addition, processing & recipe Development



- Entrepreneurship/Startup/Collective Development
- Awareness creation-Branding, Labelling and Promotion
- International Outreach
- Policy interventions for mainstreaming

The lecture ended with the vote of thanks presented by Prof. Zahoor Ahmad Thoker, Head, Department of Education, GWC Pulwama.

FILM SCREENING AND DOCUMENTARIES

Engaging and informative films and documentaries about millets and their impact on agriculture, nutrition, and sustainability were screened to educate and inspire the audience. These audio-visual presentations showcased success stories, innovations, and the importance of reviving millet cultivation for a sustainable future. Later, the audience takes a pledge on the link: <https://pledge.mygov.in/millets/> and got the certificate of commitment.

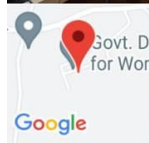
CONCLUSION

The celebration of the “International Year of Millets 2023: at Government Degree College for Women, Pulwama, Jammu & Kashmir, was a resounding success. The event successfully promoted awareness about the significance of millets in agriculture, nutrition, and sustainability. It provided a platform for knowledge sharing, practical training, and interactive discussions, fostering a greater understanding of the role millets can play in addressing food security challenges. The event left a lasting impact on the participants, empowering them to promote millet cultivation and consumption in their communities, thereby contributing to a more sustainable and healthier future.

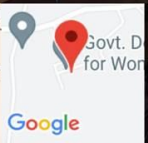
The event was registered and uploaded on the Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO), USA on the Events and Outreach Activities link: <https://www.fao.org/millets-2023/events/en>



Some Glimpses



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Pictorial view of the celebration of “International Year of Millets-2023 (IYoM-2023) at Government Degree College for Women, Pulwama, J&K, India



Dr. Tanveer Bilal Pirzadah, Assistant Professor, Department of Bioresources, presented his authored Book entitled “Buckwheat: Forgotten Crop for the Future” published by Taylor & Francis, UK to the Principal of the college Prof. (Dr.) Yasmeen Farooq Khan

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