

## Bajra Section of CCS Haryana Agricultural University again received the Best Research Center Award

## Why in News?

On July 29, 2023, Haryana's Chaudhary Charan Singh Haryana Agricultural University, (CCHAU) Millet Section of Hisar was awarded the Best Research Center Award for the year 2022-23 at the national level for the second consecutive time for excellent research in millet.

## **Key Points:**

- While giving this information, a spokesman of Chaudhary Charan Singh Agricultural University said that the award was presented by the Council's assistant at the 58th annual group meeting of the All India Coordinated Research Project organized in Hyderabad by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research, New Delhi.
- It is worth mentioning that the department had also received this award in the 57th annual group meeting of the All India Coordinated Research Project held last year.
- Millet Section of Chaudhary Charan Singh Agricultural University has done a lot of commendable
  work in recent years in development of improved varieties of millet, identification of new disease
  agents in millet, hybrid seed production and commercialization of millet.
- Two biofortified millet hybrids with high iron content (both iron content 73, 83 ppm) were recently developed by the department with the development of HHB 299 and HHB 311.
- The plant disease scientist of this department had identified stem rot disease in millet and Klebsiella leaf streak disease in sorghum and their causative bacteria for the first time in the world, which has been recognized at the international level.
- This achievement has also played an important role in the department getting this award. According to him, the work of management of potash and other trace elements under the cultivation of millet has also been appreciated at the national level.

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