Editorial

Nearly four billion people around the world are malnourished, while another 2.5 billion have low-quality diets that cause obesity, diabetes, and heart disease. Sustainable intensification, that is, producing additional nutritious food and halting environmental damage; investing in market infrastructure to move food from where it is produced to where it is consumed; reducing waste and spoilage after harvests; encouraging healthy diets; and supporting people for whom healthy diets would otherwise be out of reach. Governments, private companies, farmers' organizations, nonprofits, and the education sector all have roles in this transformation. Global food interdependence has amplified the risks of food weaponization beyond war's immediate theaters. A predicted 60 percent decline in working hours by 2030 from heat stress would overwhelmingly affect the agricultural sector and threaten global food prices and nutrition security. Understanding the underlying factors contributing to food insecurity and distribution disparities is crucial for designing effective strategies. The new risks create new responsibilities to deal with and the onus comes on agricultural extension and advisory system.

The current issue (October- December, 2024) contains three research tools, five research notes, and ninteen full-length research papers. The *full length papers* focused on; process evaluation through satisfaction indices, diverging views on zero budget natural farming, willingness to pay for climate smart agriculture , varietal replacement rate of groundnut , soil health card , migration behaviour of rural youth , empowerment through self-help groups, attitude towards adoption of sustainable agricultural practices, nutrition sensitive agriculture, critical traits of leaders of farmer producer organizations, training effectiveness , climate change impact and awareness, empowering women agripreneurs, factors influencing consumer choices and organic food production, workplace bullying & production and marketing practice. The *research tool*s to measure correlates of adoption of sustainable domains in on-farm testing interventions, digital divide index for assessing agricultural disparities among farmers and assessing farmers' attitude toward drip irrigation were included., whereas soil health card knowledge perception and adoption, attitude and knowledge of *belahi* cattle rearers, constraints faced by paddy farmers, maladies and remedies for KVK trained paddy growers & economic viability and marketing networks of finger millet made the *'research note'* section. It continues to be indexed in almost all major databases which includes; SCOPUS, CAB International, AGRIS, Index Copernicus International, Plum X, Medley, SCILIT, UGC-CARE List, Crossref, Semantic Scholar, World Cat, EBSCO, etc. The cite score tracker of SCOPUS shows that with steady start of 0.4 (on 05 May, 2024 of 2023) we are at 0.8 on 05 September, 2024. (https://www.scopus.com/sourceid/21100846015)

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