

Editorial

The UN reports that the health and environmental damage caused by food production costs \$10 trillion yearly, equivalent to 10 percent of the worldwide GDP. Poor diets contribute to \$7.3 trillion in costs, leading to conditions like diabetes and heart disease. As countries grow wealthier and processed foods become more prevalent, the FAO anticipates a rise in the financial burden, highlighting the need for nuanced solutions beyond simply increasing food prices. COP28 connects climate-tech ecosystem to drive innovation and inspire climate action at Dubai, 14 December 2023. In the IFPRI book entitled ' *The political economy of food system transformation: Pathways to progress in a polarized world*' the authors draw on diverse methodologies, analyze binding constraints to reform and showcase factors that have led to progressive change in high-, middle-, and low-income countries. The substantive areas of political economy focus include, among others, repurposing agricultural subsidies, reducing red meat and ultra-processed food consumption, increasing uptake of appropriate biotechnologies, adopting sugar-sweetened beverage taxes, implementing the European Union's farm to fork strategy, adapting urban food system councils to the Global South, and tracking accountability for global food system commitments. We the extension professional also need to use robust methodologies to produce generalisations from our studies.

The current issue (January- March, 2024) is a mixture of research tools, research notes, and full-length research papers. Conceptualization, of commodity model village, utilization pattern of ICT, empowerment of ethnic farmwomen, utility analysis of ACABC's training contents, integrating adopter categories into adoption trends, dietary pattern and nutritional status of households consuming small millets, profiling of agri-entrepreneurship promoting institutions, impact of climate change on crop and dairy farming, information sources utilization and adoption behaviour, analysis of *Kisan Call Center* queries, socio-economic insights via canonical correlation analysis , determinants of livelihood diversification, crop residue management initiatives, cotton cultivation practices, e-readiness evaluation and training needs assessment , farmer's awareness regarding climate change and its effect on ground water, ARIMA & ARIMAX analysis on the effect of variability of rainfall, temperature on wheat yield , exploring perceptions and health awareness in fish consumption , and extension model development were the key issues handled. Farmer's focused digital literacy scale, staff attitude towards farmer producers organization and research satisfaction scale were the major tools considered whereas in research note section; economic performance of selected dairy breeds, consumption pattern of ICT in agriculture, and unveiling constraints in banana value chains were covered.

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I on behalf of the editorial board extend my our sincere thanks to all those who directly or indirectly assisted the team since December 15,2020.We could bring out 13 issues of the Indian Journal of Extension Education during the period with never before punctuality. Also the quality of the journal has been improved significantly. The ISEE elections stand announced on 12.12.2023 and the process will be completed by March 2024. By the time new issue will be due, new Editorial Board may be in vogue as such the present one is last issue of the present editorial board. We acknowledge Ms ACS publisher for maintaining timeline. All the expert members of the editorial board, the reviewing contributions, and willful contributors of authors are sincerely acknowledged. The support extended by Executive Council is duly acknowledged. Special thanks are extended to Dr. U.S. Gautam, Dr. Rashmi Singh, Dr. B. K. Singh and Dr. J.S. Malik for their insightful thoughts and guidance. Dr. Bhanu P. Mishra, Vice President (Central Zone) deserves special thanks for making committed efforts at all stages of ISEE matters.

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