

# ICAR-Directorate of Groundnut Research, Junagadh

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## *45<sup>th</sup> Foundation Day Celebration and Kisan Mela Organized at ICAR-DGR, Junagadh*

ICAR-Directorate of Groundnut Research, Junagadh has celebrated its 45<sup>th</sup> Foundation Day on 1 October, 2023. On this occasion Directorate has organised Kisan Mela which was chaired by Dr. V. P. Chovatia, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Junagadh Agricultural University, Junagadh. Sh. Sanjay Koradia, Hon'ble Member, Gujarat Legislative Assembly, Junagadh was the Chief Guest in the Function. Dr. R. B. Madariya, Director of Research, Junagadh Agricultural University, Junagadh, was the special guest. Dr. Ajit Kumar Shasany, Director, CSIR-National Botanical Research Institute, Lucknow, have graced the occasion with their presence on this auspicious day as Guest of Honour. Dr. S. K. Bera, Director, ICAR-Directorate of Groundnut Research, Junagadh, welcomed the delegates & briefed the significant achievements of ICAR-DGR, Junagadh and also felicitated the guests. More than 600 farmers from various districts of Gujarat actively participated in Kisan Mela. About 19 Agri-based companies showcased their products in the Kisan mela and farmers participated in the exhibition. Five progressive farmers were awarded by the Directorate for their significant contribution in groundnut production and for adopting advanced groundnut technologies. Farmers expressed positive response on Directorate's High Oleic Groundnut Varieties, Girnar-4 & Girnar-5, and other technologies. Dr. C. S. Praharaj, Principal Scientist extended the vote of thanks on the occasion.





**Glimpses of the Foundation Day and Kisan Mela**