

**Visit to FCI Godowns & Rice Mill, Hanuman Junction, Krishna (Dt.), A.P. on 18-11-2023**

On 18-11-2023, third-year B.Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture students of Y21 batch from KL College of Agriculture embarked on an educational visit to FCI Godowns and Hanuman Rice Traders located at Hanuman Junction, Krishna (Dt.), A.P. as part of their courses "Pests of Field Crops, Stored Grain and their Management (ENTO 331)" and "Protected Cultivation and Post-Harvest Technology (AENG 351)." The primary focus was to deepen their comprehension of stored grain pests and post-harvest operations. Divided into batches, the 179 students witnessed firsthand the intricacies of sampling, fumigation techniques, and quality control measures at FCI Godowns, guided by Ms. Hema Madhavi and Mr. Syam Prakash. Interactions with experts elucidated strategies for pest control and prolonging the shelf life of stored grains. Transitioning to Hanuman Rice Traders, owned by Mr. Ramu Maruthi, students were exposed to an array of post-harvest processing equipment, including the LSU dryer, shellers, polishers, and sorters. Engaging discussions with Mr. Maruthi offered invaluable insights into the operational intricacies of rice milling. The visit culminated with a vote of thanks, expressing gratitude to all involved parties, including the college's leadership for facilitating the excursion and the KLEF management for their unwavering support. Overall, the visit proved instrumental in augmenting the practical knowledge and understanding of agricultural processes among the students.





