This festivity is here to stay!

The Secretariat of Agriculture has declared July 1st as the National Plant Health

Day



Did you know that plants supply us with 80% of the food we consume and 98% of the oxygen we breath? And that worldwide, 40% of crops are lost to pest and diseases?

Therefore, it is very important to protect the health of the plants cultivated in Mexico and around the world.

This is the reason the Mexican government has decided to mark July 1st as the National Plant Health Day, since the Agricultural Parasitology Commission was established on that same date but in 1900. That Commission was the first agency of the Mexican government tasked with studying and fighting the country's agricultural pests and diseases.

In the context of the festivities of the International Year of Plant Health and the commemoration of the 120 anniversary of the start of phytosanitary activities in Mexico, in 2020, the SENASICA, together with the productive sector and the academy, have implemented an awareness campaign about the importance of the subject for the production of safe, nutritious and high quality food.

This festivity is a recognition for all technicians, scholars, researchers and public servants that work in the phytosanitary sector, since every one of them, from their own stations, collaborates with farmers to make possible for grains, fruits and vegetables to reach our tables full of nutrients and free of pests and diseases.

For more information, please visit: <u>The Mexican government has declared July</u> <u>1st as the National Plant Health Day</u>