



TECHNICAL PROGRAM

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XVII AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE CONGRESS-2025

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PANTNAGAR**



XVII Agricultural Science Congress & ASC Expo

February 20-22, 2025
Pantnagar, Uttarakhand, India



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Tentative Daily Programme Schedule

Day 1 (20/02/2025) (Thursday)	08:00-10:00	10:00-12:00	12:00-12:25	12:30-13:15	13:15-14:15	14:15-15:00	15:00-17:00		17:00-17:25	17:30-18:15	18:15-19:00	19:00-20:00	20:10 onward
	Registrations & Breakfast Main Venue	Inaugural Programme	High Tea Food Court	Presidential Address Main Venue	Lunch Food Court	Dr. Varghese Kurien Memorial Lecture Main Venue (Dr. Meenesh Shah, Chairman, NDOB, Gujarat)	Theme	Venue	High Tea Food Court	Dr. A.B. Joshi Memorial Lecture Main Venue (Dr. P.L. Gautam, Former DDC, ICAR)	Plenary Lecture-1 Main Venue (Dr. Mark Smith, Director General, IWM)	Cultural Program	Dinner Food Court
							Theme-1	CABM MDP Hall					
							Theme 3.1	Ratan Singh Audi					
							Theme 4.1	MS Conf Hall 1					
							Theme 5.1	MS Conf Hall 2					
							Theme 6.1	MS Conf Hall 3					
							Theme 7.1	CABM Shiksha Sadan					
							Symposia 1.1	COA Conf Hall					
							Panel Discussion 4	CABM Basement					

Day 2 (21/02/2025) (Friday)	08:00-09:00	09:00-11:00		11:00-11:30	11:30-13:30		13:30-14:30	14:30-16:30		16:30-17:00	17:00-17:45	17:45-18:30	19:00-20:00	20:00 onward
	Breakfast (Food Court)	Theme	Venue	Tea/Coffee & Exhibition	Theme	Venue	Lunch	Theme	Venue	Tea/ Coffee	Plenary Lecture-2 Main Venue (Dr. T. Mohapatra, Chairperson, PPVFRA)	NAAS-YUVA (Youth United for Visionary Agriculture)	Cultural Program	Dinner
		Theme 2.1	CABM MDP Hall		Theme 2.2	CABM MDP Hall								
		Theme 3.2	Ratan Singh Audi		Symposia 7	Ratan Singh Audi								
		Theme 4.2	MS Conf Hall 1		Theme 9.1	MS Conf Hall 1		Theme 9.2	MS Conf Hall 1					
		Theme 5.2	MS Conf Hall 2					Panel Discussion 2	MS Conf Hall 2					
		Theme 6.2	MS Conf Hall 3		Theme 10	MS Conf Hall 3								
		Theme 7.2	CABM Shiksha Sadan		Workshop 1.1	CABM Shiksha Sadan		Workshop 1.2	CABM Shiksha Sadan					
					Theme 8.1	CABM Basement		Theme 8.2	CABM Basement					
		Symposia 1.2	COA Conf Hall		Symposia 3.1	COA Conf Hall		Symposia 3.2	COA Conf Hall					
		Symposia 5	COCSa Con Hall		Symposia 6.1	COCSa Con Hall		Symposia 6.2	COCSa Con Hall					
		Poster T-1,2,3	Main Venue		Poster T-4,5	Main Venue		Poster T-6,7	Main Venue					
								Job Fair	CABM EDP					
		Start-up Track Conf. Hall Comm Room NCT												
		Inter-University Student Elocution Contest PCPGR												

Day 3 (22/02/2025) (Saturday)	08:00-09:00	09:00-11:00		11:00-11:30	11:30-12:00	12:00-14:00	14:00-15:00	15:00 Onwards
	Breakfast (Food Court)	Theme	Venue	Tea/Coffee & Exhibition	Industry Interaction / Presentation	Valedictory & Award Distribution	Lunch	Exhibition Visit
		Symposia 2	CABM Shiksha Sadan					
		Panel Discussion 1	MS Conf Hall 1					
		Panel Discussion 3	MS Conf Hall 2					
		Panel Discussion 5	MS Conf Hall 3					
		Symposia 4	CABM MDP Hall					
		Industry Academia Interface	MDP Hall					
		Poster T-8, 9, 10	Main Venue					
		Farmer-Scientist Interaction	Ratan Singh Auditorium					

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Tentative Programme

Plenary Lectures

Lecture	Speaker	Chair	Convener	Date, Time & Venue
Presidential Address	Dr. H. Pathak President, NAAS	Prof. R.B. Singh Former President, NAAS	Dr. W.S. Lakra Secretary, NAAS	February 20, 2025 (12:30-13:15) Main Venue
Dr. Varghese Kurian Memorial Lecture	Dr. Meenesh Shah Chairman, National Dairy Development Board, Anand	Dr. R.S. Paroda Chairman, TAAS	Dr. Seema Jaggi ADG (HRD)	February 20, 2025 (14:15-15:00) Main Venue
Dr. A.B. Joshi Memorial Lecture	Dr. P.L. Gautam Former Chairperson, PPV&FRA	Dr. Panjab Singh Former President, NAAS	Dr. Ashok K. Singh Secretary, NAAS	February 20, 2025 (17:30-18:15) Main Venue
Plenary Lectures				
Plenary Lecture-1	Dr. Mark Smith Director General, International Water Management Institute, Colombo	Dr. H. Pathak Director General, ICAR	Dr. D.K. Yadava Deputy Director General (Crops), ICAR	February 20, 2025 (18:15-19:00)
Plenary Lecture-2	Dr. Trilochan Mohapatra Chairperson, PPVFRA	Dr. Mangala Rai Former President, NAAS	Dr. Anjani Kumar NAAS EC-Member	February 21, 2025 (17:00-17:45)



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Themes & Theme Convenors

Theme	Area	Theme Convener	No. of Sessions
Theme 1	Next Frontiers for Climate Change Science	Dr. B. Venkateswarlu Former VC, VNMKV	1
Theme 2	Frontier Innovations & Technologies for Crop Improvement	Dr. D.K. Yadava DDG (Crops), ICAR	2
Theme 3	Livestock Smart Farming	Dr. Abhijit Mitra Animal Husbandry Commissioner	2
Theme 4	Precision Horticulture Farming	Dr. T.K. Behera Director, ICAR-IIHR	2
Theme 5	Blue Revolution: Harnessing Science and Technology	Dr. A. Gopalakrishnan Former Director, ICAR-CMFRI, Kochi	2
Theme 6	Next Generation Management Options for Emerging Pests and Diseases	Dr. P.K. Chakraborty Former Member, ASRB	2
Theme 7	Frontier Sciences and Technologies for Sustainable Soil and Water Management	Dr. Biswapati Mandal Professor, BCKV, Kalyani	2
Theme 8	Digital Agriculture	Dr. Rajender Prasad Director, ICAR-IASRI, New Delhi	2
Theme 9	Advances in Farm Mechanization & Agro-food Processing	Dr. S.N. Jha DDG (Ag Engg), ICAR	2
Theme 10	Innovations in Policies and Institutions	Dr. P.S. Birthal Director, ICAR-NIAP, New Delhi	1



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Detailed Programme

Theme I: Next Frontiers for Climate Change Science

Theme Convener:

Dr. B. Venkateswarlu

Former Vice Chancellor

Vasantrao Naik Marathwada Krishi Vidyapeeth

Parbhani, Maharashtra

Date: February 20, 2025

Time: 15:00-17:00 hrs.

Venue: CABM-MDP Hall

Technical Session: Next Frontiers for Climate Change Science

Co-Chair I: Dr. N.K. Tyagi Former Member, ASRB	Co-Chair II: Dr. V.K. Singh Director, CRIDA, Hyderabad	
Rapporteur I: Dr. S.K. Guru, Professor & Head, Plant Physiology, GBPUAT, Pantnagar	Rapporteur II: Dr. Gurdeep Bains Professor, Plant Physiology, GBPUAT, Pantnagar	
Speaker	Topics	Duration
Dr. Krishna Mirla Achutarao Professor & Head, Centre for Atmospheric Sciences, Indian Institute of Technology, New Delhi	Keynote Lecture: Current Understanding of Climate Change Trends in Indian Subcontinent -A Synthesis of the Model Outputs	20 min
Dr. P.K. Aggarwal Regional Program Director (South Asia), BISA, CYMMIT India office, NASC, New Delhi	Invited Lecture: Climate-Resilient Agriculture in the Global South: Challenges and Opportunities	18 min
Dr. Ch. Srinivasa Rao Director, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi	Invited Lecture: Achieving Net Zero Emission Targets in India: Role of Agriculture and Allied Sectors	18 min
Dr. Vimal Mishra Professor, Climate Change and Water Lab, Indian Institute of Technology, Gandhinagar, Ahmedabad	Invited Lecture: Climate Change and Water Resources in India; Understanding the Impacts and Innovative Coping Solutions	18 min
Oral Presentations		
Dr. SS Rathore, Head, Division of Agronomy, ICAR-IARI New Delhi	Diversified Farming, A Climate Smart Agronomic Intervention to Sustain Agri -Food Systems in India Under Changing Climate Conditions	6 min
Dr. D.K. Singh, G.B. Pant University of Agriculture & Technology Pantnagar (Uttarakhand), India	Sciences of Organic Farming: Boosting Productivity and Climate Resilience	6 min
Dr. Shrilakshmi University of Agricultural Sciences, Dharwad, Karnataka	Do Changing Climate Exacerbates Pink Bollworm Damage in Bt Transgenic Cottons in India?	6 min
Discussion		15 min
Co-chairs Remarks		10 min



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Theme 2: Frontier Innovations & Technologies for Crop Improvement

Theme Convener

Dr. D.K. Yadava

Deputy Director General (Crops)

Indian Council of Agricultural Research

New Delhi

Date: February 21, 2025

Time: 09:00-11:00 hrs.

Venue: CABM-MDP Hall

Technical Session-I: Genetic Enhancement of Crops for Climate Resilience and Nutrition

Session Coordinator: Dr. H.K. Dikshit, Principal Scientist, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi

Co-Chair I:

Dr. Sanjay Kumar

Chairman,

Agricultural Scientists Recruitment Board

Co-Chair II:

Dr. T.R. Sharma

Former Deputy Director General (Crop Science)

Indian Council of Agricultural Research

Rapporteur I:

Dr. Vignesh M.

Senior Scientist, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi

Rapporteur II:

Dr. Prolay Bhowmick

Scientist (Senior Scientist), ICAR-IARI, New Delhi

Speaker

Dr. D.P. Yadav

Director

ICAR-GAZRI, Jodhpur

Topics

Keynote Lecture: Genetic Gains in Food Crops and Future Opportunities

Duration

20 min

Dr. R.M. Sundaram

Director,

ICAR-IIRR, Hyderabad

Invited Lecture: Breeding Climate Smart Rice Varieties: Progress and Prospects

18 min

Dr. Shiv Kumar Agarwal

Head of the Food Legume Research Platform (FLRP) of ICARDA and Regional Coordinator, ICARDA South Asia and China Regional Program

Invited Lecture: Breeding Options for Transforming India as Self-sufficient in Pulse Production

18 min

Dr. Firoz Hossain

Principal Scientist

ICAR-IARI, New Delhi

Invited Lecture: Crop Biofortification: A Potential Tool for Alleviating Malnutrition

18 min

Oral Presentations

Dr. S.K. Luthra, ICAR – Central Potato Research Institute, Regional Station, Modipuram, Meerut.

Potato Breeding for food and Nutritional Security in India

06 min

Anindita Barua, IARI, New Delhi, Pusa Campus

RNA Interference: A Sustainable Frontier for Biotic Stress Resistance in the Era of Crispr

06 min

Dr. Sharat Prabhakaran

Department of Molecular Biology and Genetic Engineering, CBSH, G.B. Pant University of Agriculture and Technology, Pantnagar.

Genome- Wide Association Analysis to Identify Key Candidate Genes Regulating Mineral Content (Iron, Zinc, Calcium and Magnesium) Accumulation in Grain Amaranth (*Amaranthus Hypochondriacus*) Using Genotyping -By - Sequencing

06 min

Discussion

15 min

Co-chairs Remarks

10 min



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Date: February 21, 2025

Time: 11:30-13:30 hrs.

Venue: CABM-MDP Hall

Technical Session-2: Genomics to Enhance Crop Production towards Food Security

Session Coordinator: Dr. S. Gopala Krishnan, Principal Scientist, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi

Co-Chair I: Dr. Jeet Singh Sandhu Former DDG (Crop Science), ICAR	Co-Chair II: Dr. Swapan Kumar Datta Former DDG (Crop Science)	
Rapporteur I: Dr. I.D. Pandey Professor, Genetics and Plant Breeding, GBPUAT, Pantnagar	Rapporteur II: Dr. Ratna Prabha Scientist (S.S), ICAR-IARI, New Delhi	
Speaker	Topics	Duration
Prof. Rajeev K. Varshney International Chair in Agriculture & Food Security, Murdoch University	Keynote Lecture: Genomics and its Relevance to Food Secure Society	20 min
Dr. N.K. Singh National Professor B.P. Pal Chair, NRC on Plant Biotechnology, IARI, New Delhi	Invited Lecture: Landraces and Wild Relatives of Crops: A Reservoir of Useful Genes	18 min
Dr. C. Viswanathan Joint-Director (Research) ICAR-Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi	Invited Lecture: Indian Initiative on Genome Editing in Crops: Status and Prospects	18 min
Dr. Swarup Kumar Parida Staff Scientist IV, National Institute of Plant Genome Research, New Delhi	Invited Lecture: Next-generation Translational Genomics for Developing Climate- and Nutrition-smart Chickpea	18 min
Oral Presentations		
Dr. Usha Pant Dept of Genetics and Plant Breeding GBPUAT, Pantnagar.	Harnessing Interspecific Hybridization in Brassica: Pre - Fertilization Barrier Study in Interspecific Hybrids of Di - and Allopolyploid Brassica Species	6 min
Dr. Kuldeep Chandra Verma Department of Biochemistry, CBSH, GBPUAT, Pantnagar	Advancing Crop Improvement: Application of γ - Radiation's in Buckwheat for Optimizing Phytoconstituents and Reducing Allergens for Safe Consumption	6 min
Dr. Visalakshi Chandra ICAR-Central Tuber Crops Research Institute.	Strategic Genotype Selection in Cassava for Agronomic Traits and Postharvest Physiological Deterioration Tolerance: Harnessing Gyt Biplots for Multi - Trait Optimization over Growing Seasons	6 min
Discussion		15 min
Co-chairs Remarks		10 min



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Theme 3: Livestock Smart Farming

Theme Convener

Dr. Abhijit Mitra

Animal Husbandry Commissioner

DAHD, MoFAHD, New Delhi

Date: February 20, 2025

Time: 15:00-17:00 hrs.

Venue: Ratan Singh Auditorium

Technical Session-I: Precision Livestock Farming

Session Coordinator: Dr. S.P. Kimothi, Member, Agricultural Scientists Recruitment Board, New Delhi

Session Co-coordinator: Dr. A. Sahoo, Director, NIANP, Bengaluru

Co-Chair I: Dr. K.M.L. Bujarbaruah Former DDG (AS) & Former Vice Chancellor, AAU, Khanapra, Assam	Co-Chair II: Dr. Dheer Singh Director, ICAR-NDRI, Karnal	
Rapporteur I: Dr. Manjit Panigrahi Senior Scientist, Animal Genetics, ICAR-IVRI, Izzatnagar	Rapporteur II: Dr. Gopal Gowane Principal Scientist AGB, ICAR-NDRI, Karnal	
Speaker	Topics	Duration
Dr. Raghavendra Bhatta Deputy Director General (Animal Science) Indian Council of Agricultural Research	Keynote Lecture: Harnessing Smart Technologies for Sustainable Growth in the Indian Livestock Sector	20 min
Dr. Ashok Pattanyak Head, Research & Development (Animal Feeds), Godrej Agrovet Limited, Nasik, Maharashtra	Invited Lecture: Achieving Production Sustainability through Precised Feeding and Water Resource Management	15 min
Dr. Raphael Mrode Principal Scientist Quantitative Genetics, ILRI-Nairobi	Invited Lecture: Application of Genomics for Efficient and Sustainable Dairy Productivity in Developing Countries	15 min
Dr. Ashishkumar Khose Associate Director, Technology Solutions, MSD AH (Industry)	Invited Lecture: Leveraging IoT and AI for Data-Driven Decision Making in Livestock Management	15 min
Dr. Vikas Vohra HEAD (AGBB) ICAR-National Dairy Research Institute, Karnal	Invited Lecture: Climate Smart livestock Farming: Enhancing Environmental Control and Harnessing Indigenous Breed Resilience	15 min
Oral Presentations		
Dr. Naresh L. Selokar ICAR-National Dairy Research Institute, Karnal	Buffalo Cloning and Genome Editing: Ways to Improve Production Traits	6 min
Dr. Deeksha Singh Department of Veterinary Medicine, College of Veterinary and Animal Sciences GBPUAT, Pantnagar, U.S. Nagar, Uttarakhand	Prevalence, Risk Factors and Clinical Implications of Ricketts in Dogs: A Comprehensive Study on Nutritional Deficiencies and Skeletal Health	6 min
Dr. Shikhakrati Negi ICAR- Indian Veterinary Research Institute, Izzatnagar, Bareilly, Uttar Pradesh	IVRI Swine SHRIA: An AI-Driven Conversational Chatbot for Scientific Swine Management	6 min
Discussion		10 min
Co-chairs Remarks		10 min



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Theme 3: Livestock Smart Farming

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Animal Husbandry Commissioner

DAHD, MoFAHD, New Delhi

Date: February 21, 2025

Time: 09:00-11:00 hrs.

Venue: Ratan Singh Auditorium

Technical Session-2: Climate-Smart Livestock Farming

Session Coordinator: Dr. Ashok Mohanty, Director, ICAR- Central Institute for Research on Cattle

Co-Chair I:

Prof. A.K. Srivastava

Vice Chancellor, DUVASU, Mathura

Co-Chair II:

Prof. K.M.L. Pathak

Former VC, DUVASU, Mathura

Rapporteur I:

Dr. A.K. Samanta

Head, Animal Nutrition, ICAR-NDRI, Karnal

Rapporteur II:

Dr. Amit Kumar

Pr. Scientist, Animal Genetics, ICAR-IVRI, Izatnagar

Speaker

Topics

Duration

Dr. Ashok Kumar Balhara

Principal Scientist

Stress Physiology & Climatology Lab,

ICAR- Central Institute for Research on Buffaloes, Hisar

Invited Lecture: Climate-Smart Livestock Farming: Enhancing Environmental Control and Harnessing Indigenous Breeds for Resilience

18 min

Dr. B.M. Naveena

Principal Scientist, ICAR-NMRI, Hyderabad

Invited Lecture: Post Production Revolution in Livestock: Leveraging Smart Farming Technologies

18 min

Oral Presentations

Dr. Sonhanvir

NDRI Karnal

Infra-red Thermography: Potential Non-Invasive Tool to Assess the Semen Quality of Bovines under Changing Climate

6 min

Dr. Indu Devi

Baif Development Research Foundation

Development Of Deep Learning Based Computer Vision Based System for Automated Appraisal of Phenotypic and Conformation Traits in Cattle

6 min

Dr. Suresh Kumar

ICAR - Central Institute for Research on Cattle,

Grass Farm Road, Meerut

Optimization of Insemination Strategies for Use of Sex Sorted Semen in Indian Field Conditions

6 min

Discussion

15 min

Co-chairs Remarks

10 min



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Theme 4: Precision Horticulture Farming

Theme Convener

Dr. T.K. Behera

Director

ICAR-Indian Institute of Horticultural Research

Bengaluru

Date: February 20, 2025

Time: 15:00-17:00 hrs.

Venue: MS-Conf. Hall-2

Technical Session-I: Precision Management of Horticultural Crops

Session Coordinator: Dr. T.K. Behera, Director, ICAR-IIHR, Bengaluru

Co-Chair I: Dr. Bijendra Singh Vice Chancellor, ANDUAST, Ayodhya	Co-Chair II: Dr. V.B. Patel ADG Horticulture, ICAR	
Rapporteur I: Dr. S.S. Dey Principal Scientist, Vegetable Science, IARI, New Delhi	Rapporteur II: Dr. Sridhar Gutam ICAR-IIHR, Bengaluru	
Speaker	Topics	Duration
Dr. S.D. Gorantiwar Former Director Research, MPKV, Rahuri	Keynote Lecture: Precision Management of Horticultural Crops	20 min
Dr. Jagdish Rane Director, ICAR-Central Institute for Arid Horticulture, Bikaner	Invited Lecture: Phenomics in Horticulture	18 min
Dr. G. Syamasundar Reddy Chief Executive Officer, Samhitha Crop Care Clinics, Hyderabad	Invited Lecture: Orchard Health Monitoring with Help of UAVs: A CASE Study of Fruit Crops	18 min
Mr. Krishna Kumar Founder & CEO at Cropin, Bengaluru, Karnataka	Invited Lecture: Digitalizing Farms for the Future: Enhancing Resilience in a Climate-Impacted World	18 min
Oral Presentations		
Dr. Rajesh Kumar Singh ICAR-CPRI RS, Modipuram, Meerut - 250 110 (UP)	High-Tech Seed Production Tools and Technique: Revolutionizing in Seed Potato Industry in India	6 min
Dr. Selvakumar R Centre for Protected Cultivation Technology, ICAR-Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi	Phenotypic and Genotypic Screening of Tomato Genotypes for Root-Knot Nematode Resistance under Greenhouse Conditions for Grafting Programmes	6 min
Dr. Ashok Kumar Singh Dept of Horticulture, GBPUAT, Pantnagar	Novel Mango Hybrids for Commercial Cultivation under Northern Region	6 min
Discussion		15 min
Co-chairs Remarks		10 min



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Theme Convener

Dr. T.K. Behera

Director

ICAR-Indian Institute of Horticultural Research

Bengaluru

Date: February 21, 2025

Time: 09:00-11:00hrs.

Venue: MS-Conf. Hall-I

Technical Session-2: Management of Horticultural Crops under Changing Climate

Session Coordinator: Dr. Sudhakar Pandey, ADG, ICAR, New Delhi

Co-Chair I:

Dr. H.P. Singh

Former DDG (Hort. Sci.), ICAR

Co-Chair II:

Dr. Balraj Singh,

Vice Chancellor, SKN Agriculture University, Jobner

Rapporteur I:

Dr. Sudhir Kumar

ICAR-IARI, New Delhi

Rapporteur II:

Dr. D.C. Dimri

Professor & Head, Horticulture, GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Speaker

Topics

Duration

Dr. Senthil Kumar Muthappa

Scientist V,

National Institute for PGR, New Delhi

Keynote Lecture: Designing of Climate Smart Crops for Precision Horticulture

20 min

Dr. Balraj Singh,

Vice Chancellor,

SKN Agriculture University, Jobner

Invited Lecture: Protected Cultivation in India: Present Status, Potential of Expansion, Challenges and Solutions

15 min

Shri D. Bala Shiva Prasath

Hosur, Tamil Nadu

Invited Lecture: Precision Farming in Floriculture

15 min

Dr. V. Eyarkai Nambi

Head, Controller of Examination,

NIFTEM, Thanjavur

Invited Lecture: Application of AI & Blockchain Technology in Post Harvest Management of Horticultural Crops

15 min

Dr. G. Senthil Kumaran

Principal Scientist,

ICAR-Indian Institute of Horticultural Research, Bengaluru

Invited Lecture: Precision Mechanics for Horticulture Crop Production

15 min

Oral Presentations

Dr. Shweta Uniyal

Department of Horticulture

GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Effect of Chitosan and Alginate Coatings Enriched with Ascorbic Acid on Postharvest Quality of Plums during Low Temperature Storage

5 min

Dr. Pooja

International Potato Center, NASC Complex, IARI Campus,

New Delhi 110012, India

Standardization of Geometry for Potato Apical Rooted Cuttings (ARC) in Haryana

5 min

Ms Priti Smita Nayak

Department of Horticulture, M S Swaminathan School of

Agriculture, Centurion University of Technology and

Management, Odisha-761211, India.

Phenotypic Variability among Vegetable Cluster bean Genotypes Using Shannon-Weiner Diversity Index (H')

5 min

Discussion

15 min

Co-chairs Remarks

10 min



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Theme 5: Blue Revolution: Harnessing Science and Technology

Theme Convener

Dr. A. Gopalakrishnan

Former Director

ICAR-Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute

Kochi, Kerala

Date: February 20, 2025

Time: 15:00-17:00 hrs.

Venue: MS-Conf. Hall-2

Technical Session-I: Future-Ready Fisheries and Aquaculture: Bridging Science and Development in India

Session Coordinator: Dr. J.P. Bhatt, Former HoD, Zoology, HNB Garhwal, University

Co-Chair I:

Dr. W.S. Lakra

Secretary, NAAS & Ex-VC, ICAR-CIFE

Co-Chair II:

Dr. A.G. Ponniah

Former Director, CIBA, Chennai

Rapporteur I:

Dr. Madhuri Pathak

Scientist, ICAR-CIFE, Mumbai

Rapporteur II:

Dr. Nityanand Pandey

Dean, College of Fisheries, DUVASU, Mathura

Speaker

Topics

Duration

Dr. J.K. Jena

Deputy Director General
(Fisheries Science), ICAR

Keynote Lecture-1: Sustainable Aquaculture & Fishing Practices: A Key Driver of Food Security in the 21st Century

15 min

Dr. A. Gopalakrishnan

Former Director,
ICAR-CMFRI, Kochi

Keynote Lecture-2:

15 min

Dr. Krishna R. Salin

Associate Professor and Program Chair,
Aquaculture and Aquatic Resources Management, Asian
Institute of Technology, Thailand

Invited Lecture: Aquaculture and Fisheries:
Scientific Innovations for India's Future

10 min

Dr. Grinson George

Director,
ICAR-Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute, Kochi

Invited Lecture: Opportunities for Sustainable
Fisheries & Aquaculture in a Warming World

10 min

Dr. Pramod Kumar Pandey

Director,
ICAR-Directorate of Coldwater Fisheries Research, Bhimtal

Invited Lecture: Innovative Strategies in
Coldwater Aquaculture: A Vision for India's Future

10 min

Dr. N.K. Agarwal

Head of Division, Zoology and Dean Science Faculty
HNB Garhwal University, Garhwal

Invited Lecture: Fish Diversity of Upper Ganga
River System: Conservation and Sustainable
Development

10 min

Prof. Prakash Nautiyal

Professor, HNB Garhwal University

Invited Lecture: Managing Mahseer Resources
and Fisheries: A Global Perspective

10 min

Oral Presentations

Dr. Sonmoina Bhuyan

KVK Lakhimpur, Assam Agricultural University, Garumuria,
Lakhimpur, Assam

Study on Compatibility of Red Bellied Pacu in A
Carp Based Polyculture System and its Economic
Impact in Pond Aquaculture in Assam, India

4 min

Dr. Madhuri Pathak

Scientist, ICAR-CIFE, Mumbai

In-situ Bioremediation and Enhancement of Shrimp
Production through Co-Culture of *Gracilaria
foliifera* (Forsskal) Borgeson, 1932 and *Penaeus
vannamei* (Boone, 1931)

4 min

Dr. Atul Anand

Graphic Era Hill University, Dehradun

Significance of Conservation of Golden Mahseer in
Blue Revolution of Uttarakhand

4 min



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Dr. Ciji Alexander ICAR-Directorate of Coldwater Fisheries Research, Bhimtal, Nainital	A Cocktail of Micronutrients and Additives Influence Sperm Quality Traits in Chocolate Mahseer, <i>Neolissochilus Hexagonolepis</i>	4 min
Discussion		15 min
Co-chairs Remarks		10 min

Theme 5: Blue Revolution: Harnessing Science and Technology

Theme Convener

Dr. A. Gopalakrishnan

Former Director

ICAR-Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute

Kochi, Kerala

Date: February 21, 2025

Time: 09:00-11:00 hrs.

Venue: MS-Conf. Hall-2

Technical Session-2: Emerging Challenges in Fish Genetics, Health & Nutrition

Session Coordinator:		
Co-Chair I: Dr. K.K. Vass Ex-Director, CIFRI and DCFR	Co-Chair II: Dr. B.K. Das Director, ICAR-CIFRI, Kolkata	
Rapporteur I: Dr. Pravata K. Pradhan Principal Scientist & HoD (EGAAH Division) ICAR-NBFGR, Lucknow	Rapporteur II: Prof. (Dr) Rachna Nautiyal Principal, Shaheed Jagdish Prasad Purohit Government Degree College, Uttarakhand	
Speaker	Topics	Duration
Dr. Bijay Kumar Behera Chief Executive NFDB, Department of Fisheries, MoFAH&D, GOI, Hyderabad	Keynote Lecture: Recent development in Fish Genetics and Biotechnology	20 min
Prof. Arun K. Dhar Professor and Director of Aquaculture Pathology Laboratory, The University of Arizona	Invited Lecture: Leveraging Technology for Genetic Improvement in Aquaculture Production	15 min
Dr. Mukunda Goswami Head of Division, Genetic and Biotechnology CAR - Central Institute of Fisheries Education, Mumbai	Invited Lecture: Cultivated Sea Food: Potential and Challenges	
Dr. Ravinder Kumar Principal Scientist, NBFGR, Karnal	Invited Lecture: Fish Genomics in India: Status and Prospects	
Dr. P.K. Sahoo Director, ICAR-CIFA, Bhubaneswar	Invited Lecture: Integrative Approaches to Fish Health: Embracing the One Health Paradigm	15 min
Dr. K.K. Krishnani Joint Director (Academic) ICAR-Indian Inst. of Agricultural Biotechnology, Ranchi	Invited Lecture: Contaminants of Emerging Concern: Unseen Health Hazards to Crops, Livestock, Fish and Human	15 min
Dr. J. Biju Sam Kamalam Sr. Scientist ICAR- Directorate of Coldwater Fisheries Research Bhimtal, Uttarakhand	Invited Lecture:	15 min
Oral Presentations		
Dr. Pabitra Kumar Saharia College of Fisheries, AAU, Raha, Nagaon	Effect of Stocking Densities on Growth Performance on Indian Major Carps (IMC) in Short Duration Fish Culture Technology	05 min



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Ms Priyanka Rani College of Fisheries GBPUAT, Pantnagar	Evaluation of Sesame Oil Cake based Diet on Growth Performance, Carcass Quality and Blood Biochemical Parameters of Grass Carp	05 min
Ms. Ananya Khatei ICAR-DCFR, Bhimtal, Uttarakhand -263136, India	Genomic Study Provides First Evidence of DNA Methylation Patterns in Phaeophyceae	05 min
Discussion		15 min
Co-chairs Remarks		10 min

Theme 6: Next Generation Management Options for Emerging Pests and Diseases

Theme Convener

Dr. P.K. Chakrabarty

Former Member

Agricultural Scientists Recruitment Board

New Delhi

Date: February 20, 2025

Time: 15:00-17:00 hrs.

Venue: MS-Conf. Hall-3

Technical Session-I: Next Generation Management Options for Emerging Pests and Diseases

Session Coordinator:		
Co-Chair I: Dr. A.N. Mukhopadhyay Former VC, AAU	Co-Chair II: Dr. Bushan L. Jalali Ex Director of Research, HAU	
Rapporteur I: Dr. Celia Chalam Head, ICAAR-NBPGR, New Delhi	Rapporteur II: Dr. Sujoy Saha Pr. Scientist, ICAR-NRC-Grapes, Pune	
Speaker	Topics	Duration
Dr. C.D. Mayee Former Chairman, ASRB	Keynote Lecture: Challenges and New Opportunities in Crop Protection in India	20 min
Dr. P.K. Chakrabarty Former Member, ASRB	Invited Lecture: Off-label Use of Pesticides- Harmonization of the MRLs	15 min
Dr. S. Nakkeeran Dean AC&RI, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University	Invited Lecture: Invasive Species Impact in Agriculture: Striking a Balance Between Productivity, Biodiversity, and Ecosystem Health	15 min
Dr. A.N. Mukhopadhyay Former VC, AAU	Invited Lecture: Trichoderma for Plant Disease Management-A Gift of God for the Mankind	15 min
Dr. M.K. Naik Former Vice Chancellor, KSNUAHS	Invited Lecture: One Health Approach to Address Global Mycotoxin Risks for Food and Nutritional Security	15 min
Oral Presentations		
Dr. Jonnada Likhita Rani Lakshmi Bai Central Agricultural University, Jhansi, Uttar Pradesh. 284003	Biochemical Characterization of Endophytic Bacteria Effective Against Soil Borne Diseases of Chickpea	5 min
Dr. Priya Garkoti G. B. Pant University of Agriculture & Technology, Pantnagar, U.S. Nagar, Uttarakhand 263145	Leveraging the Potential of Zeanicaraguensis for Stable Banded Leaf Sheath Blight Resistance in Maize	5 min
Dr. Ruchi Tripathi Department of Plant Pathology, College of Agriculture, G B Pant University of Agriculture and Technology, Pantnagar, U.S. Nagar	Exploring the Silique to Seed Transmission, Implication of Temperature Regimes on Survival in Seed and PCR based Detection Threshold	5 min



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	Establishment of <i>Alternaria Brassicae</i> in <i>B. Juncea</i> Seed	
Discussion		15 min
Co-chairs Remarks		10 min



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Date: February 21, 2025

Time: 09:00-11:00 hrs.

Venue: MS-Conf. Hall-3

Technical Session 2: Pests and Diseases Management under Changing Environmental Conditions

Session Coordinator:

Co-Chair I:

Dr. Serge Savary

Honorary Professor

GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Co-Chair II:

Prof. Neena Mitter

Deputy Vice Chancellor Research and Vice President (Ag)

Charles Sturt University, NSW, Australia

Rapporteur I:

Dr. Shailaba,

Professor, Plant Pathology, GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Rapporteur II:

Dr. Rashmi Tiwari

Assistant Professor, GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Speaker

Topics

Duration

Dr. Mahavir Singh

Department of Physiology,

School of Medicine, USA

Keynote Lecture: Addressing the Silent Threat of Fungal Infections

20 min

Prof. Neena Mitter

Deputy Vice Chancellor Research and Vice President (Ag)

Charles Sturt University, NSW, Australia

Invited Lecture: Innovation in Managing Pests and Diseases of Crops – The RNA Story

18 min

Dr. Narinder Kumar Arora

General Secretary, Governing Council

KAKV Foundation, New Delhi

Invited Lecture: Promotion of Natural Farming and its Negative Implications on Food and Feed Security of India

18 min

Dr. Laetitia Willocquet

Sr Scientist, INRAE-France

& Honorary Professor, GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Invited Lecture: Emerging Plant Disease: Risk Factors and Risk Avoidance

18 min

Dr. Alak K. Srivastava

Director, ICAR-National Bureau of Agriculturally Important

Microorganisms, Kushmaur

Invited Lecture: Microbiome Research a Powerhouse to Usher in a New Era of Vibrant Agriculture

18 min

Oral Presentations

Ms Riya Kundu

Division of Agricultural Chemicals, ICAR-Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi, India

Synthesis and Bioactivity Assessment of Novel Indazolylchromones with Computational and Toxicity Insights.

6 min

Mr Amit Bijlwan,

Department of Agrometeorology

GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Deep Learning-Based Identification and Classification of Rice Diseases and Insect Pests

6 min

Dr. A. K. Tewari

Department of Plant Pathology

GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Forecasting of Sclerotinia Stem Rot of Rapeseed-Mustard Utilizing Petal Infestation and Predictive Models

6 min

Discussion

15 min

Co-chairs Remarks

10 min



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Theme 7: Frontier Sciences and Technologies for Sustainable Soil and Water Management

Theme Convener

Dr. Biswapati Mandal

Professor,

Bidhan Chandra Krishi Viswavidyalaya

Mohanpur, Nadia

Date: February 20, 2025

Time: 15:00-17:00 hrs.

Venue: CABM-Shiksha Sadan

Technical Session-I: Advances in Soil and Water Management for Conserving Natural Resources

Session Coordinator:

Co-Chair I:

Dr. Arvind Kumar

Former VC, RLBCAU, Jhansi

Co-Chair II:

Dr. Anil K. Singh

Former VC, RVSKVV, Gwalior

Rapporteur I:

Dr. Krishna Saharan

Assistant Professor, Agricultural University, Jodhpur

Rapporteur II:

Dr. Pradeep Singh Kahshyap

Associate Professor

Soil and Water Conservation Engineering, GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Speaker

Dr. S.K. Chaudhari

Director General,

The Fertiliser Association of India, New Delhi

Topics

Keynote Lecture: India's Way Forward to Sustainable Soil and Water Management

Duration

20 min

Dr. D.K. Benbi

Former ICAR-National Professor, PAU

Invited Lecture: Advances in Soil Management for Posterity

15 min

Dr. Ramesh Singh

Cluster Leader, ICRISAT

Invited Lecture: Managing Land and Water Resources for Sustainable Agricultural Intensification and Diversification

15 min

Dr. R.N. Sahoo

Principal Scientist, Agril Physics,

ICAR-Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi

Invited Lecture: Embracing Sensing and AI in Soil and Water Management for Next-generation Agriculture

15 min

Dr. Sunita Varjani

Sr. Associate Professor,

School of Engineering Jointly with School of Health Science and Technology, UPES, Dehradun

Invited Lecture: From Contamination to Cultivation: Bioremediation Approaches for Petroleum Sludge in Agriculture

15 min

Oral Presentations

Dr. Roshani Basera,

Govind Ballabh Pant University of Agriculture and Technology, Pantnagar, Udham Singh Nagar Uttarakhand

Assessment of Water Quality through Bio-Indicator of Baldi River, Sahasradhara, Dehradun, Uttarakhand

05 min

Dr. B.B. Vashisht

Department of Soil Science, Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana, Punjab

Simulation of Yield and Water Productivity of Direct Seeded Rice Under Medium to Heavy Soil Texture of Indian Punjab

05 min

Dr. Ashwani Kumar

ICAR - Central Soil Salinity Research Institute, Karnal

Temporal Changes in Morpho-Physiology of Sandalwood and Gene Expression Analysis Under Water Deficit and Salinity Stress

05 min

Discussion

15 min

Co-chairs Remarks

10 min



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Mohanpur, Nadia

Date: February 21, 2025

Time: 09:00-11:00 hrs.

Venue: CABM-Shiksha Sadan

Technical Session 2: Frontier Sciences and Technologies for Sustainable Soil and Water Management

Session Coordinator:

Co-Chair I:

Dr. M. Madhu

Director, ICAR-IISWC, Dehradun, Uttarakhand

Co-Chair II:

Dr. N.S. Rathore

Campus Director, Geetanjali Institute of Technical Studies, Udaipur

Rapporteur I:

Dr. Ajaya Srivastava

Professor & Head

Soil Science, GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Rapporteur II:

Dr. S.P. Pachauri

Professor, Soil Science

GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Speaker

Topics

Duration

Dr. Alok K. Sikka

Country Representative (India & Bangladesh), International Water Management Institute (IWMI), New Delhi

Keynote Lecture: Managing Soil and Water Resources for Building Climate Resilient and Transforming India

20 min

Dr. Suresh Kumar

Scientist G & Head, Soil Agriculture Division IIRS, ISRO, Dehradun

Invited Lecture: Application of Geospatial Technology for Soil and Water Conservation

15 min

Dr. Adrien Fauvernier

Project Manager, Agri-campus GG Théza, France

Invited Lecture: Agroforestry an Ideal Option for Sustaining Natural Resources and Enhancing the Farmers Income

15 min

Dr. Javed Akhtar

University Lecturer, University of Technology and Applied Sciences, Muscat, Oman

Invited Lecture: Sustainable Water Resources Management in AL Batinah Aquifer Oman using Groundwater Modelling

15 min

Dr. Gopal Kumar

Deputy Country Representative, International Water Management Institute, New Delhi.

Invited Lecture: Watershed Management as a Framework for Climate Change Adoption

15 min

Oral Presentations

Ms Shruti Pathak,

GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Kinetic and Mechanistic Modelling of Kresoxim Methyl Adsorption onto Diverse Indian Soils

05 min

Dr. Aamir Ahmad Bhat,

LPM, Faculty of Veterinary Sciences and Animal Husbandry SKUAST-K Shuhama Srinagar, India

Microbial Cocktail From "Waste to Wealth"

05 min

Dr. Debasis Das

Tripura University

Rubber Wood Biochar: A Sustainable Approach to Enhance The Water Holding Capacity Of Soil

05 min

Discussion

15 min

Co-chairs Remarks

10 min



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Theme 8: Digital Agriculture

Theme Convener:

Dr. Rajender Parsad

Director

ICAR-Indian Agricultural Statistics Research Institute

New Delhi

Date: February 21, 2025

Time: 11:30-13:30 hrs.

Venue: CABM-Basement

Technical Session-I: Advances in Digital Agriculture

Session Coordinator:

Co-Chair I:

Dr. R.C. Agrawal

DDG (Agril. Education), ICAR, New Delhi

Co-Chair II:

Dr. Ashok. K. Singh

Secretary, NAAS & Former Director, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi

Rapporteur I:

Dr. Sweta Chaudhary

Assistant Professor, GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Rapporteur II:

Dr. Rajeev Ranjan

Assistant Professor, GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Speaker

Dr. Pushpendra P. Singh

Associate Professor
Indian Institute of Technology
Ropar

Topics

Keynote Lecture: From GPS to AI for the Farms of
Future

Duration

20 min

Dr. E.V.S. Prakasa Rao

Former Advisor, CSIR-Fourth Paradigm Institute, Bengaluru

Invited Lecture: Research Priorities in the Use of
Digital Technologies in Agriculture in India

13 min

Dr. S.D. Samantaray

Professor & Head
Govind Ballabh Pant University of Agriculture and
Technology, Pantnagar

Invited Lecture: Disruptive Technologies, Data
Driven Digital Agriculture and Innovation

13 min

Sh. Vineet Singh

Chief Technology Officer
Digital Green, Bengaluru

Invited Lecture: Farmer Chat: Scaling AI-Powered
Agricultural Services for Smallholder Farmers
Globally

13 min

Dr. Anjum Javed

Wadhvani AI Institute

Invited Lecture: Smart Farming with AI:
Revolutionizing Pest and Disease Control to
Minimize Crop Losses

13 min

Dr. Alokesh Ghosh

Associate Director
Centre for Development of Advanced Computing, Kolkata

Invited Lecture:

13 min

Oral Presentation

Dr. Amit Srivastava

ZALF, Germany

Resilient Farming System: AI Remote Sensing and
Crop Models in Harmony

10 min

Discussion

15 min

Co-chairs Remarks

10 min



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Theme Convener:

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Director

ICAR-Indian Agricultural Statistics Research Institute

New Delhi

Date: February 21, 2025

Time: 14:30-16:30 hrs.

Venue: CABM-Basement

Technical Session-2: Digital Agriculture for Informed Farm Decisions

Session Coordinator:

Co-Chair I:

Dr. U.S. Gautam

Deputy Director General (Ag. Extn.), ICAR

Co-Chair II:

Dr. Durgesh Pant

Director General, UCOST, Dehradun

Rapporteur I:

Dr. V.P. Dhyan

Professor, Agronomy, GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Rapporteur II:

Dr. Sumit Chaturvedi

Professor, Agronomy, GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Speaker

Dr. Anil Rai

Assistant Director General (ICT), ICAR
New Delhi

Topics

Keynote Lecture: Digital Agriculture: Prospects and Challenges

Duration

25 min

Dr. J. Jayasankar

Principal Scientist & Head, FRAEED,
ICAR-Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute, Kochi

Invited Lecture: Prediction - Precision - Precaution- Digital Strategies for Managing Self-replenishing Natural Resources

15 min

Dr. Anil Kumar

Professor
Department of Computer Science and Engineering, DIT
University, Dehradun

Invited Lecture: Hybrid Deep Learning with Improved Salp Swarm Optimization based Multi-class Grape Disease Classification Model

15 min

Dr. R.N. Sahoo

Principal Scientist, Agricultural Physics,
ICAR-Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi

Invited Lecture: Cultivating Digital Farm for Precision Agriculture

15 min

Dr. Durga Toshniwal

Professor,
Department of Computer Science and Engineering, Indian
Institute of Technology, Roorkee

Invited Lecture:

15 min

Dr. Subir Kumar Chakraborty

ICAR-Central Institute of Agricultural Engineering, Bhopal

Oral Presentation: Drivers and Barriers to Pre and Postharvest Mechanization in Digital Agriculture Environs

10 min

Discussion

15 min

Co-chairs Remarks

10 min



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Theme 9: Advances in Farm Mechanization & Agro-food Processing

Theme Convener:

Dr. S.N. Jha

Deputy Director General,

Agril Engineering

Indian Council of Agricultural Research

New Delhi

Date: February 21, 2025

Time: 11:30-13:30 hrs.

Venue: MS-Conf. Hall-1

Technical Session-I: Advances in Farm Mechanization

Session Coordinator: Dr. Rasappa Viswanathan, Director, ICAR-Indian Institute of Sugarcane Research, Lucknow

Co-Chair I: Dr. Pitam Chandra Professor, School of Engineering & Technology, Sharda University	Co-Chair II: Dr. K.K. Singh Vice Chancellor, SVBPUAT, Meerut	
Rapporteur I: Dr. Arun Kumar Professor, Farm Machinery and Power Engineering GBPUAT, Pantnagar	Rapporteur II: Dr. R.P. Singh, Professor, Farm Machinery and Power Engineering GBPUAT, Pantnagar	
Speaker	Topics	Duration
Mr. T.R. Kesavan Director, TAFE Motors & Tractors Limited	Keynote Lecture: Advances in Indian Farm Mechanization & Processing vis a vis those in the Developed Countries	20 min
Dr. C.R. Mehta Director, ICAR-Central Institute of Agricultural Engineering, Bhopal	Invited Lecture: Advances in Farm Automation and AI in Production Agriculture	15 min
Dr. K. Narsaiah Assistant Director General (PE) ICAR, New Delhi	Invited Lecture: Advances in Agro-processing through Biotic Root and their Prospects in New Foods Development	15 min
Dr. T.B.S. Rajput, Adjunct Professor (Ag. Engg.), ICAR-Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi	Invited Lecture: Advances in Farm Structures and Automation in On-farm Irrigation & Drainage System	15 min
Dr. Alaknanda Ashok Dean, College of Agriculture GBPUAT, Pantnagar	Invited Lecture: Innovative Farm Mechanization for Small Farm Holders	15 min
Oral Presentation		
Dr. Sandip Mandal, Central Institute of Agriculture Engineering, Berasia Road, Bhopal M.P.	Bio-Hydrogen Generation from Biogas Through Catalytic Methane Reforming.	06 min
Dr. Raj N Pateriya College of Technology, G B Pant University of Agriculture & Technology, Pantnagar, Uttarakhand	Study on Energy Requirement in Paddy Crop Production System in Tarai region of Uttarakhand	06 min
Ms Anupama Sharma Anand Agricultural University, Anand	Performance Optimization of a Mechanised Potato Planter Varying Soil Moisture Contents.	06 min
Discussion		15 min
Co-chairs Remarks		10 min



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Indian Council of Agricultural Research, New Delhi

Date: February 21, 2025

Time: 14:30-16:30hrs

Venue: MS-Conf. Hall-I

Technical Session II: Advances in Agro-food Processing

Co-Chair I: Dr. Chandra Singh Director APHTC, Lethbridge College, Alberta, Canada	Co-Chair II: Dr. Yonglin Ren Professor, Centre for Biosecurity and One Health, Harry Butler Institute, Murdoch University
Rapporteur I: Mr. Joy Gilsenan Business Manager, Food Futures Institute, Murdoch University	Rapporteur II: Dr. Anil Kumar Associate Professor/SRD Department of Food Science & Technology, GBPUAT, Pantnagar
Speaker	Topics Duration
Dr. Chandra Singh Director APHTC, Lethbridge College, Alberta, Canada	Keynote Lecture: Role of Smart Sensors in Post-harvest Handling of Crops 20 min
Dr. Yonglin Ren Professor, Centre for Biosecurity and One Health, Harry Butler Institute, Murdoch University	Invited Lecture: Advances in Post-harvest Technologies for Ensuring Better Grain Quality 12 min
Dr. Sunil Pareek Professor (Horticulture PHT) & Dean (Post Graduate Studies), NIFTEM, Kundli, Sonapat, Haryana	Invited Lecture: The Future of Food: Disruptive Technologies Shaping the Global Food Business 12 min
Dr. Dhritiman Saha Sr. Scientist, ICAR-Central Institute of Post-Harvest Engineering and Technology, Ludhiana	Invited Lecture: Advances in Precision Post-harvest Technologies and Management 12 min
Dr. Abhinav Mishra Associate Professor, Department of Food Science and Technology, University of Georgia, USA	Invited Lecture: The Use of Machine Learning in Food Safety 12 min
Dr. N.C. Shahi Dean, MCAET Ambedkarnagar, ANDUAT	Invited Lecture: Post Harvest Process for Enhancing Values of Agric-products 12 min
Oral Presentations	
Mrs Deepa Pauly Chakiath Techno-functional starters Lab, Dairy Microbiology Division, ICAR-National Dairy Research Institute, Karnal	Bioproduction of Vitamin B12 by <i>Limosilactobacillus reuteri</i> NCDC 958 in whey-based media- Addressing B12 deficiency 05 min
MS Charu Bisht Department of Food Science & Technology, Govind Ballabh Pant University of Agriculture & Technology, Pantnagar	Optimization of Hydrogen Peroxide Treatment to Modify the Colour Characteristics of Dried Distiller's Rice Spent Grain 05 min
Dr. Parmod Kumar More Department of Post-Harvest Process and Food Engineering, GBPUAT Pantnagar, Uttarakhand	Process Optimization for Preparation of Lotus (<i>Nelumbo Nucifera</i>) Root Powder Using Vacuum Foam Mat Dring 05 min
Discussion	15 min
Co-chairs Remarks	10 min



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Theme 10: Innovations in Policies and Institutions

Theme Convener:

Dr. P.S. Birthal

Director

National Institute of Agricultural Economics and Policy Research

New Delhi

Date: February 21, 2025

Time: 11:30-13:30 hrs.

Venue: MS-Conf. Hall-3

Technical Session: Innovations in Policies and Institutions

Co-Chair I: Dr. Vijay Paul Sharma Chairman, CACP, New Delhi	Co-Chair II: Dr. Pramod Kumar Joshi Vice President, NAAS	
Rapporteur I: Dr. P.K. Meher Senior Scientist, ICAR-IASRI, New Delhi	Rapporteur II: Dr. Sanjay Srivastava, Professor Agricultural Economics, GBPUAT, Pantnagar	
Speaker	Topics	Duration
Dr. P.S. Birthal Director, ICAR-NIAEPR, New Delhi	Keynote Lecture: Reshaping Agricultural Policies for Sustainable Transformation of Agrifood System in India	20 min
Dr. Devesh Roy Senior Research Fellow, IFPRI New Delhi	Invited Lecture: Innovations in Agricultural Markets and Trade	15 min
Dr. Sachin Kumar Sharma Professor Centre for WTO Studies, IIFT, New Delhi	Invited Lecture: WTO and Agriculture	15min
Dr. Raka Saxena Principal Scientist & Head ICAR - NIAEPR, New Delhi	Invited Lecture: Policies for Harnessing Potential of Agricultural Exports	15 min
Oral Presentations		
Dr. Anil Kumar Dept. of Agricultural Economics, GBPUAT Pantnagar	Direct Marketing of Vegetables through Farmers' Markets: A Study of Rythu Bazars in Visakhapatnam	06 min
Dr. Barsati Lal ICAR-IISR, Lucknow	An Analysis of Sugarcane Based Cropping Patterns in Sitapur district of Uttar Pradesh	06 min
Dr. Paromita Ghosh G. B. Pant National Institute of Himalayan Environment, Kosi Katarmal, Almora	Transforming Rural Himalaya: The Eco-smart Village Model	06 min
Discussion		15 min
Co-chairs Remarks		10 min



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Panel Discussions

Panel	Area	Theme Convener
Panel Discussion I	Next Generation Technologies for Renewable Energy	Dr. K.P. Singh ADG (Engg.), ICAR
Panel Discussion II	Mainstreaming Young Professionals for Frontier Sciences	Dr. R. Sendhil Associate Professor, Pondicherry, University
Panel Discussion III	International Partnership for Frontier Agricultural Research	Prof. Rajeev K. Varshney International Chair in Agriculture & Food Security, Murdoch University, Australia
Panel Discussion IV	Clean Plant Program for Promoting Diversification in Agriculture	Dr. V.K. Baranwal National Professor, IARI, New Delhi Dr. Susheel Kumar Senior Scientist, IARI, New Delhi
Panel Discussion V	India-Africa Partnership in Agriculture	Dr. W.S. Lakra Former VC, ICAR-CIFE, Mumbai and Secretary, NAAS



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Panel Discussion-I: Next Generation Technologies for Renewable Energy

Panel Discussion Convener:

Dr. K.P. Singh

Assistant Director General (Farm Engg.)

Indian Council of Agricultural Research

Date: February 22, 2025

Time: 09:00-11:00 hrs.

Venue: MS-Conf. Hall-I

Technical Session: Cutting Edge Technologies for Renewable Energy in India

Session Coordinator:

Co-Chair I:

Dr. T.P. Singh

Prof & Head, Department of Farm Machinery and Power Engineering, College of Technology, GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Co-Chair II:

Dr. Anil Kumar Dubey

Director,
Sardar Patel Renewable Energy Institute, Anand, Gujrat

Rapporteur I:

Dr. U.C. Lohani

Asst. Professor, GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Rapporteur II:

Dr. S. Mandal

Sr. Scientist, ICAR-CIAE Bhopal

Lead Speaker

Dr. Vinod Kumar Bhargava

Project Coordinator, AICRP on Energy in Agriculture and Agro-based Industries (EAAI), ICAR-CIAE Bhopal

Topics

Cutting Edge Technologies for Renewable Energy Resources

Duration

20 min

Panellists

Dr. Mohad Rihan

Director General,
National Institute of Solar Energy, Gurugram

Status and Scope of Solar Energy to Meet Net Zero Target of Country in Agriculture Production and Processing

10 min

Dr. Thallada Bhaskar

Chief Scientist & Head
CSIR - Indian Institute of Petroleum, Dehradun

Green Economy from Valorization of Crop Residues and Self Sufficiency in Energy for Agricultural Production and Processing

10 min

Dr. P. Subramaniam

Professor,
Department of Bio Energy, TNAU Coimbatore

Green Hydrogen from Agri Biomass: A Circular Economy Approach to Create Green Jobs in Rural Sector

10 min

Dr. D.K. Vatsa

Prof & Head
Department of Agricultural Engineering, College of Agriculture, GSK HPKV, Palampur

Scenario of Farm Mechanization in Himalayan Region of India- Challenges and Future Opportunities

10 min

Dr. Mukesh Jain

Director, Northern Region Farm Machinery Training and Testing Institute Tractor Nagar, Hisar

Advancing Standards: Testing Protocols for Next Generation Agricultural Machinery

10 min

Dr. S.P. Singh

Project Coordinator
AICRP on Mechanisation of Animal Husbandry
ICAR-CIAE, Nabibagh, Bhopal

Animate Power Contribution in Enhancing Agricultural Production and Mechanisation Levels in Animal Husbandry Sector

10 min

Dr. K. N. Agarwal

Project Coordinator
FIM scheme, ICAR-CIAE, Bhopal

Mechanization of Indian Agriculture Efforts of Five Decades and Way Forward

10 min

Discussion

20 min

Co-chairs Remarks

10 min



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Panel Discussion-II: Mainstreaming Young Professionals for Frontier Sciences

Panel Discussion Convener:

Dr. R. Sendhil

Associate Professor

Pondicherry University

Date: February 21, 2025

Time: 14:30-16:30 hrs.

Venue: MS-Conf. Hall-2

Session Coordinator: Dr. (Ms.) Haritha Bollinedi, Scientist - Senior Scale, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi

Co-Chair I:

Dr. Jitender Kumar

Assistant Director General (NASF)

Indian Council of Agricultural Research

Co-Chair II:

Dr. Anuradha Agrawal

Project Director, ICAR-DKMA, New Delhi

Rapporteur I:

Dr. Gopalareddy Krishnappa

Scientist (SS), ICAR-SBI

Rapporteur II:

Dr. Sheel Yadav

Scientist (SS), ICAR-NBPGR

Invited Speakers

Duration

Dr. R.M. Sundaram

Director, ICAR-Indian Institute of Rice Research

Rajendranagar, Hyderabad

20 min

Panellists

Dr. R.P. Singh

Director, IIRS, ISRO, Dehradun

Opportunities for Young Professionals in Space Science

15 min

Dr. Arindam Datta

Fellow, Centre for Environmental Studies, The Energy and Resources Institute

15 min

Dr. Jess Vergis

Assistant Professor

College of Veterinary & Animal Sciences, Kerala

15 min

Dr. Kundan Kumar

Senior Scientist,

ICAR-Central Institute of Fisheries Education, Mumbai

15 min

Dr. Stuart Barber

Associate Professor (Animal MGMT & Welfare),

Melbourne Veterinary School

The University of Melbourne, Victoria, Australia

15 min

Discussion

15 min

Co-chairs Remarks

10 min



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Panel Discussion-III: International Partnership for Frontier Agricultural Research

Panel Discussion Convener:

Prof. Rajeev K. Varshney

International Chair in Agriculture & Food Security

Food Futures Institute

Murdoch University

Date: February 22, 2025

Time: 09:00-11:00 hrs.

Venue: MS-Conf. Hall-2

Co-Chair I: Prof. K.C. Bansal, Former Director, NBPGR, New Delhi	Co-Chair II: Dr. G. Taru Sharma, Director, National Institute of Animal Biotechnology, Hyderabad	
Rapporteur I: Prof. J.P. Jaiswal G.B. Pant University of Agriculture & Technology, Pantnagar	Rapporteur II: Dr. Manish Pandey ICRISAT, Hyderabad	
Lead Speaker	Topics	Duration
Prof. Peter Davies Pro Vice Chancellor, Food Futures Institute, Murdoch University, Australia		20 min
Panellists		
Prof. Karim M. Maredia Director of International Programs Michigan State University, USA		15 min
Prof. Neena Mitter Deputy Vice Chancellor Research and Vice President (Ag), Charles Sturt University, NSW, Australia		15 min
Dr. Michael Baum Director Biodiversity and Crop Improvement Program, ICARDA, Morocco		15 min
Dr. Ian Bland Associate Professor The University of Melbourne, Australia		15 min
Discussion		30 min
Co-chairs Remarks		10 min



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Panel Discussion – IV: Clean Plant Program for Promoting Diversification in Agriculture

Panel Discussion Conveners:

Prof. V.K. Baranwal, National Professor, Division of Plant Pathology, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi

Dr. Susheel Kumar Sharma, Sr. Scientist, Division of Plant Pathology, ICAR- IARI, New Delhi

Date: February 20, 2025

Time: 15:00-17:00 hrs

Venue: CABM-Basement

Co-Chair I: Prof. Anupam Varma INSA Emeritus Scientist, ICAR-IARI	Co-Chair II: Dr. M.K. Verma Director, ICAR-CITH, Srinagar	
Rapporteur I: Dr. S.K. Holkar Sr. Scientist ICAR-NRC Grapes, Pune	Rapporteur II: Dr. Omvir Singh Professor, Horticulture, GBPUAT, Pantnagar	
Lead Speaker	Topics	Duration
Dr. B.N.S. Murthy Former Director & Principal Scientist ICAR-Indian Institute of Horticultural Research, Bengaluru	India's Clean Plant Programme: Horticultural Crops Targeted for Achieving the Enhanced Diversity and Productivity	25 min
Panellists		
Prof. Assunta Bertaccini Alma Mater Studiorum, University of Bologna	Lesson from the Operational Clean Plant Program of the European Countries and Around the World	12 min
Prof. Ioannis Tzanetakis Director of the Arkansas Clean Plant Center	Diagnostics for Certification System in Clean Plant Programme	12 min
Dr. V.B. Patel ADG (Fruits & Plantation Crops), ICAR	Strategy for implementation of Clean Plant Programme in India	12 min
Dr. Anil Handa Professor, Dr. Y.S.P. Univ. of Horticulture & Forestry, Solan	Clean Plant Programme Focussing the Temperature and Sub-temperate Clonally Propagated Fruit Crops	12 min
Prof. Nicola Fiore Associate Professor University of Chile, Santiago	Lesson from the Clean Plant Program of fruit crops in Chile	12 min
Discussion		20 min
Co-chairs Remarks		15 min



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Panel Discussion – V: India-Africa Partnership in Agriculture

Panel Discussion Convener

Dr. W.S. Lakra

Former VC, ICAR-CIFE, Mumbai and Secretary, NAAS

Date: February 22, 2025

Time: 09:00-11:00 hrs.

Venue: MS-Conf. Hall-3

Co-Chair I: Dr. Himanshu Pathak Secretary, DARE & DG, ICAR and President, NAAS	Co-Chair II: Dr. B.S. Dhillon Former Vice Chancellor, PAU Ludhiana	
Rapporteur I: Dr. Shiva Prasad Professor Department of Civil Engineering, GBPUAT, Pantnagar	Rapporteur II: Dr. Deeksha Gupta Executive Director National Academy of Agricultural Sciences, New Delhi	
Lead Speaker	Topics	Duration
Dr. W.S. Lakra Secretary, NAAS and Former Director & Vice Chancellor, ICAR-CIFE, Mumbai		20 min
Panellists		
Shri Tarun Shridhar Former Secretary to Govt. of India		12 min
Prof. Rajeev K. Varshney International Chair in Agriculture & Food Security, Food Futures Institute Murdoch University		12 min
Prof. Karimbhai M. Maredia Professor, Senior Global Scholar and Director, International Programs, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, Michigan State University		12 min
Dr. M.L. Jat Global Research Program Director Resilient Farm and Food Systems ICRISAT, Hyderabad		12 min
Dr. Nkem Khumbah Head of STI Policy Systems, Governance and Partnerships (STI-PGA), African Academy of Sciences		12 min
Discussion		15 min
Co-chairs Remarks		15 min



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Symposia

Panel	Area	Theme Convenor	No. of Sessions
Symposia I	Agriculture at Altitude: Innovating for Hill and Mountain Regions	Dr. Laxmi Kant Director, VPKAS, Almora	2
Symposia II	Quality Education for Promoting Next Generation Science	Dr. R.C. Agrawal DDG (Ag. Edu.), ICAR	1
Symposia III	Bee Vital: Understanding the Agricultural Significance of Honey Bees	Dr. Raju Kapoor Director, Corporate Affairs, FMC	3
Symposia IV	New Frontiers in Science-Technology-Innovation-Farmers Connect	Dr. Ashok K. Singh VC, RLBCAU, Jhansi	1
Symposia V	Innovations in Overcoming Poverty & Malnutrition	Dr. K. Madhavan Nair Former Deputy Director, NIN	1
Symposia VI	Frontiers in Science and Technology for Community Development	Dr. Alka Goel Dean, College of Community Science GBPUAT, Pantnagar	2
Symposia VII	Advances in Poultry	Dr. Ashok Kumar Tiwari Director, ICAR-CARI, Izatnagar	1



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Symposia I: Agriculture at Altitude: Innovating for Hill and Mountain Regions

(Co-Organized by: VPKAS, ICIMOD, GBPNIHE, UCDST & UCB)

Symposia Convener:

Dr. Lakshmi Kant

Director

ICAR-Vivekananda Parvatiya Krishi Anusandhan Sansthan, Almora, Uttarakhand

Date: February 20, 2025

Time: 15:00-17:00 hrs.

Venue: COA Conf. Hall

Technical Session I: Hill Agriculture Challenges and Opportunities

Co-Chair I: Dr. H.S. Gupta Chairman, Agriculture Commission, Assam	Co-Chair II: Dr. M.S. Chauhan Vice Chancellor, GBPUAT, Pantnagar	Co-Chair III: Dr. A.K. Sikka IWMI Representative-India
Rapporteur I: Dr. N.K. Hedau Head, Crop Improvement Division, ICAR-VPKAS, Almora	Rapporteur II: Dr. D.P. Walia Head, IARI RS Amartara Cottage, Shimla	
Speaker	Topics	Duration
Dr. Lakshmi Kant Director, ICAR-VPKAS, Almora	Context Setting: Hill Agriculture: Challenges and Opportunities	15 min
Dr. S.K. Sharma and Dr. N.K. Hedau EX VC CSK HPKV Palampur	Invited Lecture: Cropsat High Altitude for Ensuring Food and Nutritional Security	15 min
Dr. Madhu Verma Senior Economic Advisor & Chief Environmental Economist, IDRA, Delhi	Invited Lecture: Climate Change and Ecosystem Services	15 min
Dr. B.S. Mohapatra Former Vice Chancellor, Bidhan Chandra Krishi Viswavidyalaya, Kalyani	Invited Lecture: Hill Natural Resource Management: Status, Advances and Key for Sustainability	15 min
Dr. Mahendra Kumar Verma Director ICAR-GITH, Jammu & Kashmir	Invited Lecture: Changing Scenarios of Fruits and Vegetables at High Altitude in Ensuring High Income from Small Farms	15 min
Prof. Brijesh Srivastava Department of Food Engineering & Technology Tezpur University, Assam	Invited Lecture: Electrical Field-based Technologies for Post Harvest Processing of Fruits and Vegetables	15 min
Oral Presentations		
Dr. Archana Kushwaha, NIFTEM-K Kundil, Sonapat, Haryana.	Comparative Analysis of Physical, Dimensional, Nutritional, and Anti-nutritional Parameters of White and Brown Finger Millet (<i>Eleusine Coracana</i>) Cultivars of Uttarakhand	05 min
Dr. N.K. Hedau ICAR-VPKAS, Almora.	Molecular Characterization and Screening of Powdery Mildew Resistance in Garden Pea Using SCAR Markers	05 min
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Discussion		10 min
Co-chairs Remarks		10 min



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Date: February 21, 2025

Time: 09:00-11:00hrs

Venue: COA Conf. Hall

Technical Session II: Climate Change Impact on Hill Ecosystem

Co-Chair I: Dr. Arthur Nonumura, Professor, Northern Arizona University, USA	Co-Chair II: Dr. Sunil Nautiyal Director, GBPNIHE, Kosi, Almora	Co-Chair III: Dr. Sanjay Kumar Director Uttarakhand Biotech. Council, Uttarakhand
Rapporteur I: Dr. R.K. Singh Head, Agrometeorology, GBPUAT, Pantnagar	Rapporteur II: Dr. Subhash Chandra Head, Agronomy, GBPUAT, Pantnagar	
Speaker	Topics	Duration
Mr Abul Kalam Azad Senior Intervention Manager - Livelihoods and Enterprises, ICIMOD, Nepal	Context Setting: Integrated Mountain Development in Hindukush Himalaya	20 min
Dr. Kamal Aryal Resilient Agriculture Specialist, ICIMOD, Kathmandu, Nepal	Invited Lecture: Climate Resilient Agriculture Initiative for High Altitude Agriculture	12 min
Dr. Arthur Nonumura, Professor, Northern Arizona University, USA	Invited Lecture: Harnessing the Sugar Code to Modulate the Carbon Reactions on Photosynthesis in Agriculture	12 min
Dr. R K Maikhuri Professor, HNBGU, Uttarakhand	Invited Lecture: Impact of Climate Change on Himalayan Agrobiodiversity	12 min
Dr. A. Arunachalam Director CAFRI, Jhansi	Invited Lecture: Impact of Climate Change on High Altitude Agriculture System	12 min
Dr. Susheela Negi Associate Head/Scientist F, DST, New Delhi	Invited Lecture: Climate Change and Resilience	12 min
Oral Presentations		
Dr. Vijay P. Singh G.B. Pant University of Agriculture and Technology, Pantnagar.	Stress Management and Productivity Enhancement in Fruit Crops Through Plastic Mulching Under Hilly Terraced Land of Uttarakhand	05 min
Dr. D.K. Shahi, Department of Soil Science and Agriculture Chemistry, Birsa Agricultural University, Ranchi, Jharkhand, India.	Effect of Phosphorus and Sulphur Enriched Organo-Mineral Compost on Yield and Nutrient Uptake by Maize (<i>Zea Mays L.</i>) Grown in Acidic Upland Soil of Ranchi, Jharkhand	05 min
Dr. Arun Kushwaha, Department of Plant Pathology, College of Agriculture, GBPUAST, Pantnagar.	Generation of Additional Income Through Intervention of Mushroom Production Technology, Near Patwadangar, Nainital, Uttarakhand	05 min
Discussion		15 min
Co-chairs Remarks		10 min



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Symposia-II: Quality Education for Promoting Next Generation Science

Symposia Convener:

Dr. R.C. Agrawal

Deputy Director General (Agril. Edn)

Indian Council of Agricultural Research

New Delhi

Date: February 22, 2025

Time: 09:00-11:00 hrs.

Venue: CABM-Shiksha Sadan

Session Coordinator: Dr. Seema Jaggi, ADG (HRD), ICAR

Co-Chair I:

Dr. P.L. Gautam

Former Chairperson, PPV&FRA

Co-Chair II:

Dr. B.S. Dhillon

Former Vice Chancellor, PAU, Ludhiana

Rapporteur I:

Dr. V.L.V. Kameswari

Professor & Head

Agril. Communication, GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Rapporteur II:

Dr. Amardeep Chauhan

Associate Professor

Agril. Communication, GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Speaker

Topics

Duration

Dr. R.C. Agrawal

Deputy Director General (Agril. Edn)

Indian Council of Agricultural Research, New Delhi

Context Setting: Quality Education for Promoting Next Generation Science

20 min

Dr. Parvinder Kaushal

Vice Chancellor, VCSG Uttarakhand University of Horticulture and Forestry, Uttarakhand

Invited Lecture: The Challenges in the Implementation of NEP-2020 in Agricultural Higher Education

12 min

Dr. K.C. Veeranna

Vice Chancellor, Karnataka Veterinary, Animal & Fisheries Sciences University, Bidar

Invited Lecture: Trends and Innovations in Veterinary Education

12min

Dr. V. Geethalakshmi

Vice Chancellor,

Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore

Invited Lecture: Role of Skill-based Learning in Agricultural Higher Education

12min

Dr. Bidyut Chandan Deka

Vice-Chancellor,

Assam Agricultural University, Jorhat

Invited Lecture: Agri-preneurship for the Future Ready Students

12 min

Dr. M.K. Naik

Former Vice Chancellor,

KSN University of Agri. & Hort. Science, Shivamogga

Invited Lecture: Nurturing Next Generation Agri-Professionals for Bio-Revolution to Strengthen Bio-Economy

12 min

Dr. Serge Savary

Ex Director Research,

INRAE-France

Invited Lecture: The Changing Landscapes of Agricultural Research in India: A Survey of ICAR's Research through the Analysis of 35,122 PhD Theses – 1925-2021

12 min

Oral Presentations

Mr. Udit Joshi

G.B. Pant University of Agriculture and Technology
Pantnagar Udham Singh Nagar Uttarakhand

Exploring outlook of undergraduate students towards RAWE village attachment programme

06 min

Discussion

10 min

Co-chairs Remarks

10 min



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Symposia-III: Bee Vital: Understanding the Agricultural Significance of Honey Bees

(Co-Organized by: KIS, Slovenia, GBPUAT, and FMC)

Symposia Convener:

Dr. Raju Kapoor

Director, FMC

Date: February 21, 2025

Time: 11:30-13:30hrs

Venue: COA Conf. Hall

Technical Session I: Honeybee: Environmental Challenges

Co-Chair I: Prof. (Dr). Andrej Simončič Director, KIS, Slovenia	Co-Chair II: Dr. P.K. Chhuneja Eminent Scientist, Dept of Entomology, PAU, Ludhiana
Rapporteur I: Dr. Renu Pandey Assistant Professor Entomology, GBPUAT, Pantnagar	Rapporteur II: Dr. J.P. Purwar Professor, Entomology, GBPUAT, Pantnagar
Speaker	Topics Duration
Prof. (Dr). Andrej Simončič Director, KIS, Slovenia	Context Setting: Importance of Honeybees for Human Kind 20 min
Dr. Janez Presern KIS, Slovenia	Invited Lecture: Climate Change Chaos: Beekeeping in a Warming World 15 min
Dr. P.K. Chhuneja Eminent Scientist, Dept of Entomology, PAU, Ludhiana	Invited Lecture: Habitat Loss: Buzzing Towards Extinction 15 min
Danilo Bevk KIS, Slovenia	Invited Lecture: Nature's Symphony: Pollinators as Orchestrators of Ecological Harmony 15 min
Dr. Jaspal Singh Principal Entomologist Apiculture Unit, Department of Entomology, PAU, Ludhiana	Invited Lecture: Biodiversity's Ballet: Pollinators as Wealth and Health of Earth 15 min
Dr. M.R. Srinivasan Professor Department of Entomology Tamil Nadu Agricultural University Coimbatore – 641003 (TN)	Invited Lecture: 15 min
Oral Presentations	
Ms Priyanka Rani Cotton Section, Dept. Of GP&B, College of Agriculture, CCSHAU, Hisar	Pollination for Health: Exploring Honey Production from Medicinal Crops 05 min
Mr Moorthy A.V, Dept of Entomology, GBPUAT, Pantnagar	Comparative Analysis of Bacterial Communities in <i>Apis Cerana</i> Gut and Honey 05 min
Discussion	05 min
Co-chairs Remarks	10 min



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Dr. Raju Kapoor

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Date: February 21, 2025

Time: 14:30-16:30hrs

Venue: COA Conf. Hall

Technical Session II: Beekeeping Practices and Sustainability

Co-Chair I: Dr. Janez Presern KIS, Slovenia	Co-Chair II: Dr. Jaspal Singh Principal Entomologist Apiculture Unit, Department of Entomology, PAU, Ludhiana
Rapporteur I: Dr. Renu Pandey Assistant Professor Entomology, GBPUAT, Pantnagar	Rapporteur II: Dr. J.P. Purwar Professor, Entomology, GBPUAT, Pantnagar
Speaker	Topics Duration
Dr. Lucija Zvokelj	Context Setting: Ethical Apiary Cultivating Compassion at Beekeeping 20 min
Gorazd Trušnovc UBAS, Slovenia	Invited Lecture: Urban Beekeeping: Benefits and Detriments 15 min
Dr. Shravan Manbhar Haldhar Principal Scientist ICAR National Research Centre for integrated Pest Management, New Delhi	Invited Lecture: Altitudinal Modulation of High-altitude Honey Quality from Different Bee Species: Implication for Enhancing the Human Body Immunity 15 min
Dr. Pramod Mall Professor & Head, Dept of Entomology, GBPUAT, Pantnagar	Invited Lecture: Pesticide Poisoning: A Silent Threat to Bees 15 min
Valentina Cvjetkovic	Invited Lecture: Health of Bees for the Wealth of Human 15 min
Dr. Shantanu Jha Professor Department of Entomology, Bidhan Chandra Krishi Vishwa Vidyalaya, Kalyani	Invited Lecture: Indigenized Techniques of Enhancing Honeybee Production 15 min
Oral Presentations	
Dr. Bhawana Joshi Senior Entomologist State Beekeeping Centre Jeolikote Nainital	The Role of Apiculture in Transforming Agricultural Productivity: Opportunities and Challenges 05 min
Dr. Bharathi Mohindru Punjab Agricultural University	Exploring the Seasonal Dynamics of Hygienic Behavior in Apis mellifera Colonies 05 min
Discussion	05 min
Co-chairs Remarks	10 min



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Symposia IV: New Frontiers in Science-Technology-Innovation-Farmers Connect

Symposia Convener:

Dr. Ashok K. Singh

Vice Chancellor

Rani Lakshmi Bai Central Agricultural University

Jhansi

Date: February 22, 2025

Time: 09:00-11:00 hrs.

Venue: CABM-MDP Hall

Session Coordinator: Dr. Ranjay K. Singh, Assistant Director General (Agril. Extension), ICAR		
Co-Chair I: Dr. P. Das Former DDG (AE), ICAR	Co-Chair II: Dr. Ajeet Kumar Karnatak Vice-Chancellor, MPUAGT, Udaipur	
Rapporteur I: Dr. Ashis S Murai ICAR-ATARI, Ludhiana	Rapporteur II: Dr. Shridhar Patil RLBCAU, Jhansi	
Speaker	Topics	Duration
Dr. A.K. Singh Vice Chancellor, Rani Lakshmi Bai Central Agricultural University, Jhansi	Context setting	20 min
Mr. Surendra Verdia Chief Programme Executive, BAIF Development Research Foundation	Invited Lecture: Role of Farmers' Organizations in Science-Technology-Innovation-Farmers Connect	15 min
Dr. Samuel Praveen Kumar Joint Secretary (Extension), MoAFW	Invited Lecture: Digital Innovations for Technology Dissemination	15 min
Dr. R. Roy Burman Assistant Director General (AE), ICAR	Invited Lecture: Convergence for Technology Development and Disseminations	15 min
Dr. Vikram Singh Senior Scientist (IP&TM), ICAR	Invited Lecture: Technology Commercialization and Incubation for Business Promotion	15 min
Oral Presentations		
Dr. Ajay Department of Agronomy, College of Agriculture, GBPUAT, Pantnagar	Increasing Soybean Productivity Through Technology Intervention in Uttarakhand	06 min
Dr. Jitendra Kwatra GBPUAT, Pantnagar	Enhancing Women's Efficiency in Nursery Planting Through Drudgery-Reducing Tools"	06 min
Discussion		15 min
Co-chairs Remarks		10 min



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Symposia V: Innovations in Overcoming Poverty and Malnutrition

Symposia Convener:

Dr. K. Madhavan Nair

Former Deputy Director

ICMR-National Institute of Nutrition, Hyderabad

Date: February 21, 2025

Time: 09:00-11:00 hrs.

Venue: COCSc-Conference Hall

Co-Chair I: Dr. V. Prakash Former Director, CFTRI Karnataka	Co-Chair II: Dr. Anjani Kumar Senior Research Fellow International Food Policy Research Institute
Rapporteur I: Dr. Anupma, Professor & Head, Textile and Apparel Designing College of Community Science, CAU, Imphal	Rapporteur II: Dr. Sakshi, Associate Professor Textile and Apparel Designing College of Community Science, GBPUAT, Pantnagar
Speaker	Topics Duration
Dr. K. Madhavan Nair Former Deputy Director, ICMR-National Institute of Nutrition, Hyderabad	Context Setting 10 min
Prof. Anura V.Kurpad Professor, Dept of Physiology, St John's National Academy of Health Sciences, Bangalore	Invited Lecture: Climate Change, Nutrition and Nutrient Requirements 15 min
Dr. Samarasimha Reddy N Scientist-E (Medical) Clinical Epidemiology Division ICMR- National Institute of Nutrition, Hyderabad	Invited Lecture: Survey for Assessment of Markers of Population Health, Activity, Diet and Anthropometry (SAMPADA): Study Protocol 15 min
Prof Amit Arora Professor, Centre for Technology Alternatives for Rural Areas, Mumbai	Invited Lecture: Innovations in Bioprocessing and Green Chemistry for a Waste-to-Health Paradigm 15 min
Dr. Pratha Pratim Sahu Associate Professor Centre for Entrepreneurship Development and Financial Inclusion & Head i/c, Centre for Good Governance & Policy Analysis, National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj, Hyderabad	Invited Lecture: Towards a Poverty Free Village: Challenges and Prospects 15 min
Dr. G.M. Subba Rao Scientist F & Head, Nutrition Information, Communication & Health Education Division, ICMR - National Institute of Nutrition, Hyderabad	Invited Lecture: Innovative Communication Approaches in Nutrition to Promote and Improve Health Literacy 15 min
Dr. Surinder Singh Chauhan School of Agriculture, Food and Ecosystem Sciences, University of Melbourne, Australia	Invited Lecture: Food for a Healthy Planet 15 min
Discussion	10 min
Co-chairs Remarks	10 min



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Symposia VI: Frontier Science and Technology for Community Development

Symposia Convener:

Dr. Alka Goel

Dean, College of Community Science

GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Date: February 21, 2025

Time: 11:30-13:30hrs

Venue: COCSc-Conference Hall

Technical Session I: Capacity Building of Women for Community Development

Session Coordinators:

Dr. Aditi Vats

Prof. and Head, RMCS, GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Dr. Archana Kushwaha

Prof. and Head, FN, GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Co-Chair I:

Dr. B.S. Bisht

Ex Vice Chancellor, GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Co-Chair II:

Dr. R.S. Jadoun

Dean, CABM, GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Rapporteur I:

Dr. Sapna Gautam

Prof. & Head, Deptt. of Apparel and Textile Science
CSK HPKV, Palampur (H.P.)

Rapporteur II:

Dr. Anupama Pandey

I/C EECM, College of Community Science, GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Speaker

Topics

Duration

Dr. Manmohan Rawat

Sr. Scientist, Head R&D,
UCDST, Dehradun, UK

Context Setting: Role of Science and
Technology in Achieving Sustainable
Development Goals for Community Development

15 min

Dr. Rita Singh Raghuvanshi

Emeritus Professor/Former Dean
College of Community Science, GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Invited Lecture:

15 min

Dr. (Prof.) Surendra Prasad

Prof., Chemistry, School of Agriculture, Geography,
Environment, Ocean and Natural Sciences, The University of
the South Pacific, Suva, Republic of Fiji

Invited Lecture: Phytate and its Effect on the
Bioavailability of Fe, Zn and Ca in Selected Foods

15 min

Dr. Leena Kumari

Assistant Director, NIPCCD, Lucknow

Invited Lecture: Critical Significance of
Stimulation in Early Years of Life

15 min

Dr. Manju Dahia

Prof. & Jt. Director Research, HAU, Hisar

Invited Lecture: Traditional Crafts and Modern
Technologies for Rural Livelihoods

15 min

Dr. Sanchita Gupta

Fash 'Enable'
New Delhi

Invited Lecture: Building a Fashion House as a
Catalyst for Community Empowerment and
Sustainable Development

15 min

Oral Presentations

Dr. Pratibha Singh

Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Kashipur (GBPUAT, Pantnagar), Udham
Singh Nagar, Uttarakhand

Assessment and Improvement of Health Status
Along with Consumption Pattern of Farm Women
in District Udham Singh Nagar, Uttarakhand

05 min

Ms Prity Pant

Nutrition and Wellness Center, Prantika, First Floor, 2/298,
Sector 4, Vaishali, Ghaziabad 201019

Nutritional Assessment of College Students of
NCR Region And Development of A Nutraceutical
Beverage for Health Benefits

05 min

Discussion

10 min

Co-chairs Remarks

10 min



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Frontier Sciences and Technologies in Agriculture for Developed India

Symposia VI: Frontier Science and Technology for Community Development

Symposia Convener:

Dr. Alka Goel

Dean, College of Community Science

GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Date: February 21, 2025

Time: 14:30-16:30hrs.

Venue: COCSc-Conference Hall

Technical Session II: Technological Breakthrough for Community Development

Session Coordinators:

Dr. Aditi Vats

Prof. and Head, RMCS, GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Dr. Archana Kushwaha

Prof. and Head, FN, GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Co-Chair I:

Dr. A.P. Sharma

Ex Vice Chancellor, GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Co-Chair II:

Dr. Deepa Vinay

Registrar and Prof., RMCS, GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Rapporteur I:

Dr. Seiko Jose

Scientist, CSWRI, Avikanagar
Rajasthan

Rapporteur II:

Dr. Neetu Dobhal

Assistant Professor, FN
CoCS, GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Speaker

Dr. Manish Kumar Chatli

Director, CIRG
Mathura

Topics

Context Setting: Empowering Communities
through Value Added Livestock Product
Technologies

Duration

15 min

Dr. Sapna A. Narula

Director, CCS NIAM, Jaipur

Invited Lecture: Agriculture Products and
Marketing for Community Development

15 min

Dr. Surya Rathore

Head (Acting), Division of Extension Systems Management,
ICAR – NAARM, Hyderabad (Telangana)

Invited Lecture: Gender Issues and Challenges
for Community Upliftment

15 min

Dr. Jaishankar R Nair

Professor & Dean
Ecology and Environment Studies

Invited Lecture: Nalanda Model of Growing Bag
for Community Development

15 min

Dr. Anand Mohan

Associate Professor
Department of Food Science and Technology
College of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences, 129 Food
Science Building, Athens, University of Georgia, USA

Invited Lecture: Oxidized Foods' Nutritional and
Health Dimensions

15 min

Shri Dr. Swami Sarang Mohiley

Founder & Director
Shree Swami Sarang Global Peace Foundation, Lucknow, UP

Invited Lecture: Threads of Unity: Weaving
Communities through Empowerment, Innovation,
and Sustainability

15 min

Oral Presentations

Dr. Anuradha Dutta,

G.B.P.U.A.T, Pantnagar

In Vitro And in Vivo Quality Assessment Of Leaf
Protein Isolate From Tobacco (Nicotiana
Tabacum) Leaves

05 min

Dr. Neelam Kumari

National Institute of Food Technology Entrepreneurship and
Management, NIFTEM-K, Sonapat, Haryana.

Amla Herbal Jam: A Fusion of Flavor, Nutrition,
and Innovation

05 min

Discussion

10 min

Co-chairs Remarks

10 min



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Symposia VII: Advances in Poultry

Symposia Convener:

Dr. A.K. Tiwari

Director,

ICAR-CARI, Izzatnagar

Date: February 21, 2025

Time: 11:30-13:30hrs

Venue: Ratan Singh Auditorium

Technical Session-I: Frontiers of Sciences and Technology for Poultry Advancement

Symposia Coordinator: Dr. Pankaj Kumar Shukla, Professor & Head, Veterinary College, DUVASU, Mathura

Co-coordinators:

Dr. Rokade, J.J. Scientist (SS), ICAR-CARI, Izzatnagar	Dr. Gautham Kolluri Scientist (SS), ICAR-CARI, Izzatnagar	Dr. Anil Kumar Professor, LPM, GBPUAT, Pantnagar
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Moderators:

Dr. P.K. Shukla President, Indian Poultry Science Association	Dr. A.S. Ranade Former President Indian Poultry Science Association
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Co-Chair I: Dr. Triveni Dutt Director ICAR-IVRI, Izzatnagar	Co-Chair II: Dr. (Prof.) Kusumakar Sharma Dist. Professor, Galgotias Uni. Jaipur Ex ADG (HRD), ICAR, New Delhi	Co-Chair-III: Dr. Simmi Tomar General Secretary, Indian Poultry Science Association, Izzatnagar
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Rapporteur I: Dr. Asok M. Scientist, IVRI, Izzatnagar, Bareilly	Rapporteur II: Dr. Amitav Bhattacharya Professor, DUVASU, Mathura	Rapporteur III: Dr. Rajeev Ranjan Kumar Associate Professor, Pantnagar
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Speaker	Topics	Duration
Dr. R. Prabhakaran Former VC, TANUVAS	Context Setting: Current Trends and Future Prospects of Indian Poultry Industry	20 min
Dr. P.S. Mahesh Director, CEAH, DAHDF	Invited Lecture: Smart Poultry Farming	15 min
Dr. Suresh Kumar Mittal Distinguished Professor of Virology College of Veterinary Medicine, Purdue, University, USA	Invited Lecture: Emerging Avian Influenza Viruses, their implications and Controlled Strategies	15 min
Dr. D.P. Singh MD Huvepharma SEA	Invited Lecture: Addressing Emerging & Remerging Challenges for Sustainable Poultry Marketing	15 min
Mr. Suresh Chitturi Managing Director, Srinivasa Farms	Invited Lecture: Importance of Eggs for Vikshit Bharat	15 min
Oral Presentations		
Dr. Divya Sharma ICAR-Central Avian Research Institute, Izzatnagar, UP	Effect of Supplementation of Mushroom Stem Dried Powder on Egg Quality Traits and Serum Biochemical Parameters of Aseel Peela Birds	05 min
Dr. S.C Giri, ICAR-Directorate of Poultry Research, RS, Bhubaneswar	Study of Ideal Litter Material in Duck House During Laying Period	05 min
Dr. Anshu Rahal, Department of Animal Nutrition GBPUAT, Pantnagar, Uttarakhand	Effect of Zinc Supplementation on Growth Performance of Rir Chicks on Cereal Based Diet	05 min
Hussen Ebrahim, College of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences	Growth Performance and Economics of Broiler Chickens Supplemented with Amoxicillin, Synbiotic and Thyme essential Oil	05 min
Discussion		10 min
Co-chairs Remarks		10 min



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Workshop

Workshop: Nanotechnology in Agriculture

Symposia Convener:

Dr. V.K Singh,

Director

ICAR-CRIDA Hyderabad

Date: February 21, 2025

Time: 11:30-13:30hrs

Venue: CABM-Shiksha Sadan

Technical Session I: The Science of Nanotechnology for Enhancing System Efficiency

Co-Chair I: Dr. K.P Singh Vice Chancellor, Rohilkhand University, Bareilly	Co-Chair II: Dr. Arvind Kumar Former Vice Chancellor, RLBCAU Jhansi	
Rapporteur I: Dr. Praveen Upadhyay Scientist -IARI, New Delhi	Rapporteur II: Dr. Guruvinder Singh Professor Agronomy, GBPUAT, Pantnagar	
Speaker	Topics	Duration
Dr. Siddharth S. Mukopadhyay Professor (Ret), Punjab Agriculture University, Ludhiana	Keynote Lecture: Phosphorus and Zinc: Safe-by-Design Novel Nano-materials for Supplying Nutrients to the Plant	20 min
Dr. V.K Singh Director, ICAR-CRIDA Hyderabad	Invited Lecture:	15 min
Dr. Vinod Saharan Professor (Biotechnology), MPUAT, Udaipur	Invited Lecture: Enhancing Crop Productivity through Nutrient Modulation with Nanomaterials	15 min
Dr. Tarunendru Singh, Chief Agricultural Services, IFFCO-Delhi	Invited Lecture: Nano-fertilizers Market in Indian and International Perspectives	15 min
Dr. S.S. Rathore, Head Agronomy, ICAR-IARI-New Delhi	Invited Lecture: Effect of Nano-Fertilization on Productivity, Quality and Economics of Cereal based Systems	15 min
Oral Presentations		
Kundarapu Kartheek Central Ave, Gillingham, Chatham ME4 4TB, UK	Enhance Nutrient use efficiency and farm profitability with Nanofertilizer: A sustainable solution for Agriculture development	05 min
Joyson Jacob Karunya Institute of Technology & Sciences, Tamil Nadu	Development of Nano-Fertilizers for controlled and sustained nutrient uptake	05 min
Alok Singh Jayara G.B. Pant University of Agriculture & Technology	Comparative evaluation of nano urea and foliar spray of granular urea on plant height and yield of wheat crop	05 min
Discussion		15 min
Co-chairs Remarks		10 min



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Technical Session II: Application of Nanotechnology in Agriculture

Workshop Coordinator:

Co-Chair I:

Dr. Prabha Sankar Shukla

Vice-Chancellor,

NEHU Shillong

Co-Chair II:

Dr. Anil Kumar

Director Education

RLBCAU, Jhansi

Rapporteur I:

Dr. Tariq Ahmad Sofi

Associate Professor, SKUAST-Srinagar

Rapporteur II:

Dr. Adinath Kate

Scientist, GIAE-Bhopal

Speaker

Topics

Duration

Dr. K.S Subramanian

EX. Director Research, TNAU, Coimbatore, Scientific Advisor

Coromandel International Limited, Hyderabad

Keynote Lecture: Nano-enabled Systems to Revolutionize Indian Agriculture

20 min

Dr. Ashwani Kumar

Principal Scientist,

CSSRI Karnal

Invited Lecture: Strategic Application of Nano-fertilizers for Sustainable Agriculture

15 min

Dr. Ajeet Tomar

Executive Director, Lotus Bio Agrovat India, New Delhi

Invited Lecture: Novel Nanotechnology Approach: A Smarter Way for Sustainable Agriculture

15 min

Dr. Rajeew Kumar

Professor (Agronomy), GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Invited Lecture: Scientific Dimensions of Nano fertilizers and its Applications in Agriculture

15 min

Oral Presentations

Dr. Shubham Durgude

International Maize and Wheat Improvement Center - BISA,

Pusa, Samastipur

Transforming Agricultural waste into functional Nano-Biostimulants – A multi-omics approach

05 min

Ms Sameena Mehtab

Department of Chemistry, GBSH GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Development of sustainable release formulations for controlled released of herbicides with electrochemical Insights

05 min

Ms Anamika Sajwan

G.B. Pant University of Agriculture and Technology

Influence of Nano- Potassium on growth, yield and quality of Damask Rose

05 min

Dr. Gulab Chand Yadav

Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow

Unlocking the power of Nanoparticles in Vegetable Crop Innovation

05 min

Pratibha Singh

Rajasthan Agricultural Research Institute, Durgapura

Nitrogen management through Nano urea in Wheat (*Triticum aestivum*)

05 min

Discussion

15 min

Co-chairs Remarks

10 min



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Farmers Scientists Interaction Session

Farmers Scientists Interaction Convener:

Dr. U.S. Gautam

Deputy Director General (AE),

Indian Council of Agricultural Research

New Delhi

Date: February 22, 2025

Time: 09:00-11:00 hrs.

Venue: Gandhi Hall

Session Coordinator: Dr. R. Roy Burman, ADG (AE), ICAR

Co-Chair I:

Dr. A.K. Singh

Vice Chancellor, RLBCAU, Jhansi

Co-Chair II:

Dr. J. P. Sharma

Former VC, SKUAST-J

Rapporteur I:

Dr. Arpita Sharma

GBPUAT

Rapporteur II:

Dr. Madan Singh

ICAR-IVRI

Speaker

Topics

Duration

Dr. U. S. Gautam

Deputy Director General (AE), ICAR

Context Setting

15 min

Sh. Bharat Bhushan Tyagi

Padmashree Farmer

Invited Lecture: Farmers Innovation – Upscaling and Out-scaling

15 min

Sh. Sethpal Singh

Padmashree Farmer

Invited Lecture: Institutionalizing Farmers Innovation

15 min

Dr. Parvender Sheoran

Director, ICAR-ATARI, Zone I, Ludhiana

Invited Lecture: Mainstreaming Farmers Innovation

15 min

Dr. B.S. Mandal

Director Extension Education, CCSHAU, Hissar

Invited Lecture: Upscaling and Out-scaling Farmers Innovation – Role of SAUs

15 min

Dr. J.P. Mishra

Director, ATARI, Jodhpur

Invited Lecture: Capacity Development of Farmer Innovators

15 min

Discussion

15 min

Co-chairs Remarks

15 min

Local Coordinator:

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Industry Academia Interface

Industry Academia Interface Convener:

Dr. K.M. Bujarbaruah,

Former Vice President, NAAS and Former VC, AAU Jorhat

Date: February 22, 2025;

Time: 09:00-11:00hrs;

Venue: MDP Hall

Session Coordinator: Dr. Praveen Malik, CEO, AGRINNOVATE INDIA

Co-Chair I:

Dr. Ravi Hegde

Global Regulatory Lead for Asset Management & Regulatory Strategy, UPL India Pvt Ltd

Co-Chair II:

Mr. Ajay Rana

CEO and Managing Director, Savannah Seeds Pvt Ltd & Chairman, Federation of Seed Industry of India

Rapporteur I:

Dr. Ritika Bhatt

Assistant Professor, GBPUAT

Rapporteur II:

Dr. Sneha Dohre

Assistant Professor, GBPUAT

Topics

Duration

Dr. K.M. Bujarbaruah,

Former Vice President, NAAS and Former VC, AAU, Jorhat

Context Setting

05 min

Keynote Speakers

Dr. Sudhansu Pathak

Vice-President (HR), JK Industries, New Delhi

Keynote Lecture:

15 min

Speakers

Dr. R. Ravi Babu

General Manager,
Farm Sector Development Department, NABARD

8 min

Dr. V.S. Chauhan

JK Agri Genetics Ltd.

8 min

Shri Roshan Tamak

Exe. Director & CEO, Sugar Business DCM Shriram LTD

8 min

Mr. Ajay Rana

CEO and Managing Director, Savannah Seeds Pvt Ltd & Chairman Federation of Seed Industry of India

8 min

Dr. Praveen Malik

CEO, Agrinnovate India, An ICAR Company

8 min

Dr. R.S. Jadoun

Dean, College of Agri-business Management

8 min

Mr. Rajvir Singh Rathi

Director Public Affairs, Science and Sustainability,
Bayer Crop Science India

8 min

Dr. Ruchira Saini

Corteva Agri Sciences India Pvt Ltd

8 min

Dr. Ashutosh Singh

Professor, Agri Business Management, GBPUAT

8 min

Discussion (questions from audience)

10 min

Co-chairs Remarks

10 min

Local Coordinator:

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NAAS-YUVA (Youth United for Visionary Agriculture)-Student Interaction

Conveners:

Dr.(Ms.) Haritha Bollinedi

Convener, NAAS-YUVA

Dr. P.K. Meher

Co-Convener, NAAS-YUVA

Date: February 21, 2025;

Time: 17:45-18:30hrs;

Venue: MDP Hall, CABM

Co-Chair I: Dr. Ashok K. Singh Secretary, NAAS	Co-Chair II: Prof. K.M. Maredia Foreign Secretary, NAAS	
Rapporteur I:	Rapporteur II:	
	Topics	Duration
Dr.(Ms.) Haritha Bollinedi Convener, NAAS-YUVA	Context Setting	10 min
Presentation by NAAS-YUVA Infographic Competition Winners		
First Prize Winner Ms. Simranjot Kaur Punjab Agricultural University		05 min
Second Prize Winner Mr. Dhanraj D. Indian Institute of Agriculture Research - Mega University, Hyderabad Hub		05 min
Third Prize Winner Sh. Pritam Roy ICAR-National Dairy Research Institute, Karnal		05 min
Discussion and Interaction with Competition Finalists		10 min
Co-chairs Remarks		10 min



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Students' Elocution Contest

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Convener

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Students' Job Fair

Date: February 21, 2025; Time: 14:30-16:30 hrs; Venue: CABM-EDP

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Startup Track

Date: February 21, 2025; Time: 09:00-13:30 hrs; Venue: Conf. Hall NCT

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Exhibition

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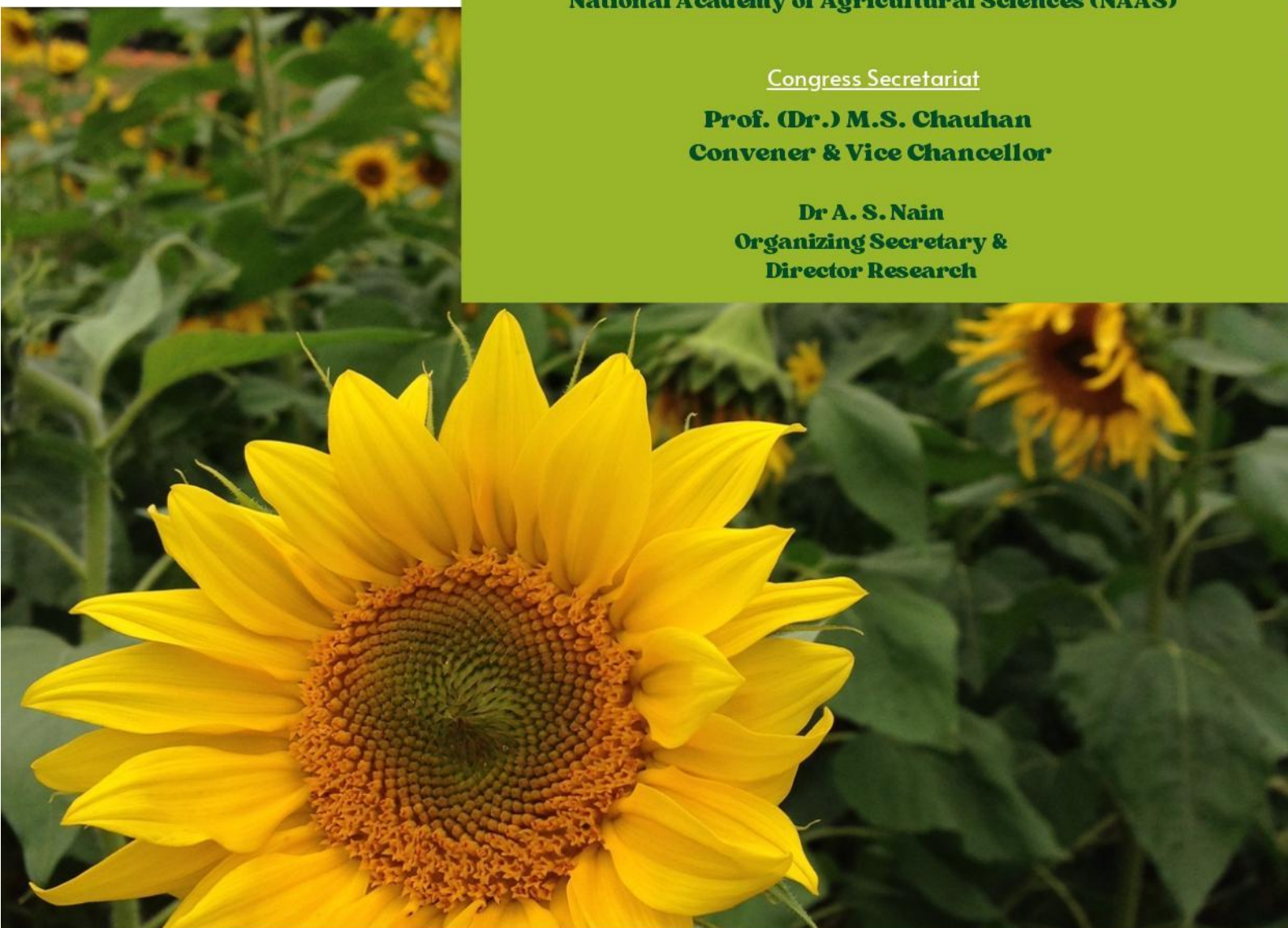
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