

25th NATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON PLANTATION CROPS

*Building Smart and Resilient Farming and Systems Approaches
for Prosperity in Plantation Crops Sector*

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Venue: ICAR-Indian Institute of Oil Palm Research, Pedavegi, Eluru, Andhra Pradesh



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Plantation Crops Symposium (**PLACROSYM**) was started in 1972 with an objective of providing a common forum for interaction among Scientists, platform for exchanging ideas and technologies and put a collective thought for holistic development of plantation crops sector. It also offers an excellent opportunity for budding scientists to acquire scientific knowledge and modern technologies through inspiring talks by experts and participation in thought provoking discussions over plantation crops during the symposium.

The 25th Biennial Symposium on Plantation Crops will be held at ICAR-Indian Institute of Oil Palm Research, Pedavegi during 12-14 December 2023. It is a matter of honour that the momentous Silver Jubilee Symposium is being hosted by ICAR-IIOPR. The major constraints in plantation crops sector are climatic hazards, prevalence of pests, rapid deterioration of soil health, high cost of labour and other inputs. Therefore, there is an immense need to look into and find out ways for mitigating the problems and doubling farmers' income from the existing situation. This three days symposium is based on the theme of "Building Smart and Resilient Farming and Systems Approaches for Prosperity in Plantation Crops Sector".


A Quick Glance over Plantation Crops

Plantation crops *i.e.*, arecanut, cashew, cocoa, coconut, coffee, oil palm, spices, tea and rubber are diversified crops with industrial importance. Among horticultural crops, plantation crops can produce higher biomass per unit area resulting in efficient utilization of natural resources and highly amenable to organic/natural farming. These crops are highly remunerative bringing prosperity among growers in coastal and high rainfall areas of the country. Though area under plantation crops sector is about 2% but it plays a vital role in economy of the country by contributing nearly 75% foreign exchange earnings of the country.



About Host Institute and Place

Venue is Indian Institute of Oil Palm Research located at historical village Pedavegi—erstwhile capital of Vengi Kingdom and it is 15km away from Eluru town situated along Eluru to Jangareddygudem road. Eluru is a headquarters of Eluru district in coastal Andhra Pradesh. It is agri-horticulture based district which is leading in cultivation of oil palm, mango and cocoa in the



state. Crops like cashew, arecanut, Java long pepper, black pepper and nutmeg are spreading at faster rate in the district. Eluru is well connected by road, rail and air and it is just 43 km away from Vijayawada airport and 110 km from Rajahmundry airport. Weather is mild and pleasant during December month. Places like Kolleru Lake (17km) known for aquaculture and migration of birds from Siberia during winter, Goddess Kanaka Durga Temple (64km) and Dwaraka Thirumala Temple (35km) are the major tourist attractions nearby Eluru.




Technical Sessions

Each session includes invited/lead papers and contributory papers (oral/poster)

- Genetic resources and crop improvement
- Molecular and biotechnological approaches
- Resource use efficient technologies and systems approaches
- Climate resilient technologies
- Farm mechanization
- Plant health management strategies
- Value addition and product diversification
- TOT, Digitalization and ICT
- Public and private partnership and policy issues for R & D

Awards

1. ISPC Fellow
 2. Dr. C. S. Venkataram Memorial Award
 - Distinguished Scientist Award for the contribution in the field of plantation crops research and development
 - Best Original Research Paper published in the Journal of Plantation Crops
 - Best Original Research Paper presented at PLACROSYM
 3. Dr. R. L. Narasimha Swamy Award
 - Best Poster presented at PLACROSYM
 - Second Original Research Paper presented at PLACROSYM
 4. All Indian Betelnut Federation Award
 - Best Arecanut Scientist
 - Best Arecanut Farmer
 5. Mehta Foundation Innovative Planter Award
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6. Dr. Muthuswamy Anandaraj Award for the best research paper in Crop Protection presented at PLACROSYM
7. Dr. D. Jaganathan Award for the best research paper in Social Sciences presented at PLACROSYM
8. Dr. G. Venkateswaran Award for the best research paper in Post Harvest Technology presented at PLACROSYM
9. Dr. KUK Nampoothiri Award for the best oral presentation in Crop Improvement Session presented at PLACROSYM
10. Dr. M. R. Manikantan, Best Scientist Award for the best research and extension work carried out in coconut and its intercrops

Submission of Abstracts/Full Papers

Abstracts (500 words) and full length papers (10 pages) as per Journal of Plantation Crops (visit www.indsocplantationcrops.in for guidelines) can be sent through e-mail: placrosym25@gmail.com. Abstracts/papers of registered authors will be published in Book of Abstracts and regular issue of Journal of Plantation Crops (after peer review), respectively.

Oral & Poster Presentations

Time slot for oral presentation is 10 minutes and 5 minutes for discussion. Power point presentations have to be handed over to session convener an hour before commencement of session.

Content in posters must be precise in bullet form and self explanatory in a poster of 90cm width and 120cm length. They should be displayed on assigned boards during the respective sessions for evaluation.

Important Dates

Submission of abstracts	: 30 September 2023
Submission of full length papers	: 15 October 2023
Booking of space for exhibition	: 31 October 2023
Early registration	: 15 October 2023
Late registration	: 20 November 2023

Registration Fee

Category	Early Registration (15 Oct, 2023)	Late Registration (20 Nov, 2023)	Spot Registration
ISPC members	₹ 5000	₹ 5500	₹ 6000
Non ISPC members	₹ 6000	₹ 6500	₹ 7000
Farmers/Students/SRF	₹ 2000	₹ 2200	₹ 2500

Accommodation

Accommodation in hotels (tariff rates in below table) can be booked on payment basis through request by e-mail: placrosym25@gmail.com

Type	Tariff (₹/day)
Suite	4500-5000
Deluxe	2500-3000
Standard	2000-2500
Non AC	1500-2000

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Sponsorship Category	Amount (₹ lakhs)	Free Registration (No of delegates)	Free Advertisement in Souvenir
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Silver	03	03	Half page
Bronze	02	02	Half page

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Exhibition Stalls : 3m x 3m x 3m space - ₹ 25000; 3m x 6m x 3m space - ₹ 50000

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