





**INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE
ON
“SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE PRODUCTION FOR FOOD,
NUTRITION AND LIVELIHOOD SECURITY: A CHALLENGE
FOR ASIAN FARMERS”**

September 25-27, 2019 ; Venue: Pattaya, Thailand

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	Pragati International Scientific Research Foundation (PISRF), Meerut, India
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	Indian Association of Soil and Water Conservationist, Dehradun, Uttarakhand





About the conference

The conference aims to focus on sustainable diversified agriculture production systems for food, nutrition and livelihood security of majority of population in this region which is dependent for its sustenance on agriculture. They are resource-poor small land holders belonging to Developing and Least Developed Asian Countries. This conference will bring together the national and international scientific community, policy makers, administrators, agro- industry representatives and other stake holders. The themes and sub themes of the conference are designed to cover all major areas such as diversification in agriculture, sustainable rice cultivation, horticulture /plantation tree/ forest, livestock improvement, fish farming, agricultural engineering innovations etc.

Theme and sub-theme:

I. Sustainable agriculture production for enhancing the livelihood of farmers through integrated farming systems

Sub -Theme

- ✚ Diversifications of agriculture production system
- ✚ Women empowerment through agricultural technological innovations
- ✚ Climatic change impacts on soil, water, bio-resources and bio-diversity
- ✚ Integrated farming systems for increasing income of poor resource farmers
- ✚ Role of improved genotypes for sustainability of agriculture and productivity
- ✚ Role of horticulture and plantation crops for livelihood and nutritional security
- ✚ Application of medicinal biotechnology for livelihood support

II. Sustainable rice production in the Asia-pacific region: Issues and perspectives

Sub - Theme

- ✚ Efficient management of inputs for higher rice productivity
- ✚ Sustainable rice straw management initiatives for different uses
- ✚ Multi-functionality of rice cultivation

III. Natural resource management for climate smart agriculture

Sub -Theme

- ✚ Water resources
- ✚ Soil water conservation techniques and land management
- ✚ Resource conservation technologies (RCTs)
- ✚ Bioengineering with bamboo plantation in arable and non-arable lands
- ✚ Application of applied sciences for sustainable development

IV. Technological interventions through agricultural engineering innovations

Sub -theme

- ✚ Farm Mechanization for small land holders
- ✚ Precision and smart agriculture
- ✚ Post-harvest technology and value addition for food and livelihood security
- ✚ Renewable energy production and management
- ✚ Gender friendly/ergonomically design tools
- ✚ Application of remote sensing and geographical information system in agriculture

V. Options for sustainable livestock and fish production in Asia



- ✚ Productivity enhancement technologies for livestock and their challenges
- ✚ Animal disease control strategies for sustainable animal production
- ✚ Livestock polices and marketing for enhanced income of the smallholder farmers
- ✚ Status and opportunities for fish production in South Asia and South East Asia
- ✚ Potential for freshwater fish & prawn production systems

VI. Shaping of agricultural education system in South East Asia

- ✚ Under Graduate Education Systems
- ✚ Post Graduate Education Systems
- ✚ Scope for Land Grant System Based Agriculture Research, Education & Extensions etc.

- ✚ Presentations on the thematic areas shall be in three categories 1) Invited lectures 2) Contributory oral presentations, and, 3) Contributory poster presentations
- ✚ Pre- conference meeting of committee members is scheduled during 22-24 September, 2019 in Thailand.
- ✚ Post- conference field visits/educational trips on payment basis to some identified live models for agro & allied enterprises/state of art cultivation sites in Thailand and Cambodia will be arranged from 28 September 2019 to 01 October 2019. Delegates/participants may contact the organizers for enlisting their names and payments with respect to post- conference visits.

Venue

The Conference would be held at Pattaya, Thailand.

About Thailand agriculture

In Thailand agriculture, forestry, and fishing contribute to about 10 percent of gross domestic product (GDP) but employ about 39 percent of the workforce. Thailand is one of the world's leading exporter of rice and a major exporter of shrimp. Other agricultural products include coconuts, corn, rubber, soybeans, sugarcane, and tapioca. Agriculture has long been the mainstay of the Thai economy, with abundant natural resources, and the majority of the population engages in agricultural practices. In the 1980s, agriculture--crops, livestock, forestry, and fisheries-- employed about three-quarters of the labor force, and it was estimated that some four-fifths of the total population was dependent on the sector for its livelihood. Most of Thailand's arable land is in the central and eastern part of the country, where rice and other crops are grown on the vast, wet alluvial plains around Bangkok and the Chao Phrava River. About 1.5 percent of Thailand is covered by grasslands and 28.6 percent is occupied by forests and woods. The remainder of the country is covered primarily by mountains. Rice is the staple food crop for most Asians. Asia produces some 90 percent of the world's total supply of rice. Bangkok is located in the south-central part of the country. It has average temperatures around 25-30°C during the period. In Phuket [Thailand's biggest island in the south of the country], temperatures hover around 30°C all year round.

About PISRF

Pragati International Scientific Research Foundation (PISRF), Meerut, India is a registered Trust under 'The Indian Trusts Act, 1882' for research, development and promotion of different agricultural activities for enhancing of food, nutritional and livelihood security of farmers; human resource development through training to the trainers, stakeholders, farmers etc; organizing scientific meetings such as conferences, workshops, seminars etc; empowerment of socially backward women through entrepreneurship specially engaged in agriculture, horticulture, animal husbandry, processing and value addition for their economic growth; livestock improvement programme through improved breeding, nutritional fodder and health of animals' related issues for increasing productivity etc.

How to Reach



Pattaya is one of the popular tourist destinations in Thailand. It is about a two hour road journey from Bangkok, the capital city of Thailand. Bangkok has two international airports, Suvarnabhumi International Airport (BKK) and Don Meunag International Airport (DMK) which are directly connected to many countries.

Visa/Travel Requirements

Foreign nationals require Visa and Passport to enter Thailand. Visa on arrival is available for several countries. Participants are strongly encouraged to apply for E-Visa on Arrival (E-VOA) to save time.

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Research manuscripts are invited from the above mentioned thematic areas electronically. For details, authors may also consult www.pisrf.org.in/guidelines-for-authors. The papers will be reviewed by double-blind peer review system to be published in conference proceedings/edited book with ISBN number by international publisher. Selected research papers will be published in the peer reviewed journals at the nominal cost to be paid by the authors after their acceptance. Authors should indicate one or more of the above listed themes that best describes the topic of the contribution as well as their preference (if any) with respect to the mode of presentation i.e. oral/presentation. However, final decision with respect to presentation is vested with the Technical committee. The similar review process will be binding for both the oral and poster presentations. The program committee will make every effort to satisfy these preferences. It should be submitted as MS Words attachment & E-mailed to pisrf19@gmail.com

Call for Abstract

The abstract should be submitted in English and the content of abstract should be clear, concise and should contain a short introduction, objectives, methods, results and conclusions. The extended summary should not exceed 500 words in 'Times New Roman' of 12 font size; it should include title, authors with presenters name underlined and one email address. It can be submitted from link available www.pisrf.org/abstractsubmission. Accepted abstracts will be published in the book of Abstracts/Souvenir of the Conference.

Poster Presentation

Poster (1 x 1.2 m) should include Title, Name and Affiliation of the Author(s), Short introduction, materials and methods, results and conclusions. Presenter's name should be underlined and the email address given.

Registration Fee*

✚ Foreign Delegates	:	INR 15,000/-
✚ Member (India)	:	INR 10,000/-
✚ Students/JRF/SRF/RA	:	INR 6,000/-
✚ Least Developed Countries	:	INR 8,000/-
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***Flat 20% group discount in the registration fees will be provided to the delegates with 03 or more than 03 members/ participants.**

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✚ Silver	:	INR 200,000/-
✚ Bronze	:	INR 100,000/-

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Registration Fee can be paid through bank draft/multi-city cheque in favour of “Pragati International Scientific Research Foundation Meerut” Axis Bank, A/c - 919020010129220, IFSC code - UTIB0002504, SWIFT code – AXISINBB177, Branch - Pallavpuram, Modipuram, Meerut - 250 110. The fee/sponsorship can be paid through online bank transfer i.e. net banking or NEFT transfer.

Important Dates

- ✚ **Extended Last Date of Abstract Submission: August 16, 2019**
- ✚ Acceptance of Abstract : August 17, 2019
- ✚ Payment of Registration Fee : August 19, 2019
- ✚ Full Length Paper Submission : August 20, 2019
- ✚ Conference Date : September 25 - 27, 2019

Boarding and Lodging

The delegates will be accommodated in the Guest house/ Hotels/ Hostels on payment basis. The accommodation would be available ranging from 30 to 100 USD/day as per requirement. However, the boarding and lodging (double sharing basis) during conference and post conference field visits/education trips facilities may be availed as per following packages.

Package 1: Conference (4 Night/ 5 Days)

	Inclusions	Airfares	Land Arrangements	Tour Cost (INR)
Ex-Delhi	Airfare, 4 Nights/ 5 Days	18000	19900	37900
Ex-Kolkata	Accommodation, All Meals, Conference arrangements, airport transfers and post conference field visits/education trip etc.	11500	19900	31400
Ex-Chennai		12700	19900	32600

Package 2: Conference + Post conference field visit in Thailand (6 Nights/ 7 Days)

	Inclusions	Airfares	Land Arrangements	Tour Cost (INR)
Ex-Delhi	Airfare, 6 Nights/ 7 Days	18500	27400	45900
Ex-Kolkata	Accommodation, All Meals, Conference arrangements, airport transfers and post conference field visits/education trip etc.	14600	27400	42000
Ex-Chennai		11900	27400	39300

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	Inclusions	Airfares	Land Arrangements	Tour Cost (INR)
Ex-Delhi	Airfare, 6 Nights/ 7 Days Accommodation,	18500	31800	50300
Ex-Kolkata	All Meals, Conference arrangements, airport transfers and post conference field visits/education trip etc.	14600	31800	46400
Ex-Chennai		11900	31800	43700

PI. Note: *Registration fee is not included in above packages. The details of registration fee for participation in the conference as per categories wise are given above.

*VISA fee in Thailand is free for Indian & for Cambodia (40 USD) in Cash with two passport sized photo (each case), return air ticket and confirm hotel booking and sufficient fund (approx. 20K per pax.)

International Awards

The following awards will be presented after approval of the Executive Council:

- ✚ **Life Time Achievement Award:** This award will be given to Individual/Company/Organization/Educationists/Entrepreneurs recognition of outstanding contributions in their respective field (age limit above 55 years).
- ✚ **Honorary Fellowship:** Eminent Scientist in recognition of outstanding contributions in his/her field (age limit above 50 years).
- ✚ **Fellowship:** Eminent Scientist in recognition of significant contributions in his/her field.
- ✚ **Distinguished Service/Scientist Award:** Scientist contributed for growth of science, education, society for weaker section people (>45 years)



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- ✦ **Young Scientist Award:** Young scientist award will be given. Candidate below of 40 years are eligible for this award including Faculty/Scientist/Academician etc.
- ✦ **Women Scientist Award:** This award will be given to eminent women scientists/academicians for their outstanding contribution in their respective field.
- ✦ **Best Book Award:** The award will be given to authors/editors of the book who have published in renowned publisher/publication house of national/international repute having wide circulation in many countries in the form of hard and soft copies.
- ✦ **Best Thesis Award:** This award will be given to the outstanding Ph.D. research work.
- ✦ **Innovative Farmer Award:** This award will be given the farmers who are doing the farming in scientific manner for better livelihood security within limited resources.
- ✦ **Best Oral Presentation Award:** Best oral presentation award will be given in each session.
- ✦ **Best Poster Presentation Award:** Best poster presentation award will be given in each theme.

All the interested applicants are advised to apply for awards on-line (www.pisrf.org/conference/awards) or to mail (pisrf19@gmail.com) their professional bio-data along with relevant documents latest by August 15, 2019. The awards will be confirmed by approval of Executive Council.

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One of the major attractions of International Conference will be “**Showcasing of technologies**”. The showcasing shall be a comprehensive display of digitally/physically on agriculture, mechanization, seed sector, food processing, dairy, poultry, livestock, fisheries technology, pesticides, value added sector and any other technologies. This excellent platform will mobilize a wide spectrum of participants from Corporate, Central and State Government Departments, Public Sector Undertakings, NGOs, R&D organizations, Academic & Financial Institutions etc. The Showcasing of technology will be an ideal platform to show their products, services, technologies, strengths to the Eminent scientists, Policy makers, Regulators, Entrepreneurs, Business Representatives, Academicians, Researchers, Students and a large number of progressive farmers from Asian countries. Keeping in view requirement of various organizations in the field agriculture and allied sectors, various sponsorship opportunities have been formulated to maximum your participation. We invite you to participate as sponsor/ exhibitor/ delegate at show casing of technology and be part of this important agricultural event.

Showcasing of Technologies – Space Tariff

	Space Show	Rate (USD)
Multinational companies (MNs)/ Government sector	100 Sq. feet	500
Small Scale Industries / others	100 Sq. feet	300

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