

**NATIONAL SYMPOSIUM
ON
CONNECTING INNOVATIONS IN PLANT BIOLOGY
FOR FOOD AND NUTRITIONAL SECURITY
(November 19th, 2018)**

VENUE : WTC-AUDITORIUM, ICAR-IARI, NEW DELHI
REGISTRATION : 9:30- 10:00 AM

TECHNICAL PROGRAMME

SESSION-I	Time: 10:00-11:30 AM
<p><u>N.B. Das Memorial Lecture</u></p> <p>Chairperson : Prof. V. L. Chopra, Former Member, Planning Commission of India & Former-Secretary (DARE) & Director General (ICAR)</p> <p>Co-chairperson: Dr. M.L. Lodha, Former ICAR-Emeritus Scientist & Ex-Head, Division of Biochemistry, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi</p>	
<p>Title : <i>“A tribute to late Dr. N. B. Das by a former colleague”</i></p> <p>Speaker : Prof. H.K. Das, Former Dean, JNU, New Delhi</p>	
High Tea	Time: 11:30-12:00
SESSION-II	Time: 12:00-13:30
<p>Panel Discussion on "Branching Careers in Biochemistry/Biotechnology: Time for Introspection"</p> <p><u>Co-chairs</u> :</p> <p>Dr. T.R. Sharma, Executive Director, NABI, Mohali (Chandigarh) Dr. R.K. Jain, Dean & JD (Edn.), ICAR-IARI, New Delhi</p> <p>Convener: Dr. Ramcharan Bhattacharya, Professor, ICAR-NRCPB, New Delhi Rapporteur: Dr. Ranjeet Ranjan Kumar, Senior Scientist, ICAR-IARI, N. Delhi</p>	
<p><u>Panelists:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dr. Venkateshwarlu Gudipati, ADG (EQ A&R), ICAR 2. Dr Purnima Sharma, Managing Director, Biotech Consortium India Ltd. (BCIL) 3. Dr. M.V. Rajam, Professor, Department of Genetics., Delhi Univ. 4. Dr. S.K. Khare, Assoc. Dean R&D and Professor of Biochemistry, IIT, Delhi 5. Dr. Deepak Prem, Seed Regulatory Lead, Monsanto, India 6. Dr. Veda Krishnan, Scientist, Division of Biochemistry, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi 	

Lunch Break	Time: 13:30-14:30
Annual General Body Meeting	Time: 14:30–15:15
Poster Session (Poster Evaluation)	Time: 14:30-16:00 (Time: 15:15-16:00)
SESSION-III	Time: 16:00- 17:45
<p>A. Lead Lectures Co-chairs :</p> <p>Prof. K.C. Bansal, Area Convener, Nano Biotechnology Centre, (TERI) & Former Director, NBPGR, N. Delhi</p> <p>Prof. Rajat Sandhir, Professor, Department of Biochemistry, Panjab University, Chandigarh</p> <p>Convener: Dr. Aruna Tyagi, Professor, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi Rapporteur: Dr. Archana Singh, Principal Scientist, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi</p>	Time: 16:00- 17:30
<p><i>Theme Area 1 (Abiotic and Biotic Stress Management)</i></p> <p>Dr. C. Viswanathan, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi Topic: ABA Receptors: Progress and Prospects for Enhancing Biotic and Abiotic Stress Tolerance of Crops</p> <p><i>Theme Area 2 (Nutritional Quality Enhancement)</i></p> <p>Dr. Sudesh Kumar Yadav, CIAB, Mohali Topic: Biotechnology and bioprocessing for nutritional quality improvement and functional foods</p> <p><i>Theme Area 3 (Plant Developmental Biology)</i></p> <p>Dr. Aashish Ranjan, NIPGR, New Delhi Topic: Optimizing plant developmental features for food security: A case study with photosynthesis</p>	
Concluding Remarks and Prize distribution	Time: 17:30- 17:45
High Tea	Time: 17:45- 18:00