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Theme: Technological Interventions for Boosting Horticultural Production

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Background

The horticultural science, deals with a number of important commodities having vast potential for nutrition and health for human beings, socio-economic upliftment, women empowerment, and for earning foreign exchange through export, has emerged as a very promising discipline in total agricultural development in India. By surpassing the total foodgrain production long back, horticultural science alone contributes more than 30 per cent of the total agricultural GDP in our country. Though a number of breakthroughs have resulted in enhancing the productivity and production per unit area in many horticultural crops, there is still a need to develop new varieties/hybrids, technologies, and exploration of underutilized crops, and also to explore the untapped potential of many horticultural crops. Keeping in view, the Society for Horticultural Research and Development (SHRD), Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh, India, in collaboration with S K N Agriculture University, Jobner, Rajasthan, India, has decided to convene the **3rd Indian Horticulture Summit-cum-International Conference-2024** to explore new dimensions in research and developmental activities through the sound network of the National Agricultural Research System across the country and global platforms engaged in horticultural research and development.

The Summit will provide a valuable platform to all stakeholders, including eminent scientists, teachers, researchers, students, farmers, entrepreneurs, policy-makers etc. to interact and share their noble experience during Summit. This platform will provide an excellent opportunity to update with the latest research and developmental activities to all stakeholders. The stakeholders will be enriched with advanced technological know-how in their respective fields. The **3rd Indian Horticulture Summit-cum-International Conference-2024** with a theme, '**Technological Intervention for Boosting Horticultural Production**' will be convened at the Rajasthan Agricultural Research Institute (S K N Agriculture University, Jobner), Durgapura Campus, Jaipur, Rajasthan, India, from **February 1-3, 2024**, in collaboration with Division of Vegetable Science, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi; Gautam Kalloo Research and Development Foundation, Varanasi; Dr Y.S.R. Horticultural University, West Godawari District, Andhra Pradesh; and ICAR-Directorate of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants, Anand, Gujarat.

Objectives

The Summit-2024 will encompass following objectives:

- Exploring and utilizing the diversity of horticultural crops having enormous therapeutic and nutraceutical values.
- Diversification in horticulture in non-traditional areas.
- Technologies for enhancing farmers' income through horticulture.
- Strategies for crop improvement through advanced tools and techniques.
- Technological interventions in crop health management.
- Climate-resilient horticultural technologies for sustainable production.
- Exploitation of horticultural crops for health and nutritional security.
- Wasteland development through potential horticultural crops.
- Mitigating climate change through horticulture.
- Eco-friendly biotic stress management in horticultural crops.
- Organic and natural horticultural production.

Summit Themes

The Summit will focus on following themes:

- **Germplasm resources, genetic diversity, exploration, evaluation, conservation, and utilization:** Germplasm resources for special traits, development of genetic stocks for biotic and abiotic stresses and quality traits (nutrition and processing), pre-breeding, rootstock breeding, and harnessing potential crops to diversify agricultural system and enhance food security.
- **Crop improvement through conventional and genomic approaches:** Genetic improvement through conventional breeding, genetic mapping and genome editing, molecular markers for crop improvement, OMICS and bio-informatics technologies for more precise and efficient development of improved crop varieties with desired traits.
- **Advances in production technology of horticultural crops:** Innovations and adoption of breakthroughs in horticultural crop production, challenges and opportunities in organic production of horticultural crops for overall development and success of the horticulture industry.
- **Post-harvest management, processing, value-addition and export of horticultural crops:** Post-harvest management of perishable commodities through emerging technologies like nano-encapsulation, smart packaging, value-added products, minimal processing, thermal and non-thermal processing, functional foods and waste utilization, export possibilities of horticultural commodities through Agri Export Zones (AEZs) to enhance profitability, reduce waste, and contribute to economic development.
- **Clean planting material and quality seed production using modern techniques:** Production of clean planting material and high-quality seeds of horticultural crops including advanced techniques such as tissue culture, micropropagation, hybrid seed production, genetic testing, and seed treatment methods to meet the growing demand nationwide contributing to improved yield, quality, and overall productivity.
- **Precision farming and protected cultivation:** Site-specific crop management, integrated resource management through precision horticulture, drone technology, GIS, GPS, nutrient film technique, drip fertigation, soil-less cultivation such as hydroponics and aeroponics, challenges and opportunities in protected cultivation, grafting technology for biotic and abiotic stress management to optimize resource use, improve crop performance, and capitalize on market opportunities for sustainable and efficient production, mitigating environmental impacts and ensuring food security.
- **Advances in plant health management:** Integrated management of pest and diseases through modern approaches including diagnostics for in-field disease diagnosis, new molecules and botanicals, biocontrol for enhancing productivity and quality, and management of pesticide residues for production of high-quality and safe horticultural crops.
- **Climate smart horticulture:** Canopy management, high-density planting, utilization of rootstocks for managing biotic and abiotic stresses, recent developments in biofertilizers, nano-urea, fertigation and open-field hydroponics, organic horticulture, conservation horticulture, zero-budget farming, deficit irrigation, agronomic biofortification through multi-micronutrient foliar fertilization in horticultural crops.

Stakeholders, farmers, FPOs/entrepreneurship and startups: Farmers' producer organization for enhancing income of resource-poor farmers, major challenges and issues in startups, opportunities in the horticulture business, and entrepreneurship development contributing to poverty alleviation, rural development, and overall economic prosperity.

Participants

The Summit is open to all stakeholders interested in Horticultural Research and Development and related sectors, namely representatives from both public and private sectors, central and state government ministries, scientists and students from agricultural institutes and universities, farmers, representatives from international agencies, farmers' associations, agri-input associations (like seeds, fertilizers, plant-protection chemicals, growers association, NGOs etc. The deliberation of the Summit shall be in both English and Hindi.

Awards of the SHRD

The Society recognizes the contribution of R&D personnel in different fields for the development of Horticultural Science and Horticulture Sector as such in the country. Therefore, the SHRD has instituted various awards in different fields which are as follows:

- **Dr Gautam Kalloo Award** for Excellence in Horticultural Research
- **Dr Kirti Singh Memorial Award** for Best Vegetable Scientist
- **Lifetime Achievements Award** in R & D in Horticultural Sciences
- **SHRD Best Teacher Award** in Horticulture
- **Leadership Excellence Award** in Horticultural Research
- **Distinguished Horticultural Scientist Award**
- **Outstanding Horticultural Scientist Award**
- **Outstanding Woman Horticultural Scientist Award**
- **Young Horticultural Scientist Award**
- **Honorary Fellow** of the SHRD
- **Fellow of the SHRD**
- **SHRD Best Thesis Award** (Ph.D and M.Sc.)
- **Best Research Paper Award** (*Current Horticulture*)
- **Best Reviewer Award** (*Current Horticulture*)
- **Shri Kamala Rai Memorial Best Innovative Farmer Award** in Horticulture
- **Chaudhary Gangasharan Tyagi Memorial Best Farmer/ Entrepreneurship Award** in Horticulture

All awards will be decided by the high-profile committees.

Applications for awards along with relevant biodata should be submitted on www.currenthorticulture.com. The last date for submitting application for award is 10.01.2024. (For guidelines, please visit our website: www.currenthorticulture.com).

Presentation

The Summit will cover lead, oral and poster presentations in each session.

Lead / Invited Papers: Lead papers on specific topics highlighting the central theme of each session will be invited by the organizing committee from senior research workers and on the basis of suggestions received. This slot is reserved for those scientists known for their scientific intellect. Speakers of different sessions are requested to review the national and international conditions and suggest future R&D of Horticulture in India.

The extended abstracts for lead/invited papers (about 2 pages) are required to be submitted within a fortnight of request, while the full-length papers will be required to be submitted latest for publication of proceedings and release during the inaugural session.

Oral Presentations: Both members and non-members of SHRD within India and abroad shall be considered for oral presentation subject to the relevance of the title and experience of the scientist related to the subject to the presentations shall be state-of-the-art report.

Poster Presentations: The researchers/students are invited to submit abstracts (max two as senior registered author) relating to broad theme areas of the summit, which would be peer reviewed and presented as poster papers in the three-day event. Abstract(s) of only registered authors will be published.

Best oral and poster presentation awards will be given in each session.

Field Visits

There will be field visits to nearby places for scientific interaction.

Abstract

The abstract should be prepared in MS word not exceeding 250 words. It must contain a clear title, name and affiliation of the authors. The name of the presenting author should be underlined and e-mail should be given at the end. There should not be any sub-headings, figures, tables or references in the abstract. The detailed specifications for preparing the poster paper (size 4½' x 3'), would be mailed to corresponding authors whose abstracts are accepted for presentation. The abstract should be submitted online (www.currenthorticulture.com).

Important Dates

Last date for receiving abstract(s)	: 05 th January 2024
Last date for sending acceptance letter	: 15 th January 2024
Last date for sending full length paper (lead/invited)	: 15 th January 2024
Last date for sending the registration fee	: 25 th January 2024

Registration fee for Participants

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About Jaipur

Planned by Vidyadhar Bhattacharya, Jaipur holds the distinction of being one of the best planned city of India. Renowned globally for its coloured gems, the capital city of Rajasthan combines the allure of its ancient history with all the advantages of a metropolis. The bustling modern city is one of the three corners of the golden triangle that includes Delhi, Agra and Jaipur. The story goes that in 1876, the Prince of Wales visited India on a tour. Since the colour pink was symbolic of hospitality, Maharaja Ram Singh of Jaipur painted the

entire city pink. The pink that colours the city makes for a marvellous spectacle to behold. Jaipur rises up majestically against the backdrop of the forts Nahargarh, Jaigarh and Garh Ganesh Temple. Jaipur traces back its origins to 1727 when it was established by Jai Singh II, the Raja of Amber. He shifted his capital from Amber to the new city because of the rapidly-growing population and an increasing water scarcity. Noted architect Vidyadhar Bhattacharya used the established principles of Vastu Shastra to build the city.

The venue is well connected with road, train and air. You can reach Jaipur through major modes of transportation like air, train and road. Jaipur is easily accessible from all major cities of India.

Accommodation

There is a limited guest house accommodation available in the university and neighboring guest houses. However, very good hotels are available for which special rates for stay and breakfast have been negotiated. Correspondence for accommodation should be directed to our team which will be intimated.

Sponsorships

The organizers seek support from different stakeholders, especially the government and non-governmental organizations to make this academic event, a grand success. The sponsorships in the following categories will be welcomed.

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The SHRD has organized 1st Indian Horticulture Summit-2020 at Chitrakoot from 14-16 February 2020 and the 2nd Indian Horticulture Summit-2022 during 27-29 April 2022 at Navsari Agricultural University, Navsari, Gujarat. Those events were very successful scientific event.

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