The fee includes admittance to all sessions, a copy of abstract book and conference kit, lunches, tea and conference dinner.

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CLIMATE
Weather of Patna during December is normally cold with day temperature around 10-25°C. Woolen clothing may be required in day and night time.

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ORGANIZATION FORM
National Conference on Agroforestry Systems for Water Stressed Areas
19th & 20th December 2017

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BACKGROUND

Bihar is predominantly an agricultural state where the land is a major resource. About 86% of the total population of the state depends on agriculture. However, food grain production per ha during the last few decades has stagnated. Thus, there is an urgent need to boost productivity per unit area per unit time. The solution to this problem lies in closing the gap between actual and potential yields. Furthermore, due to the prevalence of fertilizer application, the cropland in Bihar has been adversely affected and needs tremendous amount of work to restore soil structure, fertility and function, possibly through encouraging organic farming. This in effect would confer the advantage of sustainability. Agroforestry not only meets the day to day needs of the people at their door steps but also enrich the soil in the form of organic matter. Today, the growing desire of rural inhabitants is to increase productivity and to raise their income levels by way of practicing all sorts of combinations like Agroforestry, Horticulture, Animal husbandry, etc. These practices in Ganges plains of Bihar can substantially help in meeting such demands.

In the course of implementing agroforestry capacity building project it is felt that few problems needs R & D attention. Bihar is divided into two parts, North Bihar and South Bihar. The problem with these two parts are different; in North Bihar the large areas are flood affected, while in South Bihar, there is a huge shortage of water and often affected by severe drought. So it is important to address these problems by adopting efficacious agroforestry systems.


The conference shall deliberate on the issues in the thematic areas across three technical sessions. Each session will have panel of experts representing scientists, farmers, policy planners, industries and field functionaries. Subject in each session will be introduced by identified experts and discussion will be moderated to arrive at logical conclusion. The participants will be given 7-10 minutes time to showcase their work, ideas and views with power point presentations. To encourage the participants, the innovations of an individual will be presented in the form of oral / poster presentations. The experts of specific fields in the country will be requested to give invited lectures on specific topics. The organizers have immense pleasure in inviting you to this national conference, to provide your valuable insights and exchange of knowledge for developing strategic recommendations and a way forward. Once again we solicit your kind cooperation in addressing emerging issues in the agroforestry especially in water stressed areas.

THEMES

1. Agroforestry systems as diversified land use option for water stressed areas
   - Innovative options in agroforestry systems and practices, including fishery and commercial crops
   - Ecologically viable options for dryland and wetland areas
   - Integration of new agroforestry options for water deficit and flood prone areas

2. Technological solutions to water stressed areas for productivity enhancement
   - Innovative agri-silvicultural practices
   - Breeding strategies and genetic improvement
   - Protection strategies against biotic and abiotic stresses

3. Addressing livelihood, social and economic issues
   - Economics of different agroforestry systems
   - Utilization and value addition of agroforestry produce
   - Marketing chain development and policy issues

EXPECTED OUTCOME

- Understanding advanced tools and techniques for practicing agroforestry in water stressed areas, future challenges and solution strategies
- Envisioning the technological changes and innovations which can succeed in achieving the goals, ensuring enhanced income to the farmers
- Identification of technologies for addressing the challenges to improve the productivity of resources for improving profitability
- Developing future road map for marketing strategies and value chain of agroforestry produce

IMPORTANT DATES

- Receipt of Abstract : 30th November, 2017
- Acceptance notification : 05th December, 2017
- Receipt of Registration : 8th December, 2017
- Full Paper submission : 15th December, 2017
- Conference dates : 19th & 20th December, 2017
- Submission of Abstracts : 19th & 20th December, 2017

The organizing committee of the conference cordially invites papers on the above topics in the thematic areas for consideration in oral/poster presentations under respective technical sessions during the conference. Abstract of paper must be submitted not exceeding 300 words, neatly typed on Times New Roman with 12 size font including the title, authors name, affiliation and key words. Abstracts may be submitted to the organizing secretary preferably by e-mail (conf.aswsa.patra@gmail.com, alternative email- aditya@icfre.org) by 30th November, 2017.

Full Paper

Authors whose abstracts are accepted either for oral or poster presentations need to submit full paper latest by 15th December, 2017. Manuscripts should be typed in MS WORD using Times New Roman font (12 sizes) and 1.5 line spacing. The paper should contain a running title, name/names of authors, their affiliations, introduction, materials and methods, results and discussions, conclusions and references. Figures and tables are to be integrated in the text.

Conference program

The scientific program consists of invited lectures, oral and poster presentations.

Oral presentation

Among the abstracts accepted, selected papers will be considered for oral presentations under each of the technical sessions. Each oral presentation would be allotted 7-10 minutes for presentation including interactions.

Poster presentation

The other contributed papers will be selected for poster sessions organized concurrently to the concerned sessions at specified time. The presenter should prepare poster of 90 cm x 120 cm dimension and organizer will provide panels for the presentation. The poster should be informative, clear and attractive. Captions should be legible from a distance of 1-2 m. Posters sent by mail will not be accepted.

CONFERENCE VENUE

Conference Hall, Aranya Bhawan, Shahid Pir Ali Khan Marg (Riding Road) Patna-14

ACCOMODATION

Good quality budget hotels and star accommodations are available in Patna on affordable costs. Accommodation will be arranged in hotels on payment basis as per request.

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