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INDIAN PHYTOPATHOLOGICAL SOCIETY

National Conference

Plant Health for Food Security: Threats and Promises

February 1-3, 2024

Venue:
ICAR-Indian Institute of Sugarcane Research
Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh

**Call for Registration &
Abstracts**



Important Dates to Remember

Abstract Submission
September 15, 2023 - January 15, 2024
Early Bird Registration
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For more information:

<https://conference.ipdis.org/national/lucknow>



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INVITATION

We are pleased to invite you to participate in the national conference “**Plant Health for Food Security: Threats and Promises**”, to be held during **February 1-3, 2024** at **ICAR-Indian Institute of Sugarcane Research (IISR), Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh**. The event is organized by ICAR-IISR in collaboration with Indian Phytopathological Society and is aimed at bringing together researchers, practitioners, students, farmers, NGOs, and agriculturists from across the country to discuss the current advancements, challenges, and opportunities in Plant Pathology. As organizing team, we believe that your expertise and experience in the field of Plant Pathology will be valuable contributions to the conference. Your presence will also provide opportunities for networking, collaboration, and engagement with participants, industry partners, and stakeholders. The conference will feature keynote speeches, plenary sessions, oral presentations, and poster sessions on important issues of Plant Pathology, including emerging plant diseases, host plant resistance, innovative diagnostic tools, novel disease management strategies, climate change impacts, and sustainable agriculture. We believe this event will provide a platform for exchanging ideas, disseminating research findings, and promoting academic and professional growth in Plant Pathology.

We will be honoured with your gracious participation in the conference. Please find attached the registration form and other relevant details about the event. In case of any queries or any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

PREAMBLE

Plant pathology plays a significant role in ensuring food security and environmental sustainability, especially in the face of increasing global serious concerns regarding plant insect pests and diseases under climate change scenario. The rich heritage of ICAR-Indian Institute of Sugarcane Research, Lucknow in nurturing the science of Plant Pathology, with esteemed scientists like Dr. Kishan Singh, Dr. V.P. Agnihotri, Dr. S.R. Mishra, and Dr. O.K. Sinha, has contributed significantly to both basic and applied aspects of the field. Their research contributions in plant disease resistance, disease epidemiology, thermo-therapy, bio-control, molecular diagnostics, and IPMs have gained recognition worldwide. The Institute is organizing a national conference on “**Plant Health for Food Security: Threats and Promises**” during **1-3 February, 2024**, which will provide a much-needed vibrant platform with convergence of all the stakeholders from academics, industry, policymakers and farming community across the country to share their views and experiences on national and global issues on plant diseases and their management. The conference will facilitate insightful discussions, foster collaborations, and showcase initiatives for profitable and sustainable agriculture. Addressing the complex issues surrounding plant health, we strive to pave the way for a resilient and thriving plant ecosystem that supports both human welfare and environmental sustainability. Join us at this conference to contribute to the collective effort of safeguarding plant health, ensuring food security, and promoting sustainable agricultural practices. Together, we can explore the threats to plant health and embrace the promises of innovative solutions in Plant Pathology.

ABOUT THE SOCIETY

The “Indian Phytopathological Society (IPS)” is a professional forum, promoting the cause of Plant Pathology. It is the third-largest society of plant pathologists in the world. The society was established on February 28, 1947, in the division of Mycology and Plant Pathology, the then Imperial Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi. The Society provides an international platform to advance the modern concept of plant health management in the agricultural, urban, and silvi-pastoral systems. It strives to provide information on the latest developments and research advances in the area of plant health science through its official journal the



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“*Indian Phytopathology*” (Springer), and exchange information on plant health with the scientific community, public, policymakers, industries, etc. It provides opportunities for scientific communication, collaboration, and professional development. The society organizes national and international conferences, symposia, and seminars on major topics of Plant Pathology. IPS is one of the largest professional societies with ~2500 members across more than 50 countries. It includes research scientists, teachers, extension professionals, students, technicians, agricultural field representatives, and industry personnel.

ABOUT THE ICAR-IISR, LUCKNOW, UTTAR PRADESH

The Indian Institute of Sugarcane Research (IISR), Lucknow was established in 1952 by the erstwhile Indian Central Sugarcane Committee for conducting research on fundamental and applied aspects of sugarcane culture as well as to coordinate the research work done on this crop in different states of the country. The Government of India took over the institute from the Indian Central Sugarcane Committee on 1st January, 1954. On April 1, 1969, it was transferred to the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), New Delhi along with other central agricultural research institutes.

HOW TO REACH THE ICAR-IISR, LUCKNOW, UTTAR PRADESH

The Institute is situated 4.8 km from Lucknow railway station (Charbagh), 8 km from Alambagh bus station, and 12 km from Chaudhary Charan Singh International Airport Lucknow at Rai Bareli Road (26.56°N and 80.52°E) at 111 m above mean sea level. Distance from New Delhi is about 500 km and well connected to all major cities of the country.

CLIMATE

The climate of the location is subtropical semi-arid. The summer season, spanning from mid-March to mid-June, is hot and dry with mercury exceeding 40°C quite frequently in the recent past. The winter season starts from mid-November and is extremely chill with the mercury touching about 1°C at times. The long-term average minimum temperature for November, December, January, and February are 11.5, 7.3, 7.0, and 9.7°C.

THEMATIC SESSIONS

1. Detection, Diagnosis, Pathogen Diversity and Evolution of Plant Pathogens
 2. Disease Management: Biological Control Agent, Microbiome
 3. Host Pathogen Interaction, Mechanism of Disease Development and Interactomics
 4. Genetics, Genomics, Virulence and Ecology of Plant Pathogens
 5. Breeding for Disease Resistance: Molecular Breeding and Genome Editing
 6. Climate Change, Multi-Stress Tolerance, Epidemiology, Forecasting & Monitoring and Crop Loss Assessment
 7. New Generation Molecules, Pesticide Residue, Nano-Formulation
 8. Taxonomy, Systemics and Identification of Plant Pathogens & Mushroom Technology
 9. Sanitary, Phytosanitary, Quarantine regulations and Issues in India
 10. Entrepreneurship, Industry, Farmers Scientists: Smart Agriculture
 11. Artificial Intelligence and Mechanization for Plant Health Management
 12. Interdisciplinary Approaches in Plant Health Management
 13. Integrated Management of Red Rot in Sugarcane under Sub-tropical Condition
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CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Submission of abstract for oral/poster presentation

Abstract (250-300 words excluding, title, name, and affiliation) for the conference should be submitted through online mode only (<https://conference.ipsdis.org/national/lucknow>). Please contact the organizing secretary (Email: ipsannconf2024@gmail.com) if you don't receive confirmation about the receipt of your abstract within 10 days. The Scientific Programme Committee reserves the right to edit/reject any abstracts if required. Abstract(s) will be printed only after receiving the registration fee. A maximum of two abstracts by each participant will be accepted as first author. Please underline and bold the presenter's name and mention the presenting author's email ID.

REGISTRATION FEE

The details of the registration fee are given below. The online Registration at the conference website is mandatory for the participating delegates (<https://conference.ipsdis.org/national/lucknow>).

	Early bird registration (till 15th January 2024)	On spot/late (1st February, 2024)	International delegates*
IPS Members	5,000.00	6,000.00	USD 100
Non-Members	5,000.00	7,000.00	USD 150
Students/RA/SRF**	2,000.00	3,000.00	USD 50
Corporate	10,000.00	15,000.00	USD 200
Accompanying person (spouse & children) - without conference kits	3,000.00	4,000.00	USD 50

*Equivalent to the prevailing exchange rate of Indian currency

**Students/Research scholars/Research Associates in Education Institutions should submit an eligibility document duly endorsed by the Head of the Department accompanied by a photocopy of the ID Card.

***Group registration of more than five delegates from same institutions will get concession in registration fee

Registration can also be made via UPI/internet banking using the following details:

Name of the Account Holder	IPSANNCONF2024
Name of the Bank	State Bank of India
Branch address	ICAR-IISR, Lucknow, 226002, Uttar Pradesh
Account Number	42028976749
IFS Code	SBIN0010343

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Use this QR Code
to make the payment

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

APS Travel Sponsorship for Ph.D. Students

APS Travel Sponsorship for students has been instituted by the IPS. The purpose of this award is to encourage Plant Pathology students pursuing a doctoral degree in India, who are members of IPS, to attend the American Phytopathological Society (APS) Annual Meeting or other APS approved meetings, if deemed appropriate by the IPS and APS Foundation Board. The award has been established with contributions from plant pathologists of Indian origin. Students will compete at the zonal and national level competitions in India and the awardee will be selected from the top-ranking student presenters at the national level competitions.

The terms and conditions for participating in APS meeting are as follows:

1. The fund will be reimbursed to the awardee directly by APS for return airfare from India to the meeting venue, accommodation and incidentals.
2. The awardee is expected to bear the cost of meeting registration.
3. There will be no financial liability to the IPS.
4. All the contestants/recipients should be members of the Society during the year of the presentation.
5. The contestants will have to submit a brief biodata, certificate furnishing the age and proof of pursuing Ph.D. (First to Third year only) alongwith a short note (not exceeding one page) stating how participation in the APS meeting will help in the achievement of their professional goals.
6. The award will be given to the best paper presented in the Annual Meeting of APS.
7. The awards will be judged by a committee appointed for the purpose and their decision will be final.
8. The award will be given only to the Ph.D. student presenting the paper.
9. The time allocated for the presentation of the paper is 15 minutes.
10. In-service candidates are not eligible for this APS travel award.

Prof. M.J. Narasimhan Merit Academic Award

The Zonal Chapter should organize a contest among the zonal members during the Zonal Chapter's Meeting for preliminary selection of contestants. Only two names from each Zonal Chapter will be recommended by Zonal President for the final contest to be held during Annual Meeting of the Society. The age limit for the contestant would be 35 years. The selected contestant will provide an abstract upto 250 words alongwith brief biodata to the Secretary, Indian Phytopathological Society through Zonal President by **January 31, 2024**. The Society will award a medal to award recipient and Commendation Certificate to other contestants. Society will publish the paper of awardee in *Indian Phytopathology*. The award recipient must submit full-length paper (as per IPS guidelines) for its publication in the journal *Indian Phytopathology*. There is no restriction of the age of co-author, if any. The paper should be submitted online (<https://www.editorialmanager.com/ippj/default1.aspx>).

Prof. M.J. Narasimhan Merit Academic Award contest shall be organized during Annual Meeting of the Society. The contestants have to furnish the following certificate:

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

It is to be certified that the paper entitled "....." presented for Prof. M.J. Narasimhan Merit Academic Award Contest for the year (2023) pertains to the major work done by the candidate (Name of the candidate). It is further certified that the work has not been published and presented for any other award till date and contestant is below the age of 35 years and is a member of the society.

Signature of the student

Guide/Advisor of the student

Forwarded by the Zonal President/ Councillor

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SPONSORSHIP/EXHIBITION

A world class exhibition will be held concurrently in the conference sessions, showcasing the latest advances and techniques in the science of Plant Pathology. Conference provides an excellent platform to our industry partners to capitalize on their exposure to research scientists, teachers, extension professionals, students, private consultants, technicians, agricultural field representatives, and pest management personnels. The Organizing Committee has developed a range of sponsorship opportunities to suit your marketing goals and maximize delegate exposure.

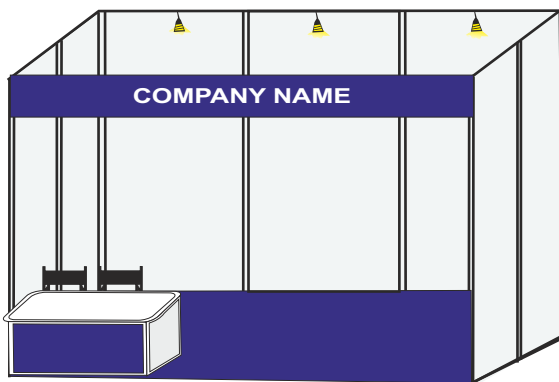
SPONSORSHIP/EXHIBITION OPTIONS

S.No.	Sponsorship Category	No. of Sponsors	Entitlement Benefits	Cost (INR)*
1	Platinum	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Logo branding on the event website Centrespread page color advertisement in all the conference abstract and souvenir book Complimentary branding of main hall in the company name / product and permission to put branding on all days of the conference Complimentary 1 stall (4mX3m) in the exhibition Permission to run company AV on screen of 1-2 minutes during the breaks and before the start of sessions every day (AV to be provided by the sponsoring company) Inclusion of sponsor brochure in delegate kit (material to be provided by the company) Display of logo on all major signages at the venue as Platinum sponsor Four complimentary registrations at the conference 	3 Lakhs
2	Diamond	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Logo branding on the event website Front or back full page inside cover color advertisement in the conference Abstract/Souvenir Book (On First Come First Serve Basis) Complimentary 1 stall (3m X 3m) in the exhibition Inclusion of sponsor brochure in delegate kit (material to be provided by the company) Display of logo on all major signages at the venue as Diamond sponsor Three complimentary registrations at the conference 	2 Lakhs (Each)
3	Gold	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Logo branding on the event website Front or back full page inside cover color advertisement in the conference Abstract/Souvenir Book (On First Come First Serve Basis) Complimentary 1 stall (3m X 3m) in the exhibition Inclusion of sponsor brochure in delegate kit (material to be provided by the company) Display of logo on all major signages at the venue as Gold sponsor Two complimentary registrations at the conference 	1 Lakh (Each)
4	Silver	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Logo branding on the event website Full page color advertisement in the conference Abstract/Souvenir Book (On First Come First Serve Basis) Complimentary 1 stall (3m X 3m) in the exhibition Inclusion of sponsor brochure in delegate kit (material to be provided by the company) One complimentary registrations at the conference 	50,000 (Each)
5	Lunch	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Company logo branding at the lunch area (Special mention on the direction signages as Lunch sponsor) Tent cards on the banquet round tables with company logo (cards to be provided by the company) Complimentary 1 stall (3m X 2m) in the exhibition Announcements mentioning the company during the evening programme Allowed to put 2 Flex Banners (8ft x 4ft) inside the lunch area & 1 at each entry gate of lunch area for branding Two complimentary registrations at the conference 	3 Lakhs (Each)

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6	Gala Banquet Dinner	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Company logo branding at the dinner area (Special mention on the direction signages as Gala Banquet Dinner sponsor) Tent cards on the banquet round tables with company logo (cards to be provided by the company) Complimentary 1 stall (3m X 2m) in the exhibition Announcements mentioning the company during the evening programme Allowed to put 1 Flex Banner (8ft x 4ft) inside the Gala Banquet Dinner area & 1 at each entry gate of Gala Banquet Dinner area for branding Two complimentary registrations at the conference 	5 Lakhs
7	Poster Area	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Company logo branding inside the poster presentation area Will be allowed to put 2 Flex Banners (8ft x 4ft) outside the Poster Area for branding Company's branding on the Poster Assistance Counter 	1 Lakh
8	Conference Kit Sponsor	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Company's Logo on Kit Bags Distribution of Kits will be done by Trained Conference Manpower Sponsor will be allowed to put 2 Flex Banners (8ft x 4ft) at the Kit Distribution Area for branding 	1 Lakh
9	Scientific Programme Booklet	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adequate Advertisement of the Sponsor on the Scientific Programme Booklet 	25,000
10	Advertisement Options in Abstract Book	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Full Page Colour (Back Cover) 	50,000
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inside Full Page Colour 	30,000
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inside Full Page Black & White 	20,000



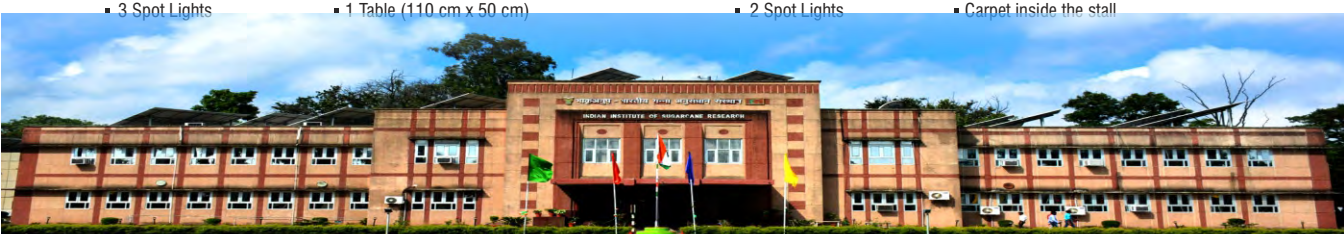
Services to provide in single stall (9 sq.mtr. stall)

- Octanorm Panel Structure
- Fascia Plate
- 1 Power Point / Socket
- 3 Spot Lights
- 1 Waste Paper Basket
- 2 Chairs
- Carpet inside the stall
- 1 Table (110 cm x 50 cm)



Services to provide in single stall (4 sq.mtr. stall)

- Octanorm Panel Structure
- Fascia Plate
- 1 Power Point / Socket
- 2 Spot Lights
- 1 Table (110 cm x 50 cm)
- 1 Waste Paper Basket
- 2 Chairs
- Carpet inside the stall



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Sponsorship & Exhibitor Form

PLEASE TICK THE APPLICABLE BOX:

Sponsorship Exhibition Space Both Date.....

Name of Contact Person:.....

Company Name:.....Designation.....

Address:.....

Mobile:..... Phone:.....

E-Mail: Fax:.....

PAN No.: GST No.....

EXHIBITING COMPANY DETAILS:

Company Profile: Manufacturer Distributor Service Other

Booth Fascia Name:.....

SPONSORSHIP DETAILS:

Please mention the type of sponsorship opportunity in which you are interested (as per the options provided by us)

1st Preference

2nd Preference

3rd preference

EXHIBITION STALL DETAILS:

(Please Tick as applicable)

Tick	Options	Dimensions	Price	Unit
<input type="checkbox"/>	Option A	9 Sq mtr (3m x 3m)	INR 50000	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Option B	4 Sq mtr (2m x 2m)	INR 30000	

- Bare space will be offered on request, with standard electricity power, anything extra shall be charged as per actual requirement.
- All prices excluding of 18% GST. Payment should be made in favor of "Indian Phytopathological Society" payable at New Delhi



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PAYMENT DETAILS:

A) Stall Cost:

B) Sponsorship Cost:

Total Cost (A+B):

GST @ 18%:

GRAND TOTAL:

Amount in Words:

Advance Amount (50% of Grand Total):.....

DD:Date: Amount:.....

Bank:

*** DD to be drawn in favor of "IPSANNCONF2024" payable at Lucknow.**

Terms and Conditions:

- The stalls will be booked on 'First come First Serve' basis. The booking would be confirmed only after the 100% payment has been received by the organizers atleast 1 month prior to the conference.
- The booth rental fee includes One table, two chairs, three spot lights, one plug point (15 Amp.), one dustbin and fascia name.
- Bare Space will be offered on request, with standard electricity power, anything extra shall be charged as per actual requirement.
- Two complimentary Exhibitor registrations (limited to exhibition area) will be provided at each stall. These two exhibitors will be entitled for lunch.
- Payment terms –
 - # 50% of total amount at the time of booking of exhibition area space & sponsorship.
 - # Rest 50% before 15th January 2023
 - # written confirmation of booking will be given after the full payment is received.
- All government taxes shall be charged extra.
- Organizers reserve the right to cancel the booking incase of non-payment of the balance amount within the stipulated time period.
- Any additional exhibition material/electrical fitting will be charged extra as 'on actual' basis.
- The layout of the exhibition is tentative and organizers have the right to change it, if needed.
- In case of non happening of event, on account of force majeure / war / riots or any other unavoidable circumstances, no amount shall be refunded.
- All the legal matters are subject to Delhi Jurisdiction.

Terms and Conditions:

I hereby declare that I am authorized to sign this declaration and the particulars given by me are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I accept all the above Terms and Conditions.

Authorized Signatory

Name:

(Company Stamp & Seal)

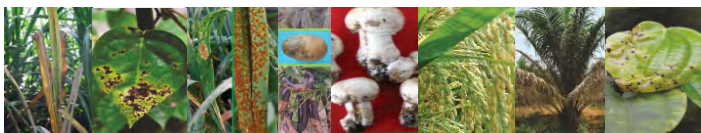
Bank details:

Name of the Account Holder: IPSANNCONF2024
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