

**International Conference on
“RECENT ADVANCES OF BIODIVERSITY AND AGRICULTURE FOR A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE”**

April 19-20, 2024

**Organised by
School of Biodiversity & Conservation of Natural Resources,
Central University of Odisha, Koraput**

PROGRAM SCHEDULE	
Day 1: 19th April 2024	
8:00 AM to 8: 30 AM	Breakfast
10: 30 AM-12.00 O' Noon	Registration
9:00 AM to 10: 30 AM	INAGURATION
9.00 AM	Welcome of dignitaries to the dais
9.00 AM-9.10 AM	Lighting of the Lamp, Saraswati Vandana, Watering to the Plants
9.10 AM-9.15 AM	Welcome Address by Convener cum Organizing Secretary Dr. Debabrata Panda
9.15-9.30 AM	Felicitation to the Dignitaries by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Felicitation to Sj. Nityananda Lenka, Organic Farmer, Patraput, Koraput Felicitation to Raimati Guiria, Millet Queen, Nuaguda, Koraput
9.30-9.35 AM	Release of Book of Abstracts
9.35AM-9.45 AM	About the Theme of the International Conference by Chairman Prof. S. K. Palita
9.45 AM-9.50 AM	Address by Prof. S. P. Adhikary Former Vice Chancellor, F. M. University, Balasore Guest of Honour
9.50 AM-9.55 AM	Address by Prof. A. N. Mishra Former Vice Chancellor, F. M. University, Balasore Guest of Honour
9.55 AM-10.00 AM	Address by Prof. Saroj Kanta Barik Professor, Dept. of Botany, NEHU, Shillong Former Director, CSIR- NBRI Keynote Speaker
10.00 AM-10.05 AM	Dr. Sharat Kumar Pradhan Additional Director General, Crop Science, ICAR, Krishi Bhaban, New Delhi Chief Guest
10.05 AM-10.10 AM	Address by Prof N. C. Panda Dean, School of Languages & Registrar (I/c) and Finance Officer, CUO
10.10 AM-10.20AM	Address by Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi Vice-Chancellor, CUO & CHIEF PATRON
10.20 AM-10.25 AM	Vote of Thanks by Dr. Kakoli Banerjee Co-Convener
10.25 AM-10.30 AM	National Anthem
10: 30 AM to 11: 30 AM	Exhibition & Millet Food festival
11: 30 AM to 11: 45 AM	Tea Break
Session-1 11: 45 PM to 01:15	Technical Session 1 (Key Note Address)
Chair Person	Prof. S. P. Adhikary Former Vice Chancellor, F. M. University, Balasore
Key Note Speaker (12: 00 PM to 12:30 PM)	Prof. Saroj K. Barik Professor, Dept. of Botany, NEHU, Shillong Former Director, CSIR-NBRI, Lucknow
Invited Lecture – 1 (12: 30 PM to 12:50 PM)	Dr. Balogun Shamsudeen Tomiwa Principal Research Scientist,

	Cocoa Research Institute of Nigeria (CRIN), Ibadan, Nigeria
Invited Lecture – 2 (12: 50 PM to 01:10 PM)	Dr. M. Vetriventhan Senior Scientist (Genetic Resources), International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics, Hyderabad
(01: 10 PM to 01:20 PM)	Summing up by the Chairman Prof. S.P. Adhikary
01:20 PM to 2.30 PM	LUNCH
Session-2 2: 30 PM to 04:15	Theme-I: Agrobiodiversity for Food and Nutritional Security
Chair Person	Prof. A. N. Mishra Former Vice Chancellor, Khalikote cluster University, Khalikote
Co-Chairman	Dr. Bhaskar Chandra Patra Former Director, ICAR–National Rice Research Institute, Cuttack
Invited Lecture – 1 (2: 30 PM to 2: 45 PM)	Dr. Bhaskar Chandra Patra
Invited Lecture – 2 (2: 45PM to 3:00 PM)	Dr. Nguemnang Mabou Lile Christère Faculty of Science, University of Yaoundé I, Cameroon
Invited Lecture – 3 (3:00 PM to 3:15 PM)	Dr. Manas Ranjan Sahoo Head, Central Tuber Crop Research Institute, Tiruvantapuram, Kerala
Invited Lecture – 4 (3:15 PM to 3:30 PM)	Dr. Akinsanmi Oluwatosin FOWOWE Faculty, University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Nigeria
Invited Lecture – 5 (3:30 PM to 3:45 PM)	Dr. D. Ramajayam Head & Principal scientist at ICAR-IISWC, Research Centre, Koraput
Invited Lecture – 6 (3:45 PM to 4:00 PM)	Dr. Ajaya Biswal Research Scientist, University of Georgia, USA
4.00PM-4.10 PM	Summing up by the Chairman Prof. A.N. Mishra
4:10 PM to 4:20 PM	Tea
Session-3 04:20 PM to 06:00 PM	Theme-II: Biodiversity and Conservation
Chair Person	Prof. M. K. Satpathy Former Professor of Botany, NCERT-RIE, Bhubaneswar
Co-Chairman	Dr. M. D. Behera Associate Professor, CORAL, IIT-Kharagpur, West Bengal
Invited Lecture – 1 (4: 20 PM to 4: 35 PM)	Dr. M. D. Behera
Invited Lecture – 2 (4: 35 PM to 4: 50 PM)	Dr. Pratap Chandra Panda Former Principal Scientist at Regional Plant Resource Centre and Member Secretary of Odisha Biodiversity Board, Bhubaneswar
Invited Lecture – 3 (4:50 PM to 5:05 PM)	Dr. Nabin K. Dhal Principal Scientist and Head, Dept. of Environmental Sustainability, CSIR-IMMT, Bhubaneswar
Invited Lecture – 4 (5:05 PM to 5:20 PM)	Prof Jogeswar Panigrahi P.G Department of Bio-Technology, Berhampur University, Berhampur
Invited Lecture – 5 (5:20 PM to 5:35 PM)	Gunanidhi Sahoo Department of Zoology, Utkal University, Bhubaneswar - 751004, India
Invited Lecture – 6 (5:35 PM to 5:50 PM)	Prof. Pradipta Kumar Mohapatra Professor of Botany, Ravenshaw University, Cuttack
(5:50 PM to 6:00 PM)	Summing up by the Chairman Prof. M. K. Satpathy
(6:00 PM to 8:00 PM)	CULTURAL FUNCTION
8:00 PM to 8:30 PM	DINNER

	Day 2: 20th April 2024
9:00 AM to 10: 00 AM	Breakfast
10:00 AM to 12: 30 AM	POSTER PRESENTATION
Session-4 10: 00 AM to 11: 30 AM	Theme-III: Biodiversity, Agriculture and Threat of Climate Change
Chair Person	Prof V. C. Jha , Advisor-Academic/Administration, CUO Former Vice Chancellor,
Co-Chairman	Dr. D. Ramajayam Head & Principal scientist at ICAR-IISWC, Research Centre, Koraput
Invited Lecture – 1 (10: 00 AM to 10: 20 AM)	Dr. Sharat Kumar Pradhan Addl. Director General, ICAR, NEW Delhi
Invited Lecture – 2 (10: 20 AM to 10: 35 AM)	Dr. B. Anjan Kumar Prusty Department of Env Science Berhampur University
Invited Lecture – 3 (10: 35 AM to 10: 50 AM)	Dr. Sangram K. Lenka Associate Professor, Gujarat Biotechnological University, Gandhi Nagar
Invited Lecture – 4 (10: 50AM to 11:05 AM)	Prof. Chandra Sekhar Gahan Professor- Dept. of Biotechnology, Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya, Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh
Invited Lecture – 5 (11:05 AM to 11:20 AM)	Dr. Binod Sahu Department of Life Science National Institute of Technology Rourkela Rourkela-769008, Odisha, India
Invited Lecture – 6 (11:20AM to 11:35 AM)	Dr. Kartik C. Lenka Scientist, MSSRF, Jeypore
11:35 AM to 11:50 PM	Tea
Session-5 11: 50 PM to 01: 30	Theme-IV: Conservation and Sustainable Solutions
Chair Person	Dr. M. Vetriventhan Senior Scientist (Genetic Resources), International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics, Hyderabad
Co-Chairman	Prof. Pradipta Kumar Mohapatra Professor, Ravenshaw University, Cuttack
Invited Lecture – 1 (11: 50 PM to 12: 05)	Dr. Peter Doerner Academic Director, Institute of Molecular Plant Sciences University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh EH9 3BF, Scotland
Invited Lecture – 2 (12: 05PM to 12: 15)	Prof. Soumendra Kumar Naik Professor of Botany, Ravenshaw University, Cuttack
Invited Lecture – 3 (12: 15 PM to 12: 30 PM)PM	Sujogya Kumar Panda Department of Biology, KU Leuven, Leuven-3000, Belgium
Invited Lecture – 4 (12: 30PM to 12:45 PM)	Dr. Arun Kumar Rath Lecturer in Botany, SJ CET, Bhubaneswar
Invited Lecture – 5 (12:45 PM to 1: 00 PM)	Dr. Biswaranjan Paital CBSH, OUAT
(1:00 PM to 1:10 PM)	Summing up by the Chairman Dr. Vetriventhan
1:10 PM to 2:15 PM	Lunch
2:15 AM to 3:00 PM	Discussion on Collaboration and Networking & Way Forward
3:00 PM to 4:00PM	Valedictory
4:00PM	Tea & Departure