



1st Circular

International Seminar on **AGRISKILLS FOR CONVERGENCE IN RESEARCH, INDUSTRY & LIVELIHOOD (ACRIL)**

Organized by

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Bidhan Chandra Krishi Viswavidyalaya (BCKV)
AT Farmers' Academy & Convention Centre (FACC),
BCKV, Kalyani-741235, Nadia, West Bengal, India*

28-11-19 to 1-12-19

Background: The food, fodder, fuel, flower, fishery, fibre, livestock and dairy must satisfy the demand of the projected 9 billion population by 2050 (FAO 2009). Besides, the rise must combat weather variability and climate vulnerabilities. Present day livelihood options from agriculture and allied enterprises witness tradeoff not only in ethics but also the sustainability making the biosphere vulnerable. So there is a need for improved productivity and pricing along with a better utilization of natural resource and energy.

Though research holds its own promise, innovations are on the anvil, and industry is striving to make greater gains through agriculture and allied activities; the existing skill level does not allow the farmers to go for an enterprising mindset. Credit has gone out of agriculture not only because of countries became signatories of global reforms and poorer nations treading subsidy withdrawals; this has to do with industry enjoying less convergence with the existing farm produce mix and limited room for post harvest issues.

Scaling up livelihood options, making the industry receptive is another way out to credit solutions. The major jinx is mindset and enterprise composition that can only be addressed through skill development of the farmers towards a more sustainable, remunerative farm commodity basket that will have industry receptivity. Together, in this new era of skill development the industry should play a greater responsibility in partnering the institutes and governance in skill development.

Towards such a new ushering, the academia have new role to backstop this scenario by identifying the skills in various enterprises from their research repositories that will facilitate the entire process. Envisaging such a role, the International Conference on "**AGRISKILLS FOR CONVERGENCE IN RESEARCH, INDUSTRY & LIVELIHOOD (ACRIL)**" has been convened by Crop & Weed Science Society – a befitting answer to the tomorrow.

The following theme areas which holds promise for the convergence have been identified:

1. Crop production and production of allied enterprises with resilience to climate change, abiotic stresses and sustainable natural resource management

2. Biodiversity and improvement in crops & allied fields through classical and advanced breeding techniques; biotechnology, physiology and biochemistry; understanding seed and propagation materials of crops, livestock, fisheries and allied -their quality, and production
3. Biotic stresses in agriculture and allied enterprises, their alleviation, diagnostics & surveillance studies; new mechanisms/ formulations to control and their effect on physiology and flora, fauna and humans.
4. Innovation and skills in value addition, food processing, preservation, post harvest management and income generation.
5. Rationalization of approaches of research, extension, development, marketing, policy interventions.
6. Remote sensing, GIS, modeling, forewarning, forecasting and advisory studies and findings.

A panel discussion envisaging identification of skills, its importance, streamlining new skills in training & capacity building, role of industry and government towards shaping more relevant livelihood patterns having greater resilience to climate and holding promise of sustenance is on the unveil.

Registration Fee for ACRIL

Delegate	Within October 2019	After October 2019
Member, CWSS	₹ 4000	₹ 5000
Non Member, CWSS (including SAARC Countries)	₹ 5000	₹ 6000
Foreign Delegates (excepting SAARC countries)	\$ 100	\$ 125
Students Member, CWSS	₹ 2500	₹ 3500
Students Non-Member, CWSS	₹ 3000	₹ 4000
Accompanying Person (Foreign)	\$ 100	\$ 100
Accompanying Person(India)	₹ 1000	₹ 1000
Life membership + Registration	₹ 7000	₹ 8000

- The Registration Form is attached with this brochure. Delegates needs to send the duly filled up form to "Organizing Secretary, ACRIL" within October'19
- The Registration fee includes Kits, Lunch (three days) and special Dinner (two days) and Local Transport during the Symposium period
- For arrival & departure to NSCB Airport / Railway Station Howrah & Sealdah and for site seen at Kolkata / Sundarban areas transport will be provided only by making advance booking
- **Payment mode: Through Demand Draft (DD) /MT in favour of ACRIL, A/C no 1772050002073 payable at United Bank of India, Central Park Branch, IFSC code: UTBI0CTPW36 or Cash (Indian currency) is acceptable.**

Submission of Abstract

Abstracts are invited on the above thematic areas written in Time New Roman font within 250 words including Title (12 point bold, capital), Author's name(s) pointing the presenter (12point capitalizing each word), Institution and corresponding address (10point) followed by content (to include Introduction, Materials & Methods, Results & Discussion, Recommendation without heading of the sections) should be provided in A4 size paper with 1" margin in all sides.

Poster presentation : The size of the poster will be 80 cm (B) x 100 cm (L),briefly showing Title, Authors name & address, Introduction with Objective, Methodology, Results and Discussion (tables, figures and photographs) and bulleted summary or conclusion. The poster will have to be attractive with appropriate colour scheme so that the content is readable from a distance of at least one meter.

Note: Conference Proceeding will include the Abstracts of only registered delegates within 31st October 2019.

Important dates to remember for International Seminar

Last date of submission of Abstract	31st October 2019
Acceptance of Abstract	On or before November 10, 2019
Early Bird Registration	31st October 2019
Last date of registration	On or before November 15, 2019
Date of Conference	28-30 November and 1st December 2019

LOCATION DETAILS

- **Conference site:** The Kalyani is situated at 22° 57' N latitude and 88°20'E longitude with an altitude of 9.75 m above mean sea level. It is 50 km from the Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose Airport, Kolkata and also same distance from Howrah / Sealdah Railway Station, Kolkata. From Bandel Railway Station (Howrah main line) it is only 20 km while from Kalyani Railway Station (Sealdah main line) only 3 km. **Farmers' Academy & Convention Centre (FACC)**, previously known as Lake Hall is situated in the south eastern side of Kalyani municipality office, Kalyani Court, Kalyani Stadium and Kalyani Lake. Temperature is moderate Maximum 30° Celsius and Minimum 15° Celsius. Climate is comfortable neither too cool nor too hot. Simple woolen garments are sufficient.
- **Accommodation:** Conference site FACC and Local Hotels (AC): Accommodation will be arranged as against advance booking only. The cost of rooms (AC) varied from 1000- 7000 day⁻¹ depending on suit types. All are double bedded.
- **Field trips:** The full day field trips offered to delegates to three different places. These are optional and at an additional cost as indicated in proforma for field trips. All trips are subject to minimum numbers (at least 30).
 1. City Tour Kolkata A : The Victoria Memorial, Eden Gardens, Birla Planetarium, Kalighat Temple, Nakhoda Masjid, Alipur Zoo etc
 2. City Tour Kolkata B; Dakshineswar Temple and Belur Math, Bandel Church, Hangsheswary Temple, Masjid etc.,
 3. Sundarbans: Mangrove, Royal Bengal Tiger etc

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1. Name and Designation:

2. Organization:

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3. Corresponding Address:

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Tel. : E-mail :

4. Accompanying person: No. Relation:.....

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6. I wish to attend the conference and present a paper in Theme :
(Please indicate the Theme number in box)

7. Title of the Paper :

8. I am interested in post-symposium tour and attached field trip form Yes No

11. Preferred accommodation (Pl. tick)

FTC	Hotel	Not required
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Date and place: Signature: