



Regional Expert Consultation Meeting
“Technology Sharing of Spice Crops in SAARC Countries”
11-13 September 2017

ICAR-Indian Institute of Spices Research (IISR), Kozhikode

Jointly organized by
SAARC Agriculture Centre (SAC), Dhaka, Bangladesh
&
ICAR-Indian Institute of Spices Research (IISR), Kozhikode

10 September 2017 (Sunday)	
	Arrival of participants in Kozhikode (Calicut), Kerala, India Billeting and briefing about the workshop

Day 1: 11 September 2017 (Monday)

Inaugural Session: Silver Jubilee Hall, ICAR-Indian Institute of Spices Research Rapporteurs: Dr. C M Senthil Kumar/ Ms. S. Aarthi		
09:30	Registration	
10:00	ICAR Song	
10:05	Welcome	Dr. K Nirmal Babu, Director, ICAR-Indian Institute of Spices Research
10:15	Concept, purpose and objectives of the meeting	Dr. Pradyumna Raj Pandey, Senior Programme Specialist (Crops), SAARC Agriculture Centre, Dhaka, Bangladesh
10:30	Presidential address	Dr. Homey Cheriyan, Director, Directorate of Arecanut and Spices Development, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Government of India.
10:45	Inauguration (Lighting of lamp)	All Dignitaries
10:50	Inaugural address by the Chief Guest	Dr. P Rajendran, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Kerala Agricultural University
11:10	Vote of thanks	Dr. Lijo Thomas, Scientist, ICAR- Indian Institute of Spices Research
11: 20: Inauguration of Technology Exhibition Pavilion – Smt. Geetha T, Principal Agricultural Officer, Government of Kerala Group Photo Session		
11:30 Tea Break		

Technical Session- I: Technology and Institutional Perspectives in Spices Development Venue: Silver Jubilee Hall		
Moderators: Dr. P Rajendran, Associate Director, RARS, KAU/Dr. T John Zachariah, Principal Scientist, ICAR -IISR Rapporteurs: Dr. N K Leela/Ms.P.Umadevi		
Invited presentations from select organizations (5-10 min each)		
12:00- 12:45	Probable List <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spices Board- Dr. A B Remasree, Director-Research, Spices Board • Synthite Industries Ltd- Mr.Silvin/Rishal • Sami Labs Pvt Ltd- Dr. Benny Daniel • Kancor- Dr. V Shaju • WSSS- Fr John Choorapuzhayil • World Spice Organization- TBC 	
12:45 – 13:00	Discussion and closing remarks	
Lunch	13:00 – 14:00	
Technical Session- II: Country Presentations – Set A Venue: Committee Room, ICAR IISR		
Moderators: Dr. B Remasree, Director, Research, ICRI and Dr. B Sasikumar, Head, Crop Improvement and Biotechnology, ICAR -IISR Rapporteurs: Dr P Rajeev/Dr. E. Jayasree		
14:00	Country presentation (Afghanistan)	Mr. Ferdaws Bromand Agriculture Research Stations Coordinator Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Livestock Afghanistan
14:30	Country presentation (Bangladesh)	Mr. Md Iqbal Haque Senior Scientific Officer (Horticulture) Regional Spices Research Centre, Bangladesh Agriculture Research Institute , Gazipur,
15:30	Country presentation (Bhutan)	Ms. Tanka Maya Pulami, Senior Agriculture Officer, Agriculture Research & Development Centre Bajo, Bhutan
15:30	Discussion and closing remarks	

Day 2: 12 September 2017 (Tuesday)

Technical Session-III: Country Presentations - Set B Venue: Committee Room, ICAR IISR		
Moderators: Dr. S J Anke Gowda, Head, ICAR IISR Regional Station/ Dr. C K Thankamani, Head, Division of Crop Production, ICAR IISR Rapporteur: Dr. Hemaprabha Pandey/ Dr. Sharon Aravind		
09:30	Country presentation (India)	Dr. Kantipudi Nirmal Babu Director, Indian Institute of Spices Research Kozhikode , Kerala, India
10:00	Country presentation (Nepal)	Dr. Anisur Rahman Ansari Director Nepal Agricultural Research Council (NARC) Kathmandu, Nepal

10:30	Country presentation (Sri Lanka)	Dr. A.P. Heenkende Additional Director General (Research) Department of Export Agriculture Peredeniya, Sri Lanka
11:00	Successful Spice Value chain Technologies in South Asia: Strategies for Achieving SDGs	Mr. Indra Raj Pandey, Horticulturist, Center for Environmental, Agricultural Policy Research, Extension and Development (CEAPRED/Nepal)
11:20	Discussion and closing remarks	
11:30	Tea break	
11:45- 13:45		
Brainstorming session: Policy and Technological Interventions for Spice Value Chain Development in South Asia: Priorities and Challenges		
Moderator: Dr. K. Nirmal Babu, Director, ICAR-IISR		
Facilitators: Dr. Santhosh J Eapen/Dr. J Rema/ Dr. A I Bhat		
Rapporteurs: Dr. Pradyumna R. Pandey/ Dr.C N Biju		
Lunch: 13:45 – 14:30		
Closing Session		
Chair: Dr. Homey Cheriyan, Director, Directorate of Arecanut and Spices Development, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Government of India		
14:30	Welcome Summary of Technical and Brainstorming session	Dr. Santhosh J Eapen, Head, Div. of Crop Protection, ICAR-IISR
14:45	Remarks by participants	
15:00	Remarks by Chief Guest	Dr. Homey Cheriyan, Director, DASD
15:15	Certificate awarding	Dr. Homey Cheriyan, Director, DASD
15:30	Vote of thanks	Dr. Pradyumna Raj Pandey, SPS (Crops)
High Tea/ Social Networking and sideline meetings		
19:00	Cultural Programme - <i>Flavours of the South</i>	
20:00	Conference Dinner	

Day 3 (13 September, 2017) Wednesday

07:00-18:00 hrs: Visit to spice fields and processing facilities

Field visit will be in Wayanad District of Kerala, India. Wayanad is about 100 km away from Kozhikode, the host city. The participants have to return to Kozhikode in the evening. Travel to Wayanad will take about 3 hours. It would be ideal if the trip can start at about 7.30 AM in the morning.

Day 4 (14 September, 2017) Thursday Departure from Kozhikode, India

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