

Proceedings of the Meeting of Local Organizing Committee of Fourth International Agronomy Congress held on September 6, 2016 at 3:00 PM, in the Board Room of Director, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi 110 012

The followings members were present:

- 1) Dr Ravinder Kaur, Director ICAR-IARI, New Delhi and Chairperson of the Local Organizing Committee of Fourth IAC
- 2) Dr K.L. Chadha, President, Horticultural Society of India, NASC, New Delhi
- 3) Dr R.L. Yadav, Ex-Director (IISR), Dwarka, New Delhi
- 4) Dr S.S. Sindhu, Head, Floriculture, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 5) Dr B.S. Dwivedi, Head, SSAC, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 6) Dr V.K. Singh, Head, Division of Agronomy, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 7) Dr D.K. Yadava, Head, SST, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 8) Dr Premrata Singh, Head (Extn.), ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 9) Dr B.S. Tomer, Head, Vegetable Science, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 10) Dr P. Krishnan, Head, Agril. Physics, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 11) Dr S.K. Singh, Head, FHT, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 12) Dr A.K. Singh, Principal Scientist, IIMR, Pusa Campus, New Delhi
- 13) Dr Manoj Khanna, Principal Scientist, WTC/FOSU, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 14) Dr T.K. Das, Principal Scientist, Division of Agronomy, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 15) Dr Y.V. Singh, Principal Scientist, Division of Microbiology, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 16) Dr R.K. Sharma, Principal Scientist, Genetics Division, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 17) Dr Amal Ghosh, Principal Scientist, Division of Agronomy, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 18) Dr S.S. Rathore, Principal Scientist, Division of Agronomy, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 19) Dr Ramanjit Kaur, Senior Scientist, Division of Agronomy, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 20) Dr Rajiv K. Singh, Senior Scientist, Division of Agronomy, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 21) Dr Prabhat Kumar, Senior Scientist, Floriculture and Landscaping, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 22) Dr Rishi Raj, Scientist, Division of Agronomy, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 23) Dr G.A. Rajanna, Scientist, Division of Agronomy, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 24) Dr Pravin Kumar Upadhyay, Scientist, Division of Agronomy, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 25) Dr C.M. Parihar, Scientist, IIMR, Pusa Campus, New Delhi
- 26) Dr S.L. Jat, Scientist, IIMR, Pusa Campus, New Delhi
- 27) Mr. Sompal Singh, Office Assistant, ISA, Division of Agronomy, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 28) Dr Y.S. Shivay, Secretary, ISA and Professor, Division of Agronomy, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi and Convener of the Local Organizing Committee of Fourth IAC

At the outset, Chairperson of Local Organizing Committee extended her warm welcome to all the Committee members of Fourth International Agronomy Congress 2016 and the following agenda items were thoroughly discussed and decisions were made:

Confirmation of the minutes of the last meeting: The minutes of the last meeting held on 13 May, 2016 were confirmed since no comments and suggestions were received for the proceedings.

Review of the preparedness of the following committees for successful organization of the Fourth IAC 2016:

Accommodation Committee: Status of accommodation booked for the participants in the Fourth IAC 2016. Organizing Secretary of Fourth IAC 2016 apprised about the booking of guest houses in the IARI and Sister Institutes in the periphery of Pusa Campus. However, at the same time exact number of rooms need to be confirmed by the accommodation committee in consultation with IARI Guest House, NASC Complex Guest House, NBPGR Guest House and IASRI Guest House's concerned authorities. Further, it was also suggested that the committee should meet and finalize the availability of the Guest Houses and requested to inform in the next meeting of the Local Organizing Committee. The Chairperson of the Local Organizing Committee and Convener of the Accommodation Committee of Fourth IAC suggested that Dr Shiva Dhar should take the responsibility of Convener and I will be looking over all activities of the different committees. Accordingly, Dr Shiva Dhar was requested to take responsibility for accommodation committee as a Convener.

Finance Committee: The Chairperson of the Local Organizing committee asked the Convener of the Finance Committee regarding the expected sources of funds and also expenditures. The Convener of the committee was not present in the meeting, however, Co-convener (Dr A.K. Singh, Treasurer ISA) apprised the position of expected funds and also expenditures. The Chairperson advised the Co-convener to please come in the next meeting with all authentic enlisted sources of funds and expected expenditure of the Fourth IAC.

Transport: The Chairperson of the Local Organizing Committee of Fourth IAC asked the Convener and Co-convener of the Transport committee about the steps taken for providing the transport facilities to the participants. The Convener of the transport committee was not present, however the Co-convener, Dr T.K. Das was present and he was advised to write a request letter to all the ICAR Institutes (IARI, NBPGR, NCIPM, IASRI, NCAP, NBPSS&LUP Regional Station and NRCPB etc.) located in Pusa Campus to provide the vehicles during the Congress. This can be done on the priority after conduct of a meeting of the transport committee.

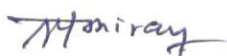
Press Media Committee: The Chairperson of the Local Organizing Committee of Fourth IAC asked the progress of the Press Media Committee for wider publicity of the Fourth International Agronomy Congress. The Convener and Co-convener of the Press Media Committee were not present in the meeting, however, Dr Prabhat Kumar, member of the committee apprised about the steps taken for publicity including IARI, ICAR website links given for the wider publicity of the Congress 2016 which resulted in receipt of large number of extended summaries. He further apprised that a publicity about the congress will be made through different media including print, television (DD Kisan Channel) and radio.

Poster Session Committee: Dr C.M. Parihar, Co-convenor of the Poster Session Committee apprised the house regarding the progress made for the poster presentation during the Fourth International Agronomy Congress at the Venue.

Excursion/Tours Committee, Exhibition Committee, Cultural Prgoramme Committee, Reception Committee, Government Liaison Committee, Stage and Hall Management Committee, Food and Hospitality Committee and Facilitation Centre Committee: The Chairperson of the Local Organizing Committee of Fourth IAC asked all the Conveners and Co-conveners of these committees to conduct their meetings with their members to finalize their requirements for smooth conduct of the Fourth International Agronomy Congress and come with all preparations and progress made in the next meeting. The Chairperson gave 10 days time to complete their requirements and preparedness which will be discussed in the next scheduled meeting of the Local Organizing Committee.

Any other items with permission of the Chair: The hiring of ground was deeply discussed considering the charges of Mela Ground in IARI. It was decided that we should hire Mela Ground from 18 to 28 November, 2016 including 5 days for conference period and 4 days for establishment of the fabricated structure and 2 days for dismantling of the structure. It was also discussed with the Event Manager and he agreed for the same.

Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to all the attendees and the Chair.



(Y.S. Shivay)
Organizing Secretary
Fourth IAC 2016



(Ravinder Kaur)
Chairperson, Local Organizing
Committee of Fourth IAC 2016