Proceedings of the Meeting of Local Organizing Committee of Fourth International Agronomy Congress held on May 13, 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 J.P. Sharma, Joint Director (Extn.), ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 3) Dr S.S. Sindhu, Head, Floriculture ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 4) Dr B.S. Dwivedi, Head, SSAC, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 5) Dr V.K. Singh, Head, Division of Agronomy, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 6) Dr D.K. Yadava, Head, SST, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 7) Dr Premlata Singh, Head (Extn.), ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 8) Dr Manoj Khanna, Principal Scientist, WTC/FOSU, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 9) Dr C. Bhardwaj, Principal Scientist, Genetics Division, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 10) Dr D.S. Rana, Principal Scientist, Division of Agronomy, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 11) Dr Dinesh Kumar, Principal Scientist, Division of Agronomy, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 12) Dr T.K. Das, Principal Scientist, Division of Agronomy, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 13) Dr Y.V. Singh, Principal Scientist, Division of Microbiology, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 14) Dr Anchal Dass, Senior Scientist, Division of Agronomy, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 15) Dr Ramanjit Kaur, Scientist, Division of Agronomy, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 16) Dr Rajender Kumar, Senior Scientist, WTC, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 17) Dr Rishi Raj, Scientist, Division of Agronomy, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 18) Dr G.A. Rajanna, Scientist, Division of Agronomy, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 19) Dr Pravin Kumar Upadhyay, Scientist, Division of Agronomy, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
- 20) 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:

- 1. Mobilization of support for more participation from concerned disciplines in the Fourth International Agronomy Congress 2016: It was decided that more than 2 Scientists from each discipline of IARI may be asked to register in the Congress for their participation. However, from NRM group most of the Scientists should be encouraged to participate in this Congress.
- 2. Booking of IARI Krishi Vigyan Mela Ground: It was thoroughly discussed in the meeting and unanimously decided that organizers should book the IARI Krishi Vigyan Mela Ground on priority basis. It was also strongly suggested that all the Congress activities including Inaugural Function, Plenary lecturers, Evening lectures, Concurrent sessions, Food Court and all Exhibitions should be organized at one place and preferably at the Mela Ground of ICAR-IARI for the convenience of the organizers and participants.
- 3. **Booking of All the Guest Houses in the IARI Campus**: It was decided that all the possible accommodations in Ganga International Guest House, Sindhu Guest House and Farmers Guest House should be booked for the participants. It was also requested to Dr C. Bhardwaj, Officer Incharge of all guest houses of ICAR-IARI to ensure and book all the possible rooms in the guest

- 4. Booking of Halls in the IARI Campus: Secretary, Indian Society of Agronomy informed the house about the confirmation of booking of Dr B.P. Pal auditorium. However, it was suggested that we should also book Halls of WTC, Agronomy, Extension, NRL etc. for the concurrent and plenary discussion sessions.
- Additional demand of funds to the Division of Agronomy from Education Division for the 5. Fourth International Agronomy Congress to improve the infrastructure in the Division of Agronomy: It was discussed and decided to send a request letter to the DDG (Education), ICAR through Director, IARI, New Delhi for demand of more funds for renovation work of Agronomy Divisional Laboratories. It was also decided that Division of Agronomy should also submit the requirements with justification for their demands of allocation of more funds from Education Division.
- White wash of the Division of Agronomy: It was discussed and assured by the Chairperson, 6. Local Organizing Committee of the Congress that the white wash of the Agronomy Division building will be done well in time before the Congress.
- 7. Support to the Society at the Institute level for successful organization of Fourth IAC: Secretary of the Indian Society of Agronomy requested to seek the support of all the professional societies headquartered in the ICAR-IARI Campus, which was reciprocated by all the concerned.
- 8. Any other items with the permission of the Chair:
 - i. Dr S.S. Sindhu suggested more involvement of other divisional scientists for their effective contribution to the successful organization of the Congress and based on his suggestions and contribution in the past, Secretary, Indian Society of Agronomy proposed Dr S.S. Sindhu, Head, and Division of Floriculture to act as Convener of the Government Liaison Committee. It was unanimously agreed upon. He was also requested to involve in the Stage and Hall Management Committee along with Dr Markandey Singh.
 - ii. Dr J.P. Sharma, Joint Director (Extn.), suggested to include Dr Premlata Singh, Head, Division of Agric. Extension and Dr R.N. Padaria, Professor, Division of Agric. Extension in the Reception Committee and unanimously agreed upon.

Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chairperson.

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Convener

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(Ravinder Kaur) Chairperson

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