

STAR NATIONAL CONFERENCE

“Current Trends in Agriculture Research and Extension Services:
Shaping the Future of Sustainable Agriculture and Food Security”

February 23-25, 2025

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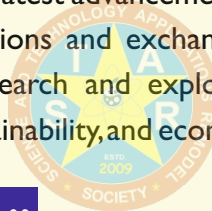
:: Introduction ::

Agriculture and allied sectors are the backbone of India's economy, providing livelihoods for over 50% of the population. In today's rapidly evolving world the agricultural sector, is undergoing a profound transformation, driven by both unprecedented challenges including climate change, water scarcity, soil degradation, and pest management and groundbreaking opportunities. The demand for sustainable food systems, climate-smart practices, and technological innovations is more pressing than ever. To address these challenges, research and innovation play a critical role. The ever-increasing demand for food security, the pressures of climate change, dwindling natural resources, and the rapid pace of technological advancement have collectively spurred a new wave of research and extension services in agriculture and allied sectors. In recent years, agricultural research has evolved from traditional methods to embrace innovative technologies and practices aimed at increasing productivity, enhancing sustainability, and ensuring resilience.

Key trends in agricultural research reflect the urgent need to address pressing issues such as climate resilience, resource efficiency, biodiversity conservation, and socio-economic inclusivity.

STAR society aims to highlight cutting-edge research, technologies, extension services and best practices for agricultural development to meet these challenges faced by Indian agriculture. Therefore, STAR society has decided to organize a national conference on "Current Trends in Agriculture Research and Extension Services: Shaping the Future of Sustainable Agriculture and Food Security" in Feb 2025 at Jaipur, Rajasthan.

This conference aims to gather leading experts, researchers, scientists, policymakers and stakeholders to discuss current challenges, and opportunities, latest advancements and trends in research in agricultural and its allied sectors. Through collaborative discussions and exchange of ideas, the conference seeks to identify research gaps and priorities for future research and explore solutions that address the critical issues surrounding food security, environmental sustainability, and economic viability.



:: Conference Objectives ::

The National Conference on Current Trends in Agriculture Research and Extension Services aims to -

1. **Showcase Innovation:** Highlight cutting-edge research, technologies, and best practices in agricultural research and development.
2. **Promote Sustainability:** Identify and share sustainable practices in agriculture and allied sectors, ensuring environmental stewardship and social responsibility.
3. **Address Global Challenges:** Address pressing issues of climate change, resource efficiency, and food security, exploring solutions for a resilient and sustainable food system.
4. **Foster Collaboration:** Bring together researchers, policymakers, practitioners, and industry stakeholders to facilitate knowledge sharing, networking, and partnership building.
5. **Inform Policy:** Discuss and refine policy frameworks that support agricultural innovation, inclusivity, and equity, ensuring benefits reach marginalized communities.
6. **Identify Research Gaps:** Analyze current research landscapes, identifying priorities and gaps to inform future research agendas.
7. **Optimizing Agricultural Extension for Impact:** Uncovering Effective Strategies to Enhance Service Delivery, Promote Innovation Uptake, and Improve Farmer Livelihoods.

:: Sub-Themes::

1. **Natural Resource Management:** Innovation in Agronomy, Soil Science, Crop Physiology, Post-Harvest Technology, Natural Farming, Organic Farming, Nano technology, etc.
2. **Agricultural Engineering and Technology:** Farm Mechanization, Computer Application, AI and Robotics, IoT, Drone Technology, Precision Agriculture and Digital Farming, ICT, etc.
3. **Crop Improvement:** Plant Breeding, Seed technology, Genomics and Biotechnology, Genetic Engineering, Bio Chemistry, Food Technology, etc.
4. **Animal and Veterinary Science:** Livestock, Dairy Production, Veterinary Science, Poultry and Aviation, Fisheries and Aquaculture, etc.
5. **Horticulture and Floriculture:** Olericulture, Pomology, Viticulture, Floriculture, Landscape Horticulture, Vertical Farming, Urban Agriculture and Controlled Environment Agriculture, etc.
6. **Plant Protection:** Entomology, Plant Pathology, Microbiology and Nematology, etc.
7. **Social Science, Trade and Policies:** Agricultural Extension Services and Systems, Agricultural Economics, Home Science, Community Science, Agricultural Marketing and Policy, etc.
8. **Climate Smart Agriculture in Dryland:** Water, Soil Health and Livestock Management, Innovative Technologies and Breeding Approach for Dryland Agriculture, etc.
9. **Success Stories:** Improvement of Farm Income, Agriculture Development, Rural Development, Livelihood Security, etc.
10. **Empowering Rural Prosperity:** Role of Institutions/ NGOs/ FPOs/ FPCs/ Agri-Startups in Agriculture Development, Livelihood Security and Rural Transformation.

:: Categories of Presentation ::

Delegates will present their work in following three categories and get the opportunity to win STAR conference medal (Gold, Silver and Bronze) on competitive basis of their presentation in all categories.

1. **Professional :** Individual experts, researchers, scientists, policymakers, academicians, extension professional, SMS, etc.
2. **Student :** A person having M.Sc. / Ph. D degree not more than five years before the date of conference or a person pursuing M.Sc./ Ph.D degree at a college or university.
3. **Institutions:** Corporate Companies, Institutions, FPOs, FPCs, NGOs, Agri-Startups, etc. presenting the institutional contribution for agriculture development.

:: Expected Outcomes ::

- **Knowledge Sharing :** Dissemination of the latest trends, innovations, and best practices in agriculture research and extension services.
- **Networking:** Strengthening networks between policymakers, scientists, academicians, industry leaders, and grassroots institutions to drive sustainable agricultural development.
- **Recognition and Motivation:** Recognizing outstanding contributions through awards in various categories, motivating participants to strive for excellence in their respective fields.
- **Collaboration Opportunities:** Establishing partnerships among NGOs, FPOs, private institutions, and research organizations to work on agriculture development and rural empowerment projects.

About STAR Society

Science and Technology Application Remodel (STAR) Society, established in September 2009 at Jaipur, registered under Rajasthan Society Registration Act 1958 (No. 517/ Jaipur/2009-10), is an innovative Society focused on revolutionizing agriculture through the strategic use of science and technology. By integrating advanced research and practical applications, STARS aims to transform agricultural practices, making them more efficient, sustainable, and resilient. The organization works to empower farmers with cutting-edge tools and knowledge, promoting techniques that enhance productivity while preserving natural resources. Through education, collaboration, and the implementation of groundbreaking solutions, STARS is dedicated to reshaping the agricultural landscape, ensuring food security, and fostering a more sustainable future for communities in India.

STAR Society, a non-profit organization, is dedicated for supporting emerging researchers in the field of agriculture research, extension and education. Our goal is to help these individuals enhance their expertise so that they can make a meaningful impact on society. We assist researchers, academicians and students by hosting scientific events, acknowledging their accomplishments through awards, and continuously enhancing our programs and services to better serve the stakeholders. One of our aims is to ensure that future generations recognize and are inspired by the significant contributions of researchers and scholars who have devoted their lives to advancing agriculture.

About SKNAU, Jobner

Sri Karan Narendra Agriculture University (SKNAU), Jobner, Jaipur is a premier agriculture institution of the country established in September 2013 by Government of Rajasthan. The territorial jurisdiction and responsibility of this University extend to the districts of Jaipur, Sikar, Alwar, Dausa, Tonk, Ajmer, Bharatpur and Dholpur. The university covers three agro-climatic zones including II A: Transitional plain of inland drainage - Sikar; III A: Semi-arid eastern plain zone-Jaipur, Ajmer, Tonk, Dausa; III B: Flood prone eastern plains- Alwar, Bharatpur, Dholpur. There are total 35 colleges under the jurisdiction of SKNAU included 15 constituent colleges apart from 10 colleges of Government of Rajasthan and 10 private colleges. The University campus is located at Jobner, which is 45 Km by road from Jaipur. The nearest railway station is Asalpur- Jobner on Delhi- Ahmadabad railway line which is at 10 Km distance from the university campus. The nearest airport connecting the University is Jaipur at a distance of 60 Km.

About RARI, Durgapura

Rajasthan Agricultural Research Institute (RARI) is a constituent of Sri Karan Narendra Agriculture University, Jobner, established in 1943 as Agricultural Research Station (ARS) at Durgapura, Jaipur. The ARS renamed as Rajasthan Agricultural Research Institute (RARI) in Feb, 2013. The institute is working with the mission to conduct research and extension activities for enhancing productivity, profitability and sustainability of agricultural production systems and to improve the quality of rural livelihood in the state of Rajasthan.

The research institute has been established on 74.1 hectare land which houses laboratories, office building experimental farm and a few residential quarters for the staff. More than 70 scientists and 200 administrative, supporting and auxiliary staff are engaged in various research activities.

This institute is located at 5 km from the Gandhinagar railway station and 15 km from central railway station, Jaipur /central bus stand on the Jaipur-Tonk Highway. It is adjacent (2 km) to Jaipur international airport and is surrounded by serene location. The longitude and latitude of the institute are 26.50°N and 75.47°E, respectively at an altitude of 390 m above MSL. This institute has been in the forefront of agriculture since its inception and is the main research institute of the University.



STAR Awards

The STAR Society Awards celebrate the impactful accomplishments of researchers, extensionist, educationist, farmers, Institutions, etc. for their incredible work that can be seen locally and around the globe.

Applications are invited for STAR awards for the year, 2025 from all Scientists/ Researchers/ Extension Specialists/ Students/ Entrepreneur/ Institutions working in agriculture and allied disciplines. Last date of submission of Award Application is January 31, 2025.

Name of Awards
<ul style="list-style-type: none">STAR National Fellow AwardSTAR Associate Fellow AwardSTAR Gold Medal AwardSTAR Excellence Award for ProfessionalSTAR Conference Medals: Gold, Silver, and BronzeSTAR Lifetime Achievement AwardSTAR Young Scientist AwardDr. G. N. Hazarika STAR Excellence Award for Outstanding Ph. D. ResearchSTAR Excellence Award for InstitutionsSTAR Community Empowerment Award for Institutions

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Registration Fee (Rs.)			
SN	Category	Early Bird Registration (Upto Dec. 31, 2024)	Late Adopters Registration (01-01-2025 to 31-01-2025)
1.	Professional	6,000	7,000
2.	RAs/SRF/YP	5,000	6,000
3.	Students	3,000	4,000
4.	Institutions	8,000	12,000
5.	Accompanying person	5,000	5,000
6.	Accommodation charges for three days(if required)	6,000.00 for single room 3,000.00 for twin sharing	

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 - 2. STAR society has right to split or merge themes based on number of participants.

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The participants may submit conceptual, review, research and case study based concise extended summary of one page of MSwords related to the objective of STAR Conference through online submission system available at www.starsociety.org.in/stc before the due date. It is needless to mention that the extended summary should be relevant to the themes of conference. Not more than two extended summaries/ papers from each participant will be entertained. The text should be typed in single space and Times New Roman Font of size 12. Kindly select the appropriate sub-theme to which the summary or paper relates. Please download one page MSword format from conference website and prepare your extended summary by following the format. The paper failing to follow the format may not be entertained.

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All accepted and registered extended summary will be published in the Conference Summary Book with ISBN.

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Date of Submission start

December 01, 2024

Submission Close

January 31, 2025

Notification of Acceptance

February 05, 2025

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Delegates are also informed that there are number of Budget hotel near to venue (RARI), so they can book their accommodation directaly in hotels as per requirment.

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