



Mahatma Gandhi University



IUCOFSA
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CENTRE FOR ORGANIC FARMING &
SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE



GLOBAL ORGANIC MEET 2018

SECOND INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR ON
EMERGING TRENDS IN ORGANIC FARMING
AND SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE

22, 23 AND 24 APRIL 2018 AS PART OF
A GLOBAL ORGANIC MEET
AT CMS COLLEGE, KOTTAYAM, KERALA, INDIA.

International Seminar •

Exhibition •

Workshops and discussions •

Hands on Training •

Agri-film festival •

Cultural programmes •

Realtime Painting Exhibition •

Photo competition for students •

In association with
the Bicentennial Celebration of CMS College, Kottayam

The Global Organic Meet being held in April 2018 at CMS College, Kottayam has been conceived as a unique academic carnival where serious academic deliberations, exhibitions and cultural pageantry co-exist to demonstrate the significance and diversity of the organic concept in agriculture. The seminar seeks to touch upon all aspects of organic farming as well as sustainable agriculture which have engaged academic attention and continue to inspire studies and research. This being the second edition of the immensely successful international seminar held last year brings together a galaxy of national and international academics, researchers, students who are engaged in examining and drawing lessons on myriad aspects of the subject from a scientific and academic perspective widening the horizons of knowledge and understanding in the process. The exhibition will showcase organic products, traditional, modern and indigenous technology in agriculture so as to tap into the increasing awareness about organic methods. The cultural pageantry will be specific to agriculture highlighting the rituals, myths folklore, its representations in religion and literature. The meet will strive to satisfy the demands of the intellect, help connect and network business, share knowledge, experiences, enlighten consumers about the traditional and the modern in organic agriculture and also introduce everyone to the rich cultural traditions which have roots in agriculture.

International Seminar on Emerging Trends in Organic Farming and Sustainable Agriculture

The seminar will provide an international forum for sharing scientific knowledge, professional networking, research collaboration, interdisciplinary education, and dissemination of recent scientific advances to the academia and the industry. This symposium will bring together a panel of highly-accomplished experts in the field of Organic Farming. Talks will encompass basic studies, applications and topics of relevant issues. The conference will feature keynote addresses, a number of plenary sessions, invited talks and contributed lectures focusing on organic farming.

Broad Theme: 'Emerging trends in Organic Farming and Sustainable Agriculture'

The Seminar shall have the following streams

Streams

Business Stream

Science Stream

Cultural and Media Stream

Farmers Stream

Health & Environment Stream



The conference focus areas are:

Business Stream

- Managing Agribusiness Firms
- Start-ups in Organic Farming
- Risk Management in Organic Farming & Agribusiness Finance
- Marketing, Distribution, and Retailing in Agribusiness
- Inventory and Labour Management in Agribusiness
- Information and Communication Technologies in Agribusiness
- Sustainable Consumption and Production of Organic Farm Produce
- Innovations in Agribusiness
- Agribusiness and Sustainable Rural Development

Science Stream

- Plant Science and Genetics in Organic Agriculture
- Nutrigenomics and Functional Food
- Soil and Water Science
- Microbes in Organic Agriculture
- Organic Certification
- Food Quality and Safety
- Permaculture
- Carbon Sequestration Strategy
- Pesticide and Other Emerging Pollutant Analysis
- Food Adulteration Strategy and Control

Cultural and Media Stream

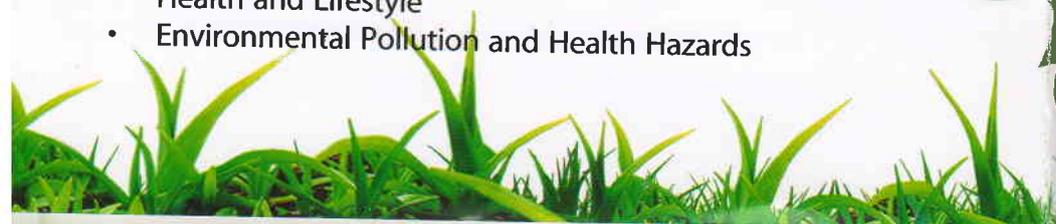
- Agri related rituals
- Art, Literature & Music related to Agriculture
- Agri Folklore
- Ethno Music
- Ecosophy
- Agrifilms
- Agri Related Performing Arts

Farmers Stream

- Seeds
- Soil Health
- Organic Cultivation practices with special reference to Organic Fertilizer, Pesticides and Biocontrol
- Value Added Products and Agroprocessing
- Animal Husbandry and Agriculture
- Composting and Waste Management
- Biodynamic Farming
- Water Management in Agriculture

Health & Environment Stream

- Health and Lifestyle
- Environmental Pollution and Health Hazards



- Health and Sanitation
- Food Additives and Health
- Climate Change and Health
- Environment, Health and Education
- Waste Management
- Agricultural Practices and Environment
- Traditional Knowledge for Healthy Environment

Target participants

National & International Scientists, Academicians

National & International Research Scholars / NGOs

National & International Media

Farmers and Peasants /Agrocrats

Folklorists/Musicians

Agro industrialists and Agro businessman / Registered Residents Association

Several internationally renowned scholars and researchers working in the areas of Organic Farming and Sustainable Agriculture have agreed to attend the Seminar as speakers. The Seminar is open for further participants, who are invited to submit their papers or participate as listeners. There will be a multi disciplinary interaction between presenters and participants. Interested researchers and students are invited to submit the abstract of paper (300 words) through online submission facility available in the Seminar webpage.

All submissions (full paper not exceeding 3000 words) will be peer reviewed and their originality and relevance to the Seminar will be evaluated. Submissions would strictly follow APA format. Paper accepted for oral presentation will be given 10 minutes for presentation and discussion. The Seminar proceedings will be published in the form of a monograph after the Seminar.

Seminar Organising Committee

Chief Patrons: Dr. Babu Sebastian, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor,
Mahatma Gandhi University
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Sri. K V Dayal, renowned organic farming expert
Principal Agriculture Officer, Kottayam District Project Director, Agricultural Technology Management Agency (ATMA), Kottayam
Sri. George Mullakkara, Kerala Jaiva Karshaka Samithi

KEY DATES

First Announcement	:	Dec 10, 2017
Online Registration	:	Dec 15, 2017
Last Date for Submission of Abstracts	:	Feb 15, 2018
Communication of Abstract Acceptance	:	Feb 20, 2018
Submission of Full Paper	:	March 15, 2018
Last date of payment of Registration fee	:	April 1, 2018
International seminar	:	22 - 24 April 2018

FEE DETAILS

1. Indian Participants

Category	Amount (Rs.)
Participants from Industry (includes participation for 4 persons)	10000
General Participants	3000
Academicians	3000
Research Scholars	1500
Post Graduate Students	1000
Farmers (with due recommendation from the Krishi Bhavan)	100

2. Foreign Participants

Category	Amount (\$)
Participants from Industry	500
General Participants/ Academicians/NGOs	300
Research Scholars	175
Students	150
Farmers	100

The registration fee includes:

Participation of one registered person in the Seminar, publishing of the abstracts and full papers in the international scientific proceeding on CDs with ISBN number, Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner during the Seminar (Organic food including native ethnic organic food).

Seminar Venue and Accommodation

The seminar will be held at CMS College, Kottayam, Kerala, India. For outstation delegates, the accommodation facilities shall be made available at the reputed hotels in Kottayam. However, the expenditure in this regard shall be met by the delegates themselves.

Exhibition

115 exhibition stalls will be available at seminar site with adequate electrification and safety measures.



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