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## CONFERENCE ON

# “Sustainable Agriculture and Farmers’ Empowerment” SAFE-2021

(As part of JAIVAM Sponsored Project)

## INVITATION

Organised by

March  
16 & 17, 2021



Inter University Centre for Organic Farming  
and Sustainable Agriculture

Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam, Kerala, India



## WELCOME

Inter University Centre for Organic Farming and Sustainable Agriculture (IUCOFSA), Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam, Kerala, India cordially invite scientists, researchers, teachers, students and agriculturalists to the virtual conference on “Sustainable Agriculture and Farmers’ Empowerment” scheduled during 16 & 17 March 2021, being organized as part of JAIVAM Sponsored Project.

## SAFE 2021- Conference Perspective

Sustainable agriculture not only aims at food security but also focus on upgrading living standards of farmers along with conservation of natural resources. Farmers in India have to be more aware about organic farming and its advantages over conventional farming methods. Use of bio-fertilizers, biofuels, beneficial waste management etc. requires awareness and willingness on the part of farming community. In addition, advanced technologies are being introduced in the field that enable organic farming easier as well as economically viable. Moreover, increasing demand for organic food, fibre and by-products would certainly open up a new outlook in agribusiness sector.

SAFE 2021 aims to bring together diverse research outputs pertaining to various aspects of sustainable agriculture. It also aims to provide an interdisciplinary platform to discuss about the advanced technologies and innovations in the field of sustainable organic agriculture and the avenues available for empowerment of farmers through Agribusiness

## THEME

- ❖ *Biofuel and sustainable agriculture*
- ❖ *Waste management and sustainable agriculture*
- ❖ *Beneficial microorganisms and sustainable agriculture*
- ❖ *Nanotechnology and sustainable agriculture*
- ❖ *Innovations and recent trends in sustainable agriculture*
- ❖ *Agricultural finance, insurance, and risk management*
- ❖ *Participation of women in agriculture and agribusiness*
- ❖ *Supply chains in agribusiness*
- ❖ *Innovations in agribusiness*
- ❖ *Rural development and agribusiness*
- ❖ *Farmer Organizations*
- ❖ *Trends in Agricultural Marketing*
- ❖ *Entrepreneurship and Agri-Industry development*
- ❖ *Empowerment of Farmers*
- ❖ *Farm tourism*
- ❖ *Information and communication technologies (ICT) in Agribusiness*

## SESSIONS

The programme will be conducted virtually as a series of webinar covering the following sessions

- *Technical session*
- *Students’ oral presentation*

## ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

Original abstracts of research on the theme of the conference or related to some aspects of the theme are to be submitted as MS word document with maximum 250 words. Abstract should include the title, name of author, affiliation and 3-4 key words. Font: 12 point Times New Roman. Prepare Abstract according to the guideline and send to the email: safeconference2021@gmail.com, not later than 19 February 2021.

## PAPER SUBMISSION

All submitted abstracts will be peer reviewed and the final decision on the paper selection will be informed within 7 days of its submission. Authors whose abstracts have been accepted may submit a full length paper. For full length paper, use the font 12 point Times New Roman and paragraph single spaced. Paper length shall be limited to 12 pages including references and tables/charts. Authors can submit the full length paper of the accepted abstract on or before 12th march 2021. Accepted full length papers will be published in the form of edited book.

## REGISTRATION

All delegates and participants are required to register. The registration details and the link for online registration form will be available at the Mahatma Gandhi University website ([www.mgu.ac.in](http://www.mgu.ac.in)). There is no registration fee for the conference and e-certificates will be provided to the participants.

### *Dates to remember:*

Commencement of Registration	: 12-02-2021
Submission deadline of abstract	: 19-02-2021
Submission deadline of full paper	: 12-03-2021
Closing date of registration	: 12-03-2021

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