SECTION		AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY SCIENCES
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		January 04, 2012
14:00 – 17:30		
Venue	:	Campus-5, Hall-10, KIIT University
Chair	:	Prof. M. S. Swaminathan, Chairman, MSSRF, Chennai
Presidential Address	:	Ajay Parida, Executive Director, MSSRF, Chennai Role of Agriculture in Alleviating Poverty and Malnutrition
Keynote Address	:	Swapan K. Datta, DDG (Crops), ICAR, New Delhi Genetic Approaches for enhancing Crop Productivity
Symposium on "Globally Important Agriculture Heritage Systems"	:	 Dr. Alexander Mueller, ADG, FAO, Rome Dr. Shantanu Mathur, IFAD, Rome Dr. Parviz Koohafkhan, FAO, Rome Dr. P. L. Gautam, PPVFRA, New Delhi Dr. K. U. K. Nampoothiri, MSSRF, Jeypore Dr. RamosdelaCruz, Mary Jane, FAO Mr. Sachin Jadav, Collector, Koraput
SECTIONAL COMMITTEE ELECTION		
11.00 17.00		January 05, 2012
14:00 – 17.30 Venue	:	Campus-5, Hall-10, KIIT University
Platinum Jubilee Lecture	:	K.C. Bansal, NBPGR, New Delhi Abiotic Stress Tolerance: Genes, Genomics and Genetic Engineering

Sushil Kumar Mukherjee Commemoration Lecture		Akhilesh Tyagi, NIPGR, New Delhi Improvement of Water-Deficit and Salinity Stress Response of Rice
Pran Vohra Award Lecture	:	K. Prabhakara Rao, CTRI, Rajmuhendry Characterization of Mitogen Activated Protein Kinase gene family in Oryza sativa
Young Scientist Award presentation	:	Vigya Kesari, IIT, Guwahati Coordinated changes during seed development and germination in candidate plus tree of P. pinnata, a versatile biodiesel legume as revealed by morphological, biochemical and ultrastructural studies
Oral Presentations	:	A.K. Patra, P.J. Mishra, B.B Behera, S. Das and B.P. Gantayat, OUAT, Bhubaneswar Performance of short duration fruit and medicinal crops under agri-silvicultural agroforestry system
	•	H. Pathak, S. Sankhyan, D.S. Dubey, A. Bhatia and N. Jain, IARI, New Delhi Dry direct-seeding of rice for mitigating greenhouse gas emission
	:	R.K. Panda, D. Halder and C.K. Das, IIT, Kharagpur Appropriate agronomic and irrigation management strategies for Potato under Climate Change scenario
	:	Suja George, and Ajay Parida, MSSRF, Chennai Molecular dissection of stress tolerant plant Prosopis juliflora for understanding pathways of plant abiotic stress tolerance
	:	Sutapa Datta, Tapas K. Bandhopadhya, Rajeev K. Varshney and Nagendra K. Singh, IARI, New Delhi Transferability of pigeonpea SSR markers across eight genera of Papilionoideae subfamily for elucidates legume evolution
	:	Suvendu Das, and T.K. Adhya, CRRI, Cuttack Effect of Elevated Co ₂ , Temperature on Methanotrophy and Methanotrophic Diversity in a Tropical Paddy

	:	Latha Rangan, Vigya Kesari, Madurai S. Vinod and Ajay Parida, IIT, Guwahati Molecular markers based characterization in versatile forest tree species, P. pinnata
	:	Prikhshayat Singh, Hendrik Fuhrs and Walter J. Horst, IARI, New Delhi Isolation of ascorbate peroxidase from rice and cowpea cultivars
	:	R. Dhandapani, and Ambika Rajendran IARI, New Delhi Differential accumulation of β-carotene and tissue specific expression of Phytoene Synthase (MaPsy) gene in major Indian Banana (Musa sp) cultivars
	:	R.K. Mishra, P.K. Nanda, B.K. Patra, A. Dash and R.C. Mohanty, North Orissa University, Baripada Population structure of dominant tree species in tropical deciduous forest covers of Chandaka Dampara wildlife sanctuary, Orissa, India
	:	S.S. Satapathy, D.K. Swain and M. Ghosh IIT, Kharagpur Growth, phenology and yield of Rice crop under elevated CO ₂ and rising temperature in Eastern India
C	onc	urrent Poster Session –I

January 06, 2012		
14:00 – 17:30		
Venue		Campus-5, Hall-10, KIIT University
Invited Lectures	•	Dinabandhu Sahoo, University of Delhi, Delhi Sea Farming: An alternate and additional source of livelihood for women in coastal India
	•	Baishnab C. Tripathy, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi Increasing Nitrogen Use Efficiency and Protein Contents of Plants - A Transgenic Approach
	:	D. Joseph Bagyaraj , Centre for Natural Biological Resources and Community Development, Bangalore

		Arbuscular Mycorrhizal Fungi for Sustainable Agriculture, Horticulture and Forestry
	:	Surya N. Acharya, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada Research Centre, Alberta, Canada Forage crop research will improve life in our industrialized planet and help sustainability of agriculture.
Oral Presentations	:	Mausumi Raychaudhuri, D.K. Kundu, Sucharita Mohapatra, K.G. Mandal, G. Kar, Ashwani Kumar, K.M. Nair, R.S. Singh, D.K. Pal, S.K. Ray, Dipak Sarkar and T. Bhattacharya, Directorate of Water Management (ICAR), Bhubaneswar Prediction of Saturated Hydraulic Conductivity of Black Soils through Determination of Particle Size Distribution and Irrigation Water Requirement for Cotton
	:	R. Mahender Kumar, K. Surekha, Ch. Padmavathi, L.V. Subbarao, V.R. Babu, P. Muthuraman, S. Gopalakrishnan V. Vinod Goud and B.C. Viraktamath Directorate of Rice Research, Hyderabad Research experiences and potential of system of Rice intensification - status in India, impact and future directions
	:	Priyanka Suryavanshi, and Y.V. Singh, IARI, New Delhi Analyzing the pattern of methane emission and water productivity under different methods of crop establishment
	:	Anuprita Ray, A. Pattnaik, K.C. Samal and G.R. Rout, OUAT, Bhubaneswar Assessment of genetic diversity of sesamum (Sesamum indicum L.), genotypes using inter simple sequence repeat markers
	:	G.J.N. Rao, CRRI, Cuttack Hastening the breeding cycle through doubled haploid approach
	:	Tapan Adhikari , Indian Institute of Soil Science, Bhopal Characterization of titanium nano particles: pH and

		humic acid interaction
	:	Gurpreet Singh, Dr. S.S. Dhaliwal , B.D. Sharma and U.S. Sadana, PAU, Ludhiana Surface and subsurface distribution of Zn, Cu, Fe and Mn as influenced by different cropping systems in Typic Ustocrepts soils of Punjab, India
	:	Sunita Sahoo, A.B. Das and G.R. Rout, OUAT, Bhubaneswar Efficient screening for resistance to Iron toxicity in medium and low land rice varieties of Orissa
	:	Sonali Pradhan, Anuj Kumar Singh and A.K. Sahoo OUAT, Bhubaneswar Terrestrial carbon sequestration-Strategy for conservation and management
	:	M. Bharathalakshmi, T. Chitkala Devi, N.V. Naidu and M.B.G.S. Kumari, Acharya N.G.Ranga Agricultural University, Hyderabad Influence of spacing, seed rate and nitrogen levels on yield and quality of sugarcane under pit method of planting
	:	Trupti Mohapatra, G.N. Hariharan and Ajay Parida MSSRF, Chennai Characterization of a novel cytosolic Glutathione Stransferase from lichen Roccella montagnei (Bél.) emend. Awas. and its role in abiotic stress tolerance in plants
	:	R. Rengalakshmi, R. Seenivasan and S. Malarvannan, MSSRF, Chennai Community based strategies for Management of Coffee berry borer under organic production Systems
Co	ncu	rrent Poster Session –II

January 07, 2012		
14:00 – 16:00		
Venue		Campus-5, Hall-10, KIIT University
Oral Presentations	:	Mukesh Kumar Sinha, P. Nanda and Ashwani Kumar, Directorate of Water Management (ICAR), Bhubaneswar Dimensions of Rural Poverty in Orissa: Macro Analysis and some case studies
	:	Gitishree Das, D. Prasad, B.C. Marndi, H.N. Thatoi and G.J.N. Rao, CRRI, Cuttack Gene stacking in rice through marker assisted selection
	:	Meera Kumari Kar, A. Swain, R. Mishra, S. Samal, D. Prasad, S. Mohanty, S.K. Singh and G.J.N. Rao CRRI, Cuttack Molecular characterization and mapping of resistance to Rice Tungro Disease
	:	Susanta Sekhar Chaudhury, Alok kumar Badoghar, Kartik Charan Lenka and Shenaz Ara, MSSRF, Jeypore Strengthening of local Institutions for conservation and Commercialization of rice landraces: Koraput, Odisha
	:	M.S. Hadda, R.S.S. Hopper and S.S. Aulakh PAU, Ludhiana Water Management in upper watersheds of N-W Tract of India: Some key opportunities and challenges
	:	Sanjay K. Ojha, Snehasish Mishra, P.K. Mohanty,

	Vijay K. Malesu and Mrutyunjay Suar KIIT University, Bhubaneswar Biogas production potentials of kitchen waste— a feasibility study
:	Md. Takhlique, and K.B. Sharma Magadh University, Bodh-Gaya, Bihar Some Biochemical investigations in relation to different diseases among the mulberry silkworm, Bombyx mori L.
	Ranjan Bhattacharyya, IARI, New Delhi Adoption of conservation tillage improves soil aggregation and soil organic carbon pools in a sandy clay loam soil of the Indian Himalayas
:	Anand Sagar, Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla Study on Fungal Associates of Two Medicinal plants, Azadirachta indica and Acacia catechu
•	S. Kundu, S. Paul and S. Kundagrami Calcutta University, Kolkata Screening for high productive and good quality rice varieties and management for increase productivity for coastal saline belt of West Bengal
	Sandhimita Mondal, and Biplab Kr. Chatterjee Visva-Bharati University, Santiniketan Isolation and partial characterization of a free living nitrogen fixing, phosphate solubilizing and salt tolerant bacteria from the coastal area of West Bengal
•	Saujanendra Swain, and Kartik Lenka MSSRF, Jeypore Quantitative assessment and mapping of plant resources of eastern ghats in Southern Orissa
:	N. Parasuraman, and S. Rajalakshmi, MSSRF, Chennai Addressing the Agricultural crises by training & transforming Youth in rural India
:	G. Krishna Kumar, R.K. Sairam and Lekshmy S. IARI, New Delhi Role of heat shock transcription factors and heat

	shock proteins in high temperature tolerance of wheat genotypes	
GENERAL DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS		