

Final Announcement



GLOBAL CONFERENCE ON WOMEN IN AGRICULTURE

13-15 March 2012
NASC Complex, New Delhi, India

Organizers

Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR)
Asia-Pacific Association of Agricultural Research Institutions (APAARI)
with support from GFAR under Gender in Agriculture Partnership

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Empowering women for inclusive growth in agriculture is one of the global agenda. Therefore, it has become necessary for the scientists, policy makers, development professionals and the civil society organizations to understand the issues in national, regional and global context and share their knowledge and experiences to design more focused action for enhancing and harnessing the capability of women who are an important human resource for agriculture especially in the developing countries.

In this context, the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) and Asia Pacific Association of Agricultural Research Institutions (APAARI) are jointly organizing Global Conference on Women in Agriculture (GCWA) on 13-15 March 2012 at National Agricultural Science Centre Complex, Pusa, New Delhi, India in Co-sponsorship with, GFAR, FAO, IDRC, CGIAR, USAID, ACIAR, ADB, BMGF, TAAS and RAGA.

GOAL

Empowering Women for Inclusive Growth in Agriculture

OBJECTIVES

- To discuss and deliberate the prevailing and emerging gender related issues in agriculture and food systems and derive lessons learned for future sustainable development,
- To take stock of evidence on experience in enhancing the role of women in agriculture,
- To understand the approaches and mechanisms adopted by international organizations, regional fora, nation states and their stakeholders including civil society and the private sector for empowering women and addressing gender related issues in agriculture,
- To collate lessons on strategies for strengthening gender research in agriculture to make technology generation and dissemination, agricultural planning and policy making gender sensitive and disseminate them through a variety of products, services and tools, and
- To develop a Framework for Action to integrate and empower women for inclusive growth and

development through an enduring global partnership program on gender in agriculture ensuring that:

- (i) *New knowledge and experiences are shared from cross-country programs as well as inter-regional/global successes concerning the role of women in agriculture,*
- (ii) *Gaps and needs in policies and institutions, research, education and extension are identified in issues related to women's role in agriculture,*
- (iii) *Technological and institutional innovations better meet the needs of farm women,*
- (iv) *Strategies are developed and implemented for addressing gender issues in agriculture at the local, national, regional and global level, and*
- (v) *Support is generated for these actions.*

THEMES

1. Assessing Women's Empowerment in Agriculture
2. Agricultural Innovations for Reducing Drudgery
3. Linking Women to Markets
4. Role of Women in Household Food and Nutritional Security
5. Access to Assets, Resources and Knowledge: Policies and Services
6. Impact and Responses to Climate Change Related Risks and Uncertainties

In addition, Working Group discussions to develop a Framework for Action on Engendering Agricultural Research, Education and Extension will also be held.

PARTICIPANTS

The participants will include researchers, academicians, gender experts, representatives of UN organizations, CGIAR Centers, officials from Ministries of Agriculture, Rural Development, Women and Child Development, Science and Technology, Human Resource Development, Ministers of Governments and Chief Executive Officers of business corporate houses, NGOs and farm women innovators. About 300 participants are expected to attend the Conference.

VENUE

The Global Conference will be held at the National Agricultural Science Centre (NASC) Complex, Dev Prakash Shastri Marg, near Todapur, Pusa Campus, New Delhi - 110012, India. New Delhi is well connected by rail, road and air. Indira Gandhi International Airport is 40



minutes drive (20 KM) from the venue of the Conference. The location map of the Conference venue can be seen at: <http://www.gcwa.in/venue.htm>

WEATHER AND TIME ZONE

In March, the expected temperature will be 30 °C (86 °F) during the day and 16 °C (60 °F) during the night. Delhi falls in time zone of +5.30 GMT.

LANGUAGE

English is the official language of the Conference.

CALL FOR PAPERS

The Conference will have (i) invited papers for oral presentation, and (ii) contributory papers for poster presentation.

Guidelines for invited papers

The extended summary of the invited papers may be prepared as per the guidelines given below:

- MS Word document
- Abstract: 500 words
- Line spacing: 1.5
- Font: Times New Roman
- Title: 14 point bold capital
- Author's name (designation, organization and place): 10 point italic
- Main headings: 12 point bold capital
- Running text: 12 point normal

Guidelines for contributory papers for poster presentation

Participants are encouraged to contribute papers for poster presentation. An abstract will have to be submitted in advance for evaluation by a Committee of Experts for selection for the poster presentation. The abstract may be prepared as per the guidelines given above limiting the word count to 250 words and indicating the theme in which the participant wishes to present the poster.

Abstracts are to be sent **online** at <http://www.gcwa.in> or by **email** at: gcwa2012@gmail.com **with a copy to:** nrcwa@nic.in

POSTER PRESENTATION

Poster should be prepared as per the following format:

- Poster size : 80 cm (width) x 90 cm (height)
- Poster title: Font size: 40- 45 point Capital
- Author(s) and address(organization, place and e-mail): below the title (font size: 18- 20 point)

- Sub-heading: Font size: 28-30 point Capital
- Running text: Font size: 22-25 point
- Use diagrams, graphs, figures and photographs

REGISTRATION

Participants are requested to register in advance either by submitting the duly filled in registration form (attached), online (www.gcwa.in) or by sending it through e-mail to the Organizing Secretary on or before the last date with a copy to gcwa2012@gmail.com.

Mode of payment

The registration fee should be paid in the form of -

- Demand draft drawn in favor of Trust for Advancement of Agricultural Sciences (TAAS) payable at New Delhi 110012, India and send to Trust for Advancement of Agricultural Sciences (TAAS), Avenue-II, Indian Agricultural Research Institute, Pusa Campus, New Delhi 110012, India.
or
- Online in TAAS Savings Bank A/c No: 90292010085467 (payable at New Delhi). IFS CODE: SYNB0009029 of Syndicate Bank, Pusa Campus, New Delhi 110012, India. International Delegates registering from outside through online payment have to use the SWIFT Code SYNBINBB019

Registration fee

	By 20 Feb 2012	After 20 Feb 2012
International participants:	USD 300	USD 350
Indian participant	INR 3000	INR 4000
Indian student participants	INR 1500	INR 2000

Those who wish to participate without a paper can also register following the above procedure.

ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation for Indian delegates has been arranged in the guest houses of ICAR institutes in Pusa Campus and private hotels. For accommodation, delegates may contact the following persons:

M P S Arya	:	ommpsarya@yahoo.co.in
N V Kumbhare	:	+91 9968020172
J P S Dabas	:	+91 9968761898



For international participants, bulk booking has been made at the following hotels:

(i) THE ASHOK, New Delhi.

Contact person: Mr. Vishal Sharma
at: roomreservations@theashok.com;
ashokmarketing@gmail.com
Phone: +91-11-26110101, 26116161
Fax: +91-11-26876060, 26873216.

(ii) JAYPEE SIDDARTH, New Delhi

Contact person: Ms. Shweta Verma, Assistant Manager
Sales at shwetav@jaypeehotels.com,
Phone: +91-11-25760000, +91-9871790285 (M)
Fax: +91-11-25781016

Both these hotels will make arrangement for picking up from the Airport. Accommodation charges have to be borne by the participants unless sponsored by the organizers.

The participants are advised to communicate their travel plan and accommodation details (if already made) or send their requirement in advance to the Conference Secretariat. For VISA, international participants may contact Indian High Commission in their respective countries.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The information regarding airport arrival procedure, local transport, currency, banking facility, shopping, sightseeing, medical facility etc. is available on the Conference website: www.gcwa.in

IMPORTANT DATES

Submission of registration : February 10, 2012
form and abstract for
Poster Session

Payment of registration fee : February 20, 2012

Submission of information : February 29, 2012
regarding travel plan and
accommodation

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