

SECOND NATIONAL CONFERENCE  
ON  
**Agro-Informatics and Precision Farming**  
December 2-3, 2009



**ORGANIZERS**

Indian Society of Agricultural Information Technology (INSAIT), Dharwad  
&  
College of Agriculture, Raichur

**COLLABORATORS**



University of Agricultural Sciences,  
Raichur



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**Venue:** New Auditorium, UAS, Raichur, Karnataka, India

## **Invitation**

**Dear Sir/Madam,**

The members of the Organizing Committee have the pleasure of inviting you to participate in the Second National Conference on “Agro-Informatics and Precision Farming” at the University of Agricultural Sciences, Raichur, Karnataka, India from 2-3, December, 2009.

The Conference aims at providing a unique spectrum of scientific programme by enabling Agricultural and IT Professionals to discuss various issues of common interests. The Conference is expected to focus on the numerous developments in the important areas of Agro – Informatics and Precision Farming relevant in the present agricultural scenario. Further, this Conference would prompt and stimulate scientists, extension agencies, farmers and agribusiness institutions to address the crucial economic and environmental issues pertaining to Agro-Informatics and Precision Farming.

The Organizing Committee is making arrangements to the participants for a pleasant stay and to create a perfect environment for successful and productive event. Scientists working in any of the theme areas are invited to participate in the Conference and explore the scientific excellence in emerging areas of Agro-Informatics and Precision Farming. Around 200 delegates from different parts of the country and few overseas participants are expected to participate in the Conference.

Looking forward to your participation.

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## Conference Participation and Submission of Abstracts

Participation is open to scientists working in the R & D institutions, NARS (ICAR & SAUs) and industry representatives. Interested participants are invited to contribute papers for oral/poster presentation. Abstract of the paper (about 250 words) should be prepared in MS-Word and sent by e-mail to [insaitacr@gmail.com](mailto:insaitacr@gmail.com) as file attachment. Only one paper per participant will be accepted for presentation.

## Themes of the Conference:

- 1) Remote Sensing, GIS and GPS techniques for Precision Farming
- 2) Diagnostics and Decision Support Systems (DSS)
- 3) e-Education in Agriculture
- 4) e- Extension in Agriculture
- 5) Socio-economic issues of Agro-Informatics and Precision Farming

## Registration

All the participants must register by paying the Registration fee. The registered delegates would be entitled to admission to opening session, entrance to all scientific sessions, conference materials, morning and afternoon tea/coffee/lunch and dinner. **The details of registration fee are given below \*** :

<b>Overseas participants</b>	<b>Upto 25<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2009</b>	<b>Spot registration</b>
Full delegate	\$ 200	\$ 250
Accompanying person / Student	\$ 50	\$ 50
<b>Participants from India</b>		
Full delegate	Rs. 1500	Rs. 2000
Accompanying person / Student	Rs. 500	Rs. 500

(\* Life members of INSAIT, Dharwad are entitled to a discount of Rs.300 in the registration fee.)

All Payments should be made through Demand Draft drawn in favour of the President, INSAIT, Raichur. Overseas participants can send banker's cheque.

## Important Dates

### Deadlines

Submission of Abstracts	10 <sup>th</sup> November, 2009
Acceptance Notification	12 <sup>th</sup> November, 2009
Registration starts	15 <sup>th</sup> November, 2009
Submission of full paper	20 <sup>th</sup> November, 2009
Booking of Accommodation	25 <sup>th</sup> November, 2009

## Sponsorship:

Different companies, organizations and individuals interested in sponsoring may do so as per the details given below; (DD in favour of President, INSAIT, Raichur)

**Platinum : Rs. 50,000.00 ; Gold : Rs. 25,000.00; Silver : Rs. 10,000.00**

## ***About the organizers***

The event will be organized jointly by the Indian Society of Agricultural Information Technology (INSAIT), Dharwad and College of Agriculture, Raichur in collaboration with the University of Agricultural Sciences, Raichur, Karnataka and International Crop Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT), Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh, India.

### **Indian Society of Agricultural Information Technology (INSAIT) ([www.insait.org](http://www.insait.org))**

The Indian Society of Agricultural Information Technology is a Professional non-profit organization registered in the year 2000 with the following major objectives.

1. To provide a forum for information exchange and dissemination of agricultural information technology.
2. To encourage teaching, research and extension activities in all aspects of agricultural IT.
3. To mobilize farmers, scientists, institutions and organizations to promote agricultural IT.

The INSAIT is affiliated to the Asian Federation for Information Technology in Agriculture (AFITA), Japan. The INSAIT successfully organized the **First National Conference on Agro-Informatics (NCAI) during 2001 and the Fifth International Conference of the Asian Federation for Information Technology in Agriculture during 2006.**

At present INSAIT is privileged to have the patron membership of Karnataka State Remote Sensing Application Centre (KSRSAC), Bangalore and University of Agricultural Sciences (UAS), Raichur. UAS, Dharwad, UAS Bangalore, Karnataka State Seed Corporation, Institution of Agricultural Technologists, Bangalore are some of the other prominent institutional members.

### **College of Agriculture, Raichur**

The history of the campus of College of Agriculture, Raichur goes back to establishment of a dry land research station on 132 acres of land donated by the then Nizam of Hyderabad, during 1932. The College of Agriculture at Raichur was established in 1984 under the erstwhile, UAS, Bangalore and was brought under the jurisdiction of UAS, Dharwad during 1986. The Post Graduate programme in Agriculture was initiated during 1995. At present it is under the newly established University at Raichur with a mandate of imparting education to students in agriculture and allied fields to improve the standard of living of farming community in Hyderabad-Karnataka region. The College of Agriculture at Raichur is celebrating Silver Jubilee during 2009 with 25 years of meaningful and fruitful existence in the region foreseeing a bright future for graduates of UAS, Raichur in general and farming community in particular.

The Raichur city is the head quarters of the Raichur district well connected by road and rail. The nearest airport is Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh which is 200 km away from Raichur. It is a historical place ruled by Vijayanagara and Bahamani kingdoms. The region is regarded as Rice bowl of Karnataka.

## Registration Form

**Name (BLOCK LETTERS)** : .....

**Gender** : M [ ] F [ ] **Age:** .....

**Designation** : .....

**Institution** : .....

**Address for Correspondence** : .....

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**Tel. No.** : ..... **Fax:** .....

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### Nature of Participation:

(i) Oral Presentation [ ] (ii) Poster Presentation [ ]

**Title of the Paper**.....

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### Details of Demand Draft\*:

**D/D No.** ..... **Dated**.....

**Bank**.....

(\*Demand Draft in favour of the President, INSAIT, Raichur)

### Tour itinerary

### Arrival

### Departure

**Date:**

**Time:**

**Mode (Road/Rail/Air):**

**Accommodation Details: (Please tick)**

### Hotel Tariff (Rs.)\*

HOTEL	SINGLE	DOUBLE	AC	DELUXE
PRIYA	250	350	700	750
KUBERA	----	----	849	1800
NRUPATUNGA	375	575	850	1295
SLV	250	400	676	770

\* Taxes extra