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on

Rural Transformation and Sustainable Agri-food System through Community Based Organisation (CBO) Oriented Extension Strategy

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In the changing rural scenario, the Community Based Organisation (CBO) is emerging as the key player in rural poverty alleviation and ensuring food security through transformation. In India more than 70 per cent of the population dwells in villages. According to the 2011 census there are about 6, 38,596 villages constituting more than 100 crores population. Even after 70 years of independence, the people in villages are found to be economically backward, socially oppressed, culturally suppressed and in general deprived of facilities like health, education, transportation, and communication. Consequently, they are prone to poverty, illiteracy, ignorance and other exploitations. So, to work with the people at the rural areas for unleashing the essence of developmental services requires the existence and strengthening of Community Based Organisation (CBO). A community-based organization is an organization that provides social services at the local level. It is a non-profit organisation whose activities are based primarily on voluntary efforts. Community based organizations are answer to the capabilities of communities to respond to various risks and adapt to changing conditions. Firstly, strong organizations at the local level help communities to coordinate actions and take joint decisions. Well organized communities are always in a better position to manage their natural resources in a sustainable manner, and act in response to external shocks, including those related with poverty. In addition, a community-based organization is a foundation that enables local communities to voice and enforce their interests to influence the decision-making process at higher level and to make the policy makers accountable. Through strong community-based organization, communities are more successful in seeking support for adaptation in the form of financial flows, information and capacity building etc. Sustainable agrifood systems are critical to averting climate-driven social and ecological disasters, overcoming the growth paradigm, and redefining the interactions of humanity and nature in the twenty-first century. The endurance of small-scale agroecological production systems around the world is evidence of their continuing importance to household consumption, community livelihood and cultural identity as well as surrounding landscapes and ecologies.

Community Based Organizations (CBOs) are not for profit; organizations at local and national level facilitating

community efforts for community development. CBOs works through people-centred modes of development ensuring availability of micro-finance, quality participation in development leading to improved community health, education, and infrastructures over time. The purpose of CBOs is to plan, implement, and monitor social and economic development programs and provide technical and financial help to the communities. CBOs positively affects the process of rural change i.e. increase in income, improvement in health, nutrition and literacy status of the populations through programs on micro-enterprise, health and education, sustainable agriculture, animal husbandry, safe water and sanitation etc.

Assuring the social, economic, and ecological future of human and non-human life depends on changing dominant agrifood systems as well as dominant agrifood systems research and education. Advancing our understanding of existing agrifood system solutions helps stakeholders identify innovative solution options, support maintaining present solutions, test solution plans, optimize implementation efforts and verify solution outcomes before, during and after implementation. In such a resilient situation, the CBOs can play a pivotal role as extension service provider related to food, health, and education of the rural people for sustainable agrifood system and rural development.

Themes of the Congress

Theme 1: Emerging experiences on CBOs' intervention and Sustainable Agri-food Systems

Sub –Themes-

1. Global scenario on involvement of CBOs in Extension
2. Global trends of Sustainable Agri-food Systems
3. Technological improvement for sustainable agri-food systems
4. Technology/input linkages and market integration
5. Promotional strategies of CBOs
6. Successful cases for formation and sustenance of CBOs
7. Case studies on CBOs engaged in exports and imports of products and services,
8. Capacity building and networking of CBOs: India and Abroad
9. Farm Advisories through IT Platforms
10. Promoting agriculture based rural enterprises through secondary agriculture
11. Utilization of CBO as tool for rural transformation: Empowerment, strategies and experiences.
12. Effectiveness of CBO as an extension strategy

Theme 2: Recent Trends in Agri. and Resource Management

Sub-Themes-

1. Land use Planning and Management and, Solar Farming
2. Climate Resilient Agri. and Abiotic Stress Management
3. Nutrient Management and Nano Fertilizer use
4. Organic Farming/Natural Farming
5. Participatory Watershed Management
6. Weed Management and Bio-waste Management
7. Animal Resource Management
8. Solid waste management
9. Regional and community governance
10. Management of common property by CBOs
11. Management of unused land under Govt. organization

Theme-3: Bio-diversity and Resource Conservation, Livelihood and Food Security towards Sustainable Agri-food Systems

Sub-Themes-

1. Conservation Agriculture and Resource Conservation Technologies in Agriculture
2. Crop Diversification
3. Development of Integrated Farming Systems
4. Integrated Water Management & Waste Water Utilization
5. Mainstreaming Rainfed / Dryland Farming and Agricultural Disaster Management
6. Management of Problematic Soils – Saline, Alkaline, Acid and Waterlogged Soils
7. Environment Pollution and Disaster monitoring and Management

Theme-4: Advances in Social Management in Agriculture and Allied Sciences

Sub-Themes-

1. Smart Agriculture and Precision Agriculture
2. Transfer of Technology for Resource Management
3. Attracting and Retaining Youth in Agriculture
4. Farmers' Organisation and Resource Management
5. Women Empowerment, Social Justice and Resource Management
6. Gender, Environment and Development
7. Conservation and Sustainability of Environmental Resources
8. Disaster Management
9. Farm Mechanization and Post-harvest Technologies to enhance farm income
10. Environmental, Social and Business Ethics

11. Rural Innovation
12. Market Led Extension and Public Private Partnership
13. Rural Entrepreneurship, and Tribal Development

Theme- 5: Capacity Building to Address Diverse Resource Management Issues towards Sustainable Agri-food Systems

Sub-Themes-

1. Advisory and technical support to programme/project design, implementation, monitoring of CBO and its sustainability
2. Policy dialogue, advocacy and awareness-raising on CBOs' interventions
3. Information-sharing and collaboration among stakeholders
4. Knowledge management for environmental sustainability
5. Regional, National and Global partnerships on Diverse Resource Management

Theme- 6: Community based Farming System for Nutrition - Achieving Nutritional Security for the Farm Families and Community

Sub-Themes-

1. Nutritional Security of Child and Women – programs and strategies
2. Farming System for Nutrition – Farm families in rural and urban sectors
3. National and International programs and strategies for Nutritional Security of the people
4. Models and Themes of the Nutritionally Enriched Crops and Animal Components

PARTICIPANTS

The Congress will be opened to scientists, scholars, teachers, extension professionals, field functionaries, administrators, policy makers, farmers, students, corporate representatives, industries, and media persons including other stakeholders involved in agriculture and rural development from public and private sectors.

Dates of Congress: December 18-20, 2023

Mode of Presentation : Hybrid Mode

Venue: Rajasthan Agricultural Research Institute (RARI), Tonk Road, opp. Radisson Blu, Durgapura, Jaipur, Rajasthan

Participation details

You can participate in the Ist IEEC by contributing Working papers, Research papers, Review papers, Policy papers, Concept papers, Success stories related to congress themes in soft copy. Abstract containing not more than

300 words may be sent up to September 30, 2023 and the lead papers may be sent on or before October 15, 2023.

The full-length papers have to be submitted latest by October 15, 2023, along with registration fee. Theme-based papers will be screened for publication after the congress is over. Registration form is available on our website.

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Note: In addition to Young Scientist Award, the incumbent reached to the age of 45 years on 31 July, 2020 may also apply for this award as the Society was unable to confer this award due to the sudden outbreak of Covid-pandemic.

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Accommodation for the participants will be arranged in nearby Hotels only on their confirmation for the participation in advance. Alternatively, you can also book accommodation on your initiative. The cost of lodging has to be met by the participants themselves. Registration fee is to be directly deposited in SEE Account on our website on or before September 30, 2023.

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Delegates	: Rs. 6000/-
Student delegates	: Rs. 4000/-
Retired Persons	: Rs. 1000/-
Each Accompanying person	: Rs. 3000/-
Foreign delegate	: \$ 400/-
Spot Registration	: Rs. 8000/-

Dates to Remember

Conference dates	: December 18-20, 2023
Submission of abstracts	: September 30, 2023
Submission of papers	: October 15, 2023
Application for award	: September 15, 2023

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