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National Webinar On Plant Biosecurity Strategies for Sustainable Plant Health : Protect Domestic Plant Health, Promote Export



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National Institute of Plant Health Management (NIPHM) is a premier autonomous Institute under Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmer's Welfare, Government of India established in the year 2008 with the expanded scope of promoting environmentally sustainable Plant Health Management practices.



About a free webinar:

The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) estimates that up to 40% of food crops are lost to plant pests and diseases annually. This leaves millions of people without enough food to eat and seriously damages agriculture – the primary source of income for poor rural communities.



The current COVID-19 outbreak experience highlights the need to ensure that plants are protected from the ravages of plant pests. Therefore, ensuring safe supply of fresh food and protecting plants from pests is now more important than ever. Hence, The United Nations has declared 2020 as the International Year of Plant Health (IYPH). The main focus is to prevent the plant pest and diseases because they have the greatest impact on our crop, on our environment and our way of life.

Plant health is a global issue. The recent incursion of many invasive pests such as tomato pin worm (*Tuta absoluta*), rugose spiralling whitefly (*Aleurodicus rugioperculatus*), fall army worm (*Spodoptera frugiperda*) and Bondar's nestling whitefly (*Paraleyrodes bondari*) make huge loss to farmers in terms of crop loss. The exponential expansion of trade in agricultural material and the speed at which the agricultural products are moving around the globe, coupled with the removal of trade restrictions in post-WTO era, the chance of pests, diseases and harmful organisms to move to hitherto unrecorded areas are high. There is an urgent need to protect the biosecurity of a nation from the bio-invaders to sustain food security and preserve biodiversity.



The International Year of Plant Health (IYPH) 2020, FAO and the International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC) are working to protect plant health worldwide. National Institute of Plant Health, Rajendranagar, is very proud to celebrate International Year of Plant Health. In this regard, a free webinar on **“Biosecurity Strategies for Sustainable Plant Health”** is planned to create awareness to safeguard the plant from the exotic and established pests.

Let us all join our hands to create **“Pest Free World to Enhance Food Security of the Nation”**

Date: 29th August 2020 (Saturday)

Time: 10:00 AM to 13:30 PM

Program Schedule

Inaugural address	Smt. G Jayalakshmi, IAS Director General, National Institute of Plant Health Management, Hyderabad	10:00 to 10:30AM
Plant biosecurity for global food security	Dr. J. Alice. R. P. Sujeetha, Director, (Plant Biosecurity) National Institute of Plant Health Management, Hyderabad	10.30 to 11.15AM
Plant Biosecurity regulations in prospective of major export of agricultural commodities	Sh. Niraj Kumar Singh, Assistant Director, Directorate of Plant Protection, Quarantine & Storage.	11.15 to 12.00 PM
Issues of Phytosanitary certificate and Post Entry Quarantine of agricultural commodities in trade	Dr K. S. Varaprasad (Superannuated as Director of IIOR and Officer Incharge of NBPGR, Hyderabad)	12.00 to 12.45 PM
Phytosanitary treatments for safe and scientific movement of plant and plant products and other regulated articles in international trade	Dr. Girish. AG, Deputy Director (PP) National Institute of Plant Health Management, Hyderabad	12.45 to 13.30 PM

Patron: Director General, Smt. G Jayalakshmi, IAS

Convener: Dr. J Alice. R.P. Sujeetha, Director, (Plant Biosecurity)

Coordinators: Dr. Girish AG, Deputy Director (Plant Pathology) and Dr Pyla Jyothi, Assistant Director (Pest Surveillance).

Cordially invite you to participate in the National Webinar. Participation certificate will be given to all the participants who attend all the sessions. Feedback form has to be filled and submitted for receiving the certificate.

Registration Fee: Nil

Registration link: <http://14.139.92.166/otr>

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