

India-Africa Partnership in Agriculture

7 June 2019

Juniper Hall, India Habitat Centre Lodhi Road, New Delhi

AGENDA

9:30 to 10:00	Registration
10:00 to 10:45	Inaugural Session
	<p>Welcome Address: Prof. Sachin Chaturvedi, Director General, RIS Dr. Nafees Meah, South Asia Representative, IRRI</p> <p>Chair: H.E. Mr. Ben Joubert, Acting High Commissioner, South African High Commission, New Delhi</p> <p>Special Remarks by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr. Abdelbagi M Ismail, Regional Representative for Eastern and Southern Africa, IRRI <p>Inaugural Address: Shri. Sanjay Agarwal, Secretary, Department of Agriculture Cooperation and Farmers' Welfare</p>
10:45 to 11:00	Tea Break

11:00 to 12:00	Session 1: India-Africa Cooperation in Agriculture: Prospects and Challenges
	<p>Chair: Dr. Suresh Pal, Director, ICAR-National Institute of Agricultural Economics and Policy Research</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Shashank Mauria, Former ADG (IR), ICAR • Dr. Hameed Nuru, Representative and Country Director, World Food Programme (WFP) – India • Dr. Arvind Kumar, Director, South Asia Regional Centre, IRRI • Dr. Dinesh Chauhan, Director & CEO, International Agriculture Consulting Group
12:00 to 13:00	Session 2: India-Africa Cooperation in Agricultural R&D and Technologies
	<p>Chair: Dr. Alka Bhargava, Additional Secretary (International Cooperation), Department of Agriculture Cooperation and Farmers' Welfare</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof. R B Singh, Former Director, IARI • Dr. Milan Sharma, Head, International Initiatives, IL&FS • Dr Sangita Ladha, VP-Marketing and Business Dev, Jain Irrigation Systems Ltd • Ms. Kedisi N. Margaret, Minister Counsellor, Uganda High Commission, New Delhi
13:00 to 13:30	Concluding Session
	<p>Chair: Dr. Arabinda Mitra, Scientific Secretary, Office of the Principal Scientific Adviser to Government of India</p> <p>Takeaways from the Discussion: Dr. Nafees Meah, South Asia Representative, IRRI</p> <p>Special Remarks: Dr. Neena Malhotra, Joint Secretary, East and Southern Africa Division, Ministry of External Affairs</p> <p>Address by: Amb. Bellinda Omino, Dy. High Commissioner of Kenya, New Delhi</p> <p>Closing Remarks and Vote of Thanks: Prof. Sachin Chaturvedi, DG, RIS</p>
13:30 to 14:00	Lunch