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The Range Management Society of India, Jhansi (U.P.) confers various awards in different categories during the symposium. The details are available at http://www.igfri.res.in/prof-societies.aspx

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

Last date for submission of abstract:

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Date of symposium:

September 30, 2018

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University of Agricultural Sciences, Dharwad, Karnataka

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#### BACKGROUND

Agriculture and animal husbandry go hand in hand and complementary to each other. In recent years the contribution of animal husbandry as component of agricultural GDP has been steadily increasing. The growing land fragmentation, declining monetary returns from agriculture etc. has forced the farming community to look forward for animal husbandry and dairy farming as alternative enterprises giving a much needed boost to them. However, the reduced availability of crop residues as fodder, lesser areas under fodder cultivation and dwindling natural grassland resources are the major hurdles in the fast growing animal husbandry sector. The animal husbandry and dairying with an inbuilt ability for absorbing house hold labour force in the farming community and checking the migration of labour force to urban areas in search of employment also has tremendous scope for increasing the farmers' income round the year. There are several ways of making this as a more vibrant and sustainable means of increasing income to farming community. Many novel ways of transition from purely agricultural enterprise to animal husbandry based integrated farming systems to insulate against the varying monetary returns due to vagaries of climate change have been developed by the researchers. There is a need to deliberate on those issues and churn out comprehensive and easily adoptable technologies for the benefit of farming community. This will help in evolving newer practices towards achieving a national goal of doubling farmers' income in near future.

#### **MAJOR THEMES**

- i. Forage crop improvement
- ii. Management strategies for enhanced forage production
- iii. Biotic and abiotic factors affecting forage production
- iv. Animal nutrition and health
- v. Forage seed production and distribution
- vi. Post-harvest management and value addition of forage resources
- vii. Forage technology assessment and dissemination
- viii. Policy frame work towards doubling forage/livestock farmers' income

#### **DATE AND VENUE**

The symposium is scheduled to be held at University of Agricultural Sciences, Dharwad (Karnataka) during December 13-14, 2018.

#### PARTICIPATION AND CALL FOR ABSTRCTS

Participation is open to all researchers, academicians, research managers, line departments, staff of KVKs, milk federations and policy makers working on various aspects of livestock management/rangelands /grasslands /agroforestry /forage production, conservation and utilization.

Participants are invited to submit abstract (not exceeding 250 words) written in English (Times New Roman Font size 12, left alignment with double line spacing) in hard as well as soft copy to the Organizing Secretary on any theme of the symposium. The abstract title in Bold shall be followed by authors names, affiliation and email id of corresponding author in separate rows. Electronic copy of the Abstract in .doc format (MS word 97-2003) has to be submitted through e-mail at rmsijhansi2017@gmail.com on or before September 30, 2018. To get detailed information about the symposium and format, please visit the IGFRI website: http://www.igfri.res.in/profsocieties.aspx

#### REGISTRATION

Confirm your registration by completing the attached form along with registration fee by demand draft drawn in favour of Secretary, Range Management Society of India, payable at State Bank of India, Karari branch (Bank Code-7477), Jhansi only. For Online payment, Bank details are as follows:

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#### **REGISTRATION FEE**

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Participant category Amount (Rs.)

Delegates 4000/- (Spot registration: 4500/-)

Accompanying person 2500/-Students 2000/-

#### **ACCOMMODATION**

Limited accommodation is available in the UAS Dharwad Guest House/Hostel. Therefore, participants are requested to book their accommodation in the listed hotels well in advance. The List of Hotels with approximate tariff per day is as follows:

Name of hotel	Contact details	
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Opp K.C. Park, Dharwad	Email: team.parkviewinn@gmail.com	
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Station Road, Dharwad		
Karnataka Bhavan	Phone: 0836-2442261,2442172	
P.B. Road, Dharwad	Email: karntak_Bhavan@rediffmail.com	
Indraprastha Residency	Phone: 0836-2446744,2446745	
Court Circle, Dharwad		

# Tariff charges range

Single bed room per day	Double bed room per day	
Non-AC: Rs. 900/-	Non-AC: Rs. 1200/-	
AC: Rs. 1300/-+GST	AC: Rs. 1500/- +GST	

#### **ABOUTRMSI**

The Range Management Society of India (RMSI) was founded in 1978 to promote client-oriented ecologically sustainable range and forage husbandry with economic productivity and to support excellence in scientific research in agriculture with focus on grassland and fodder resources, agro-forestry, plant-animal inter-relationships, environment, dairy industry and allied sciences. One of the major objectives of the Society is to provide national and global platform to the scientists, development workers, practitioners, planners and policy makers, industrialists, financial managers and donors related to grassland and fodder resources development for exchange of ideas for the benefit of the humanity. The journal of RMSI i.e. Range

Management and Agro-forestry, a Thompson ISI web of science international impact factor journal, has a 2017 impact factor of 0.643. Therefore, from January 2019 onwards the NAAS rating of this journal is expected to increase from 6.32 to 6.64. The Society has organized several workshops, seminars, symposia and conferences in past, in addition to Third International Rangeland Congress in1988 and International Conference on Agro-forestry for the Asia-Pacific region in1994. Society organized the 23rd International Grassland Congress (IGC) in 2015 in New Delhi successfully for the first time in India in the 88 year old history of the IGC. The present National Symposium is planned to involve wide range of experts to come out with concrete recommendations based on their research experience and discussions during sessions, regarding the present rangeland/grassland and forage resource to meet the increasing demand for forage and livestock products and challenges faced in climate change scenario.

#### ABOUT ICAR-IGFRI-SRRS, Dharwad

The ICAR-IGFRI Southern Regional Research Station, Dharwad was established in 1987 with a mandate to conduct research and extension activities in fodder crops and cater to the fodder needs of farmers in the peninsular India. In the last 30 years of its existence, it has become synonym for the fodder related activities working on development of varieties, production technology, seed production, crop protection and fodder technology demonstrations under various niches for the benefit of farming community in the region.

#### **ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY**

The University of Agricultural Sciences (UAS), Dharwad is one the premier State Agricultural Universities (SAUs) in India. It was established in 1986 as second Agricultural University in the heartland of north Karnataka. In its short history, it has acclaimed name for itself in research, education and extension at national and international level. It has bagged ICAR Sardar Valla Bhai Patel Best Agricultural University Award twice (2002 & 2015). Its students have occupied very high positions at National and International organizations. It has established collaborative activities in the field of Agricultural Research and Education with many National and International institutions of high repute.

#### **HOW TO REACH**

The city of Dharwad is situated in the midst of agriculturally important northern transitional tract of Karnataka. It is well connected by rail, road and nearby air-port at Hubballi. There are daily trains from Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata, Hyderabad, Goa and Bengaluru. There are Air Conditioned sleeper coach buses plying daily from Mumbai, Hyderabad, Chennai, Goa and Bengaluru. The venue of symposium is about 3 km from Bus Stand; 6 km from Railway Station and about 20 km from Air-port. The weather during December will be pleasant and light winter wear may be required during night time. Many places of tourist attractions viz. Goa, Bijapur, Badami and Hampi Vijayanagar with UN recognized monuments are in the vicinity of Dharwad.

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