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**9th National Conference on
“Climate Smart Innovations for
Sustainable Agriculture: Vision
Viksit Bharat 2047”**

(NYC-CSISA)

July 24-25, 2026

at

**Centurion University of Technology and
Management, Paralakhemundi, Odisha**

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Preface

Indian agriculture stands at a critical juncture as the nation advances toward the vision of a developed India by 2047. Climate variability, rising temperatures, erratic rainfall, land degradation, water scarcity, and declining factor productivity pose significant challenges to sustaining agricultural growth and ensuring food and nutritional security. Enhancing agricultural productivity while reducing greenhouse gas emissions and conserving natural resources has become an imperative for long-term resilience. The pathway forward lies in adopting climate-smart innovations that integrate sustainability, profitability, and environmental stewardship.

In India, where small and marginal farmers constitute the majority, climate risks directly threaten livelihoods, income stability, and rural well-being. The concept of climate-smart agriculture must therefore be aligned with livelihood security, risk mitigation, and inclusive growth. It encompasses practices and technologies that sustainably increase productivity, enhance resilience (adaptation), reduce or remove emissions (mitigation), and strengthen farmers' adaptive capacities. This includes improved crop varieties, precision nutrient and water management, renewable energy integration, carbon sequestration, agroforestry, digital agriculture, weather-based advisories, and resilient farming systems.

Vision Viksit Bharat 2047 emphasizes transforming Indian agriculture into a knowledge-driven, technology-enabled, climate-resilient sector that ensures food security, environmental sustainability, and economic prosperity for farming communities. Sustainable agriculture cannot be pursued in isolation from sustainable rural development, as agriculture remains the backbone of rural livelihoods. Strengthening institutional support, promoting capacity building, encouraging innovation ecosystems, and leveraging digital platforms are essential for empowering farmers to adapt to changing climatic scenarios.

The primary objective of organizing this conference is to critically assess recent advancements in climate-smart technologies and resource management strategies, consolidate scientific insights to strengthen climate resilience, and develop a strategic roadmap for sustainable agriculture in alignment with the vision of Viksit Bharat 2047. The deliberations aim to generate practical and actionable recommendations for policymakers, researchers, and practitioners to promote inclusive growth, environmental sustainability, and long-term livelihood security for rural communities in India.

About AIASA

AIASA is an organization represented by present and former students and professionals from agriculture and allied sectors including Veterinary Science, Dairy, Horticulture, Fisheries, Forestry, Home Science, Sericulture, and ABM. It is a registered society under the Societies Registration Act, 1860 and was formally launched on 10th May 2011 by the then Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Agriculture and Farmer's Welfare. The association aims to strengthen the voice of agro-professionals and veterinarians at state, national, and international levels. AIASA provides a common platform for agriculturists, technocrats, and policymakers to work together for agricultural development, promoting the principle of "right person at the right place" for effective application of science. It also motivates youth to consider agriculture as a viable career, fostering agripreneurship, knowledge transfer, and a self-driven agrarian workforce.

About Centurion University of Technology and Management, Odisha

Centurion University of Technology and Management, established in 2010 under the Odisha State Legislative Assembly, is a pioneering institution known for skill-integrated higher education, applied research, and community engagement. Recognized by UGC and accredited by NAAC, the University blends academic excellence with hands-on training, industry collaboration, and rural outreach to promote sustainable development. The University's agricultural ecosystem is anchored in the M. S. Swaminathan School of Agriculture (ICAR Accredited), focusing on climate-resilient agriculture, precision farming, and sustainable resource management. Complementing this are the School of Fisheries (ICAR Accredited) and the School of Veterinary and Animal Sciences (VCI Accredited), promoting aquaculture, livestock development, and integrated farming systems. Through strong industry linkages, research farms, and extension activities, CUTM fosters innovation, entrepreneurship, and eco-friendly technologies, contributing to rural development and climate-smart agriculture. The University remains committed to transforming rural landscapes under its vision, "Shaping lives... Empowering communities..."

About Keladi Shivappa Nayaka University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences , Karnataka

Keladi Shivappa Nayaka University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga, established in 2023, is dedicated to advancing agricultural and horticultural education, research, and extension in India. Located in the diverse agro-climatic region of Karnataka, the university focuses on developing sustainable and climate-resilient farming practices suited to local conditions.

KSNUAHS offers undergraduate programs with a strong emphasis on experiential learning, field exposure, and skill development. The university promotes research in climate-smart agriculture and natural resource management, while its farmer-centric extension activities ensure effective dissemination of modern agricultural practices. Aligned with the vision of Viksit Bharat 2047, KSNUAHS is committed to nurturing skilled agri-professionals and supporting sustainable agricultural development through innovation and collaboration for a resilient future.

About NYC

9th National Conference /9th National Youth Convention will be held at the Centurion University of Technology and Management, Paralakhemundi, Odisha during July 24-25, 2026. This conference revolves around the theme “Climate Smart Innovations for Sustainable Agriculture: Vision Viksit Bharat 2047” plans to bring youth in the forefront, scientists, academicians, farmers, industry representatives, planners, and law makers together for generating and sharing ideas. Two-day conference consists of a plenary session, concurrent thematic sessions, Poster and oral presentation sessions and a valedictory session.

Themes

Theme I: Climate-Smart Crop Production and Digital Agriculture

Sub-themes:

- Precision farming,
- AI-enabled decision support systems,
- Smart irrigation,
- Carbon sequestration,
- Regenerative farming practices,
- Market intelligence and risk mitigation strategies

Theme II: Climate-Smart Livestock, Dairy, and Integrated Farming Systems

Sub-themes:

- Low-emission livestock
- Production and breed improvement,
- Fodder security,
- Nutrient recycling, and
- Integrated crop–livestock systems for livelihood enhancement

Theme III: Sustainable Horticulture, Hi-Tech Production, and Value Addition

Sub-themes:

- Protected cultivation,
- High-value crops,
- Post-harvest management,
- Agri-processing,
- Export competitiveness, and
- Entrepreneurship development

Theme IV: Smart Fisheries and Sustainable Aquaculture for Blue Economy and Climate Resilience

Sub-themes:

- Climate-Resilient Fisheries
- Sustainable Fish Production
- Fish Health & Nutrition
- Post-Harvest & Value Addition
- Blue Economy & Entrepreneurship

Theme V: Green Energy, Mechanization, Youth Engagement, and Policy Innovations for Viksit Bharat 2047

Sub-themes:

- Renewable energy in agriculture, smart mechanization,
- Agri-startups,
- Institutional frameworks,
- Extension and capacity building, and
- Inclusive growth strategies

Abstract submission

Abstract/Papers are invited on the above themes. First author can present only one paper (Poster/Oral). Abstracts/Full-length paper should submit to the following submission link.

Abstract submission link:

<https://forms.gle/6nSAfMexTu3b5ncM8>

Deadline for submission of abstract is **20th June 2026**

Best Presentation Awards

'Best Presentation Award' will be conferred to the author(s) of an abstract presented in the conference. Award winners will be announced in valedictory function of the conference. The awardees will receive Best Paper Award / Best Presentation Award certificates and will be allowed to publish one article in AIASA Magazine "Agri Mirror: Future India" free of cost.

Who Can Attend?

- ❖ Young researchers & rural youth
- ❖ Farmers & agri-enthusiasts
- ❖ UG, PG & Ph.D. scholars
- ❖ Research Fellows & Post-Doctoral Fellows
- ❖ Research Associates & Teaching Assistants
- ❖ Faculty members & Scientists
- ❖ Industry representatives & Employers
- ❖ Policy makers & Strategists

Technical Sessions

- ❖ Plenary sessions (Keynote/Invited speakers)
- ❖ Oral & Poster presentation sessions
- ❖ Valedictory (Concluding) session

Awards

- ❖ Best Poster & Oral Presentation (Theme-wise)
- ❖ **AAWAHAN Awards 2026** – 10 awards

Venue & Accessibility

Venue: Centurion University of Technology and Management, Paralakhemundi, Odisha – 761211

Nearest Connectivity:

Visakhapatnam Airport (VTZ) – 187 KM

Bhubaneswar Airport (BBI) – 279 KM

Palasa Railway Station (PSA) – 38 KM

Brahmapur Railway Station (BAM) – 109 KM

Accommodation

Accommodation will be provided to the participants on the first come first serve basis in the guest houses of the University; further, preferential accommodation could be given to students / research fellows in university hostels/guest houses subjected to availability of rooms. Kindly indicate your preference in the registration form to facilitate accordingly. Accommodation may be requested before **15th June, 2026**. Other details are available on the university website.

Registration Fees:

Category	AIASA Members		Non AIASA Members	
	Online	Offline	Online	Offline
UG students/Youth farmers	₹500/-	₹1000/-	₹700/-	₹1250/-
PG/Ph.D. Research Scholars/ equivalents	₹600/-	₹1200/-	₹800/-	₹1400/-
Scientists/Faculty/Professionals	₹900/-	₹1800/-	₹1100/-	₹2000/-

AIASA membership link: https://aiasa.co.in/membership?category_id=3

Registration link: <https://forms.gle/3FuonqhfMWm5zQicA>

Deadline for submission of abstract/Invited paper: 20th June 2026

Acceptance of Abstract: 25th June 2026

For any query: Please mail to organizingsecretarynyc2026@gmail.com

Registration & Payment

- ❖ Pay online via AIASA (New Delhi)
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- ❖ **A/C Name:** AIASA
- ❖ **A/C No.:** 31613400708
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- ❖ **Branch:** Pusa Campus, New Delhi
- ❖ Or scan QR code



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Registration fees cover

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- Access to all presentations
- e-Abstract/e-Souvenir
- Certificate for participation and presentation
- Food during the conference

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Explore Nearby & Extended Attractions



Gandahati Waterfall (30 km)

A picturesque waterfall nestled amidst lush greenery, perfect for relaxation, nature walks, and photography.



Mahendragiri Hills (45 km)

A beautiful hill range offering trekking opportunities, breathtaking views, and mythological significance.



Chandragiri Buddhist Monastery (85 km)

A peaceful Tibetan monastery known for its vibrant architecture, prayer halls, and serene spiritual atmosphere.



Gopalpur Beach (130 km)

A tranquil coastal destination ideal for enjoying sea breeze, sunsets, and leisure by the shore.

Extended Tourist Destinations

- **Bhubaneswar (280 km)**

The Temple City of India, featuring iconic attractions like Lingaraj Temple, Udayagiri and Khandagiri Caves, Nandankanan Zoological Park, and Odisha State Museum, showcasing rich heritage and culture.

- **Puri (300 km)**

Renowned for the sacred Jagannath Temple, beautiful beaches, and vibrant traditions, offering a complete spiritual and coastal experience.