

### International Cotton Researcher of the Year Award- 2009

Dr. K. R. Kranthi, Director, CICR received the coveted ICAC International Cotton Researcher of the Year Award 2009. The Award carries an honorarium of 1000 US dollars and a shield. Dr. Kranthi was selected from 12 candidates in three disciplines of plant breeding, production, protection and biotechnology from 8 countries who had applied for or were nominated for the Award. Dr. Kranthi was awarded for his work on development of diagnostic kits to detect Transgenic cotton, insecticide resistance and quality of insecticides, mechanism of resistance and development of strategies to counter development of insecticide resistance for the benefit of small and medium scale cotton formers.

Dr. K. R. Kranthi received the Award at Cape Town, South Africa on 9th September, 2009.

#### **Best Case study Award**

Best Case Study award (Traditional area) by National Council of Indian Institute of Industrial Engineers conferred on Er. Gautam Majumdar for article entitled "Optimum Resource Management in Indian Agricultural for increased efficiency" published in October 2008 issue of Industrial Engineering journal.



Punjabrao Deshmukh Woman Agricultural Scientist Award 2008

Dr. Sandhya Kranthi, Sr. Scientist (Entomology), Division of Crop Protection, CICR Nagpur was awarded the coveted Punjabrao Deshmukh Woman Agricultural Scientist Award 2008 on the eve of ICAR Foundation Day in a ceremony at NASC, New Delhi on July16, 2009. Dr. Sandhya Kranthi got the Award for her work on cotton entomology. She was selected for the award from 29 applicants.

Dr. Sandhya Kranthi received the Award consisting of a cash prize of Rs. 50,000/- and a citation from Dr. Farooq Abdullah, Hon. Union Minister of New & Renewable Energy in the presence of Dr. Mangala Rai, Secretary, DARE, and Director General, ICAR.,



Awarded Ph.D degree with Merit Medal



Dr. Raghavendra, Scientist, Biotechnology Awarded Ph.D. degree with JARI Merit medal for outstanding academic performance in Molecular Biology and Biotechnology for thesis entitled as "Transcriptome Analysis of Cotton during Boll Development". 'from IARI, New Delhi on 13<sup>th</sup> Feb 2010.

## Fellow of Society of Plant Protection Sciences (SPPS)

Dr J. Gulsar Banu was selected as Fellow of Society of Plant Protection Sciences (SPPS) 2009 by Society of Plant Protection Sciences Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi from 2009.

# Dr. (Mrs.) Jagadiswari Rao Woman Scientist Award

Dr J. Gulsar Banu was awarded Dr. (Mrs.) Jagadiswari Rao Woman Scientist Award for the year 2009 by Applied Zoologists Research Association, Central Rice Research Institute, Cuttack , India for outstanding contribution in the field of applied zoological research.

Dr. Ambedkar Distinguished National Service Award 2009

Dr. S. M. Wasnik, Principal Scientist (Extension), Division of Crop Production, CICR, Nagpur was awarded 'Dr. Ambedkar Distinguished National Service Award-2009' instituted by Bhartiya Dalit Sahitya Akademy, Delhi on 8<sup>th</sup> December 2009 at a glittering programme organized in Delhi in recognition to his Extension Services. Dr. Wasnik received the Award at the hands of Sh. Jeet Bahadur Darjee, Min. Nepal Govt, Dr. Mata Prasad, Ex-Governor, Sikkim and Dr. Sumanakshar, President, BDSA.

# First prize for the paper

Dr P. Nalayini awarded first prize for the paper "Water Use Efficiency and Production Potential of ELS Bt Cotton Maize System with Hi-tech Moisture Conservation Techniques and ET based Irrigation" at the International Conference on Emerging Trends in Production, Processing and Utilization of Natural Fibres held during 16-18 April organized by Indian Society for Cotton Improvement, Mumbai, Indian Fibre Society,Mumbai in Collaboration with Texas Tech University, USA

### Best Poster Award

Sr. No.	Name of the Scientist	Title of Paper	Name of Symposium! Conference	Place and Date
1.	Kuldip Sharma S. Kranthi Manorama K. R, Kranthi	Characterization of gut proteases from <i>cry1</i> Ac susceptible and resistant and resistrains of <i>H.</i> <i>armigera</i> (Hub)	7th Asia Pacific Rim Conference on Biotechnology of Bacillus thuringiensis and its environmental impact	New Delhi
2.	S,B Nandeshwar P,K Chakrabarty Keshav Kranthi P.Anandkumar Vidhi Bhatnagar Mithila Meshram	Development of diploid cotton for insect resistance	National Symposium on "Bt Cotton: Opportunities and Prospects	17-19 Nov. 2009 Nagpur
3.	J. Amudha., G. Balasubramani S. Renuka v.G. Malathi.	Development of cotton transgenic's with antisense rep gene for resistance against leaf curl virus	National Symposium on "Bt-Cotton: Opportunities and Prospects	17-19, Nov 2009. Nagpur
4.	Nandini Gokte- Narkhedkar N. V. lavhe Anita Shende K.R., Kranthi	Insecticidal toxins from Entomo-pathogenic nematodes for insect pests management- Alternative to Bt toxin	National Symposium on 'Bt Cotton: Opportunities and Prospects'	17-19, Nov. 2009 Nagpur
5.	C.S Praharaj K.Sankaranarayanan K.K. Bandyopadhyay N. GopaJakrishnan	Optimization of water and NPK in extra long staple Bt cotton through drip- fertigation in semiarid irrigated southern zone	National Symposium on Bt Cotton: Opportunities and Emerging Threats	17-19, Nov. 2009. Nagpur
6.	K.K. Bandyopadhyay A,H. Prakash K.Shankaranarayanan B. Dharajothi N Gopalkrishnan	Assessing trade-off between Bt cotton production and global warming potential using Infocrop-an indigenous generic simulation model	National Symposium on "Bt cotton: Opportunities and Prospects	17-19 Nov. 2009. Nagpur
7.	M. Sabesh S. Vennila BDharajothi N. Gopalakrishnan	Expert System on Cotton Insect Pest	National Symposium on BtCotton:OpportunWesand Prospects	17-19 Nov.2009. Nagpur
8.	M. Sabesh, N. Gopalakrishnan, G Majumdar	Indian Cotton Portal	National Symposium on Prospects	17-19 Nov. 2009. Nagpur