



6. AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

Awards

Nagpur

Dr. K. Velmourougane, Scientist, Crop Production Division, ICAR-CICR, Nagpur received IARI merit medal from Honourable President of India for his outstanding academic performance in Ph.D. programme during 56th Convocation (9th Feb 2018) of IARI, New Delhi. For his doctoral programme, he worked on the research area “Interspecific cooperation among microbial partners in biofilm development and rhizosphere colonization” under the guidance of Dr. Radha Prasanna, Principal Scientist, Division of Microbiology, IARI, New Delhi.



Dr. T. Madhu was awarded “**Best oral presentation award**” at International Conferences on "Recent trends in Agriculture, Biotechnology and Food processing", College of Agriculture, 5-7 July 2017, Hassan, Karnataka.

Coimbatore

CICR Regional Station, Coimbatore bagged “Best stall award” in the Farmers' Day organised by TNAU, Coimbatore during 9-10, February 2018.

Dr. B. Dhara Jothi was recognized as a mentor by SERB, to guide a student for NPDP for a project proposal entitled “Exploring the potential of biofilm forming PGPR with cuticle degrading entomopathogenic fungus for the management of root rot (*Rhizoctonia* sp.) and American boll worm (*Helicoverpa armigera*) in cotton”, for the candidate to undergo the course (2018-2020) at CICR, RS, Coimbatore.



Dr. J Gulsar Banu acted as mentor for one National Post Doctoral Fellow (N-PDF) funded by DST-SERB on project entitled “Potential application of wax degrading microorganisms as an effective bio-pesticide formulation for the control of Mealybugs on cotton (*Gossypium* spp.)”.

Sirsa

Award of Appreciation

SK Sain has been presented with award of appreciation Cotton Development Organization and National Agriculture Research Organization, Uganda for providing the training on Biopesticide Laboratory Operation and Research and the assistance in establishment and operationalization of the laboratory and associate equipment (22-28 August 2017)

Best Poster Paper Award

Rishi Kumar, Monga, D. Naveen Rao and Sain, S.K. bagged best paper award for their research paper entitled "Within Plant Distribution of Whitefly in Cotton and its Implication on Management Strategies" INDO-US symposium-2017 on Curbing Whitefly-Plant Virus Pandemics: The Departure from Pesticides to Genomics Solutions " December 4-6, 2017 at PAU Ludhiana

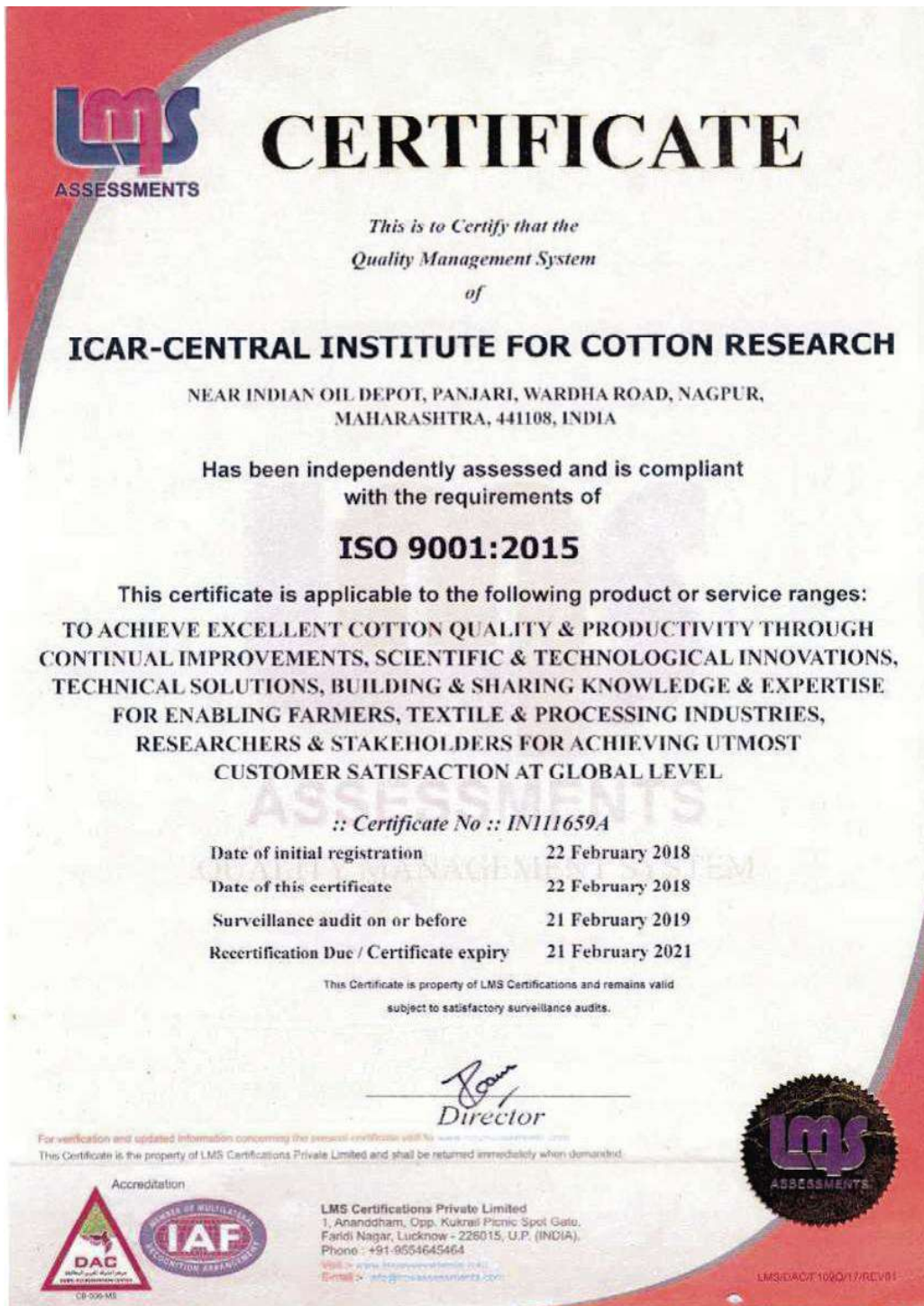
Best Oral Paper Award

Sain SK and Monga D. awarded with best oral paper

award for a research paper entitled "Resilience and relative virulence of entomopathogenic fungi against *Bemisia tabaci* with IPM components in cotton" in an International Congress on Cotton and other Fibre Crops." at ICAR Research complex for NEH Region, Umiam, Shillong (Meghalaya). February 20-23, 2018

Recognitions

ICAR-CICR was formally awarded the ISO 9001:2015 certificate on 22nd February, 2018. The certification was based on an independent assessment by LMC Certification Pvt. Ltd., Lucknow. The certificate would remain valid till 21 February, 2021.



7. LINKAGES AND COLLABORATIONS

Linkages

Areas of Linkages	Institution
NATIONAL	
Fibre testing, fibre quality evaluation and nanotechnology	CIRCOT, Mumbai
Multi-location testing of promising cultures, Bt cotton evaluation	AICRP on Cotton (21 centers) State Agricultural Universities of 11 cotton growing states
Germplasm collection, maintenance and plant quarantine clearance	NBPGR, New Delhi
Seed technological research and breeder seed production	NSP, New Delhi, ICAR-IISR, Mau
Cotton Genomics	NBRI-Lucknow, TNAU-Coimbatore, UAS-Dharwad
Technology for pink bollworm resistance monitoring and management	SAU's and State Department of Agriculture of all cotton growing states, KVKs, NCIPM, etc.
Crop pest surveillance and advisory for cotton pests in Maharashtra	Agriculture Department, Government of Maharashtra, Dr. PDKV-Akola, VNMAU-Parbhani, MPKV-Rahuri
Cotton mechanization	Precision tooling, Nagpur, ICAR-CIAE-Bhopal, GTC-CIRCOT, Nagpur
Vision-based expert system for picking of cotton	IIIT & M, Gwalior; Jamia Milia Islamia University, Delhi; CMERI-CoEFM, Ludhiana
HDPS and sustainable pest management strategies	Better Cotton Initiative
National Carbon Project	NRSC, (IFFCO), Hyderabad
Participatory Nutrient Management under cotton + pigeonpea intercropping system	IFFCO
Seed production programme of other crops under Mega Seed Project (MSP)	Maharashtra State Seed Corporation and Haryana State Seed Corporation
Research guidance to the Students	RTMU, Nagpur, Dr. PDKV, Akola, Sam Higginbottom University of Agriculture, Technology and Sciences Allahabad (SHUATS), UP
Transgenic : New events	Delhi University, Delhi, TNAU-Coimbatore, UAS-Dharwad, NRCPB- New Delhi
Bio-Agents, Insect biodiversity	ICAR-NBAIR, Bangalore
Micro-Organism biodiversity	ICAR-NBAIM-Mau
INTERNATIONAL	
Organisation of ACRDN-7 meeting	ICAC, Washington DC
Establishment of bio-pesticide laboratory	NASSARI, Uganda