

BEST P.G. & Ph. D THESIS AWARDS-2024

The air is thick with anticipation, a moment suspended between the culmination of tireless scholarship and the dawning of well-earned recognition. The long-awaited announcement is no longer a distant promise but an imminent revelation—names etched into the annals of academic excellence. The Society, in its meticulous pursuit of brilliance, has navigated an ocean of submissions, distilling the essence of ingenuity from a vast reservoir of intellectual endeavors. Twenty-seven master's theses and eighteen doctoral works stand tall among the multitude, each bearing the weight of rigorous scrutiny, the scrutiny of expertise honed to perfection. But selection is merely the beginning—each shortlisted candidate has stepped forth, breathing life into their research through poised presentations, unearthing insights that transcend mere academic inquiry. The final ranking, a testament to merit, innovation, the profound contribution to extension science, and the scholarly imprint left upon the world, has been etched with careful precision, ensuring that every dimension—be it ground breaking discovery, scholarly publication, or masterful exposition—finds its rightful place in the grand orchestration of excellence.

Note: The awards will be conferred in 2nd International Extension Education Congress during November 24-26, 2025 at Shiksha-O-Anusandhan, Bhubaneswar.

National Award for Best Master Thesis in Extension Education

THEME: VALUE CHAIN/ SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT


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| 1 | Anirban Jana | Value Chain Analysis of IARI Wheat Varieties in Central and North-Western Plain Zones Of India | ICAR-IARI, New Delhi |
| 2 | Reshma R. | Risk Assessment of Agricultural Supply Chain: Case of Coconut Enterprises in Kerala | KAU, Mannthly, Thrissur, Kerala |
| 3 | Nikhil K.S. | Sustainability assessment of banana value chains of Palakkad district, Kerala | KAU, Mannthly, Thrissur, Kerala |

THEME: AGRI-ENTREPRENEURSHIP/STARTUP MANAGEMENT

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| 1 | Hariyala Sirisha | A Study Of Online Fish Markets, Consumer Behaviour and Determinants In Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh | KUFOS, Kochi, Kerala |
| 2 | Bachaspatimayum Kundala Devi | A Study on Entrepreneurial Orientation of the Agricultural Women Vendors of Ima Market of Imphal | COA, CAU, Imphal, Manipur |
| 3 | Shubham Gaurav | Assessment of Entrepreneurial Intention of Students of Central Agricultural University, Imphal | CPGS-AS (CAU), Meghalaya |

THEME: COOPERATIVE/FPO/ SHG APPROACH

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| 1 | Pasupuleti Sahithi | Evaluation of the mango value chain of Farmer Producer Organizations | ICAR-IARI, Pusa New Delhi |
| 2 | Sakaray Vaishnavi | An analytical study of Self-help groups under Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Rural Livelihood Mission in Andhra Pradesh | ICAR-IARI, Pusa New Delhi |


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THEME: PRIVATIZATION/ PROFESSIONALISM/DYNAMICS /PPP

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| 1 | Basu Anand | Analysing The Effect of Contract Farming on Employment Generation and Poverty Reduction in Coochbehar District of West Bengal | UBKV, Coochbehar, West Bengal |
| 2 | Parnika Saha | Professionalism of Women Agricultural Extension Personnel in Odisha | CUTM, Odisha |
| 3 | Pooja Pramod Aware | Dynamics of labour in-migration in agriculture development: A case of Ernakulum district, Kerala | KAU, Mannthly, Thrissur, Kerala |

THEME: EVALUATION / IMPACT ASSESSMENT/ POLICY RESEARCH

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| 1 | Harideep Verma | Impact Assessment of Improved Germplasm of Muzaffarnagari Ram on Livelihood Security of Sheep Farmers in Bareilly District of Uttar Pradesh | ICAR-IVRI, Izatnagar, Uttar Pradesh |
| 2 | Disha Agarwal | Technological Gap in Adoption of Sugarcane Production Technology in Haryana | CCS HAU, Hisar, Haryana |
| 3 | Mohammed Umer M. | Impact of Livestock Training Programmes of KVK's on Beneficiaries | UAS, Dharwad |

THEME: AWARENESS/KNOWLEDGE/ADOPTION RESEARCH

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| 1 | Shanmuga Surya K. | Awareness, Knowledge and Adoption of Farmers towards Carbon Sequestration Practices in Agriculture | TNAU, Coimbatore -3 |
| 2 | Neethu J.S. | Knowledge And Adoption of Management Practices of Lumpy Skin Disease (LSD) By Dairy Farmers in Karnataka and Kerala | UAS, Dharwad |
| 3 | Bhagya Laxmi Sahu | A Study on Knowledge and Utilization of ICT Tools by Dairy Farmers in North Karnataka | UAS, Dharwad |

THEME: CLIMATE RESILIENT EXTENSION LANDSCAPE

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| 1 | Pratiksha | Strengthening climate resilience of farmers through climate smart Dairy Information Portal | NDVSU, Jabalpur MP |
| 2 | Pallavi Shekhawat | Farmers' Preference on Integration of UAV Imageries in Interface of Mobile Applications for Marketing of Pineapple of Meghalaya | CPGS-AS (CAU), Meghalaya |
| 3 | Santosh Kumar Sahoo | Development of Agro-Eco-Tourism Model for East. Khasi Hills District of Meghalaya | CPGS-AS (CAU), Meghalaya |

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THEME: CLIMATE RESILIENT EXTENSION LANDSCAPE

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| 1 | Aravindh Kumar S | Assessment of Pandemic COVID-19 Impact on Farmers, Agricultural Extension Workers and Agricultural Procurers in Zone IC Bikaner of Rajasthan | SKNAU, Bikaner, Rajasthan |
| 2 | Manjunath K.V. | Development of Climate Services and its Impact on Murrah Buffalo farmers of Haryana | ICAR-NDRI, Karnal |
| 3 | Rohit | Study on Adoption, Attitude and Knowledge Assessment of Respondents on Climate Smart Agriculture in Central Plain Zone of Uttar Pradesh | CSAUA&T, Kanpur |

THEME : GENDER AND NUTRITION / NUTRITION SENSITIVE AGRICULTURE/ INTEGRATED FARMING

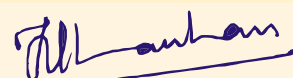
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| 1 | Roshni Thampi | Technology assessment and refinement in coastal home gardens of Kerala: Linkages with biodiversity and household livelihoods | KAU, Thrissur, Kerala |
| 2 | Pagadala Sai Priyanka | A Study on Identification and Validation of Indicators for Model Agri-Nutri (A2N) Smart Village | ICAR-IARI, New Delhi |
| 3 | Dristika Jairu | A Study on Nutrition Sensitive Agriculture in North Bengal | GBPUAT, Pantnagar |

THEME: PLURALISTIC AND COLLECTIVE EXTENSION

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| 1 | Shreya Anand | Performance and Sustainability of Farmer Producer Organisations (FPOs): An Empirical Study | Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan, West Bengal |
| 2 | Suraji Yugender Reddy | Analysis Of Custom Hiring Center Models of Farm Mechanization In Madhya Pradesh And Telangana States | PJTSAU, Hyderabad, Telangana |
| 3 | Vani Chandran | Exploratory Analysis of Integrated Farming Systems of Kerala | ICAR-NDRI, Karnal, Haryana |

THEME: FARMERS CENTRIC INNOVATIONS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

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| 1 | Naila Majid | Fisheries Extension Intensity and Development in Haryana and Punjab: Assessment and Action Plan | ICAR-CIFE, Mumbai |
| 2 | Priyajoy Kar | Mapping of Farmer-Led Innovations in Dairying | ICAR-NDRI, Karnal |
| 3 | Ravi Kumar Gupta | A Study on Entrepreneurial and Managerial Abilities of Dairy Farmers in Chhattisgarh | Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan, West Bengal |



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