2nd National Seminar-cum-Farmers’ Fair
Pomegranate for
Health, Growth & Prosperity
April 28-30, 2017

Jointly Organized by
ICAR-National Research Centre on Pomegranate, Solapur
and
Society for Advancement of Research on Pomegranate, Solapur
Introduction

Pomegranate (*Punica granatum* L.) occupies a prime place in securing livelihood security of farmers in dry regions of Deccan plateau. The tremendous nutraceutical and pharmacological value, huge export potential, wide adaptability and high returns on investment in pomegranate not only attracted farmers but researchers and policy makers alike. The enhanced interest in pomegranate resulted into more than two folds increase in its production in India during last five years with almost fifty percent increment in productivity. Though, India is the world leader in pomegranate production but many challenges spurred out due to rapid intensification of pomegranate without meticulous planning and sound scientific back up. With the objective of making pomegranate cultivation more sustainable and profitable venture based on scientific acumen, planned research and its dissemination so as to make India a true global leader in all aspects of pomegranate and double the income of pomegranate growers in years to come, the ICAR-National Research Centre on Pomegranate in collaboration with the Society for Advancement of Research on Pomegranate is organizing 2nd National Seminar-cum-Farmers’ Fair on “Pomegranate for health, growth and prosperity” from 28th -30th April, 2017.

Theme Areas

1. **Pomegranate Improvement**
   - Breeding of pomegranate for varietal improvement
   - Recent advances in molecular breeding of pomegranate

2. **Pomegranate Production**
   - Production of quality planting material and nursery management
   - Canopy management
   - Flower regulation & its physiology
   - Water management
   - Integrated nutrient management

3. **Pomegranate Protection**
   - Recent developments on management of blight & wilt
   - Management of insects, pests and parasites

4. **Value Chain Management**
   - Value chain management for entrepreneurship & skill development

5. **Marketing & Export of Pomegranate**
   - Domestic marketing of pomegranate
   - Constraints in export with special reference to MRL

Registration

The abstracts are invited for the oral and poster presentation on the thematic areas mentioned above. The participants are requested to send the extended abstract papers (up to 1000 words) including the title, name of author and co-authors (under lining the name of presenting author) to the Secretary, 'Society for Advancement of Research on Pomegranate (SARP)' on or before 20.03.2017 by email (sarpsolapur@gmail.com) in MS word (Times New Roman) with font size 12. Space of 3X4feet will be provided for the poster presentation. The acceptance will be intimated on or before 25.03.2017 through email only. The filled in registration form along with the fee may be sent to the Secretary, 'Society for Advancement of Research on Pomegranate' on or before 15.04.2017 for inclusion of abstract in the seminar's souvenir.
### Registration Fees

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Registration fee may be paid through a Demand Draft from any nationalized bank drawn in favour of Secretary, Society for Advancement of Research on Pomegranate' payable at State Bank of India, Solapur

Students seeking concessional registration should produce a certificate from their concerned Head of The Institution.

Registration fee may also be paid online and the transaction details should be e-mailed after the transaction to sarpsolapur@gmail.com. However, the print out of the transaction details along with the fully filled registration form should reach to the Secretary, 'Society for Advancement of Research on Pomegranate' on or before 15.04.2017 for inclusion of abstract in the seminar’s souvenir.

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- Account No.: 33837768761, Type of A/c: Savings Bank Account
- Bank: State Bank of India, Post Bag No. 8, Solapur
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### Exhibition

Space will be provided for the exhibition of products, machineries and literature related to pomegranate. The interested parties may reserve their stalls by sending an advance DD on or before 15.04.2017 drawn in favour of Secretary, Society for Advancement of Research on Pomegranate' payable at State Bank of India,

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### About Solapur

Solapur is predominantly famous for its textile industry, and quality pomegranate production. Recently, pomegranate for Solapur has acquired Geographical Indicator (GI) status. It is considered as the city of historical, cultural and industrial importance & represents Marathi, Kannada, Telugu and Urdu speaking people. Renowned religious spots viz., Pandharpur, Tuljapur and Akkalkot are highlights of this city. Solapur was also an active site for freedom movement in Maharashtra and the Solapur Municipal Council (Now Municipal Corporation) was the first Municipal Council of India to hoist the national flag on the Municipal Council.
Building in 1930. After the State reorganization in 1956, Solapur was included in Mumbai State and it became a full fledged district of Maharashtra in 1960. It is the fourth largest district in Maharashtra in terms of land area and seventh largest in terms of population. It is bordered by Ahmednagar district on the North, Osmanabad district on the North and Northeast, Gulbarga district (Karnataka) on the Southeast and South, Bijapur District (Karnataka), Sangli district on the South and Southwest, Satara district on the West and Pune district on the Northwest. In the year 2016, Solapur has been included into the Central Government list of projected smart cities of India.

**Climate**

Solapur is located at 17.68°N 75.92°E. It has an average elevation of 458 metres (1502 feet). The Average maximum monthly temperature in April ranges from 35-44 °C and average minimum temperature 14-24 °C. Bright sunny days with mild cool nights prevail during April in Solapur.

**Accommodation and Travel**

Since the accommodation in guest houses are very limited in Solapur, participants are requested to directly contact below mentioned Hotels for their accommodation with the intimation to the Secretary, SARP. Accommodation can also be arranged by the organizers with one day advance payment of Rs. 2400/- latest by 05.04.2017 either through online transfer in SARP account mentioned earlier or through a Demand Draft from any nationalized bank drawn in favour of Secretary, ‘**Society for Advancement of Research on Pomegranate**’ payable at State Bank of India,

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http://www.solapur4u.com/hot.asp (Please go through the link for other budget hotels)

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Last date for request of accommodation: 31.03.2017
Last date for registration (for publication of abstract in the souvenir): 15.04.2017

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