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“Plant Tissue Culture for Boosting Biomanufacturing, Nutritional Security, and Climate Resilience”

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 **JNU Convention Centre, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India**

Scientific Programme

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Day 1: Tuesday, February 17, 2026

2:30 PM - 4:00 PM	<p style="text-align: center;">Registration Venue: JNU Convention Centre, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi</p>
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM	<p style="text-align: center;">Meet and Greet over Tea/Coffee & Snacks</p>
<p>INAUGURAL SESSION Venue: Auditorium 1</p>	
5:00 PM - 5:10 PM	<p style="text-align: center;">Dignitaries on the Dais and Lighting of Lamp</p>
5:10 PM - 5:20 PM	<p style="text-align: center;">Welcome Address Dr. Debasis Chattopadhyay Director, BRIC- NIPGR, New Delhi</p>
5:20 PM - 5:30 PM	<p style="text-align: center;">About PTCA (I) Prof. Pramod Tandon Secretary, PTCA (I)</p>
<p>Inaugural Address Chair: Prof. Sudhir K. Sopory Co-chair: Dr. Alok K. Sinha</p>	
5:30 PM - 6:15 PM	<p style="text-align: center;">Address by Guest of Honour Dr. Imran Siddiqi Emeritus Scientist, CSIR- Centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology, Hyderabad</p>
6:15 PM - 7:00 PM	<p style="text-align: center;">Address by Chief Guest Dr. Renu Swarup Former Secretary, Department of Biotechnology, Ministry of Science & Technology, Government of India</p>
7:00 PM - 7:15 PM	<p style="text-align: center;">Felicitation of the Speakers</p>
7:15 PM - 7:20 PM	<p style="text-align: center;">Vote of Thanks Dr. Ashutosh Pandey Convener, Scientist, BRIC-NIPGR, New Delhi</p>
7:30 PM onwards	<p style="text-align: center;">Dinner</p>

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Day 2: Wednesday, February 18, 2026

PTCA (I) Memorial Lectures Chair: Prof. Pramod Tandon; Co-chair: Dr. Jitendra Thakur Venue: Auditorium 1			
9:30 AM - 10:15 AM	Prof. J.P. Khurana Memorial Lecture Prof. Sudhir K. Sopory Emeritus Senior Scientist International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology, New Delhi <i>"Molecular interactions between methylglyoxal detoxification, melatonin and prion like proteins: a perspective in plant stress tolerance."</i>		
10:15 AM - 11:00 AM	Prof. H.E. Street Memorial Lecture Dr. Giridhar Parvatam Director, CSIR-Central Food Technological Research Institute, Mysore <i>"Exploring my journey: Contributions to plant biotechnology and secondary metabolites."</i>		
Felicitation of the Speakers			
11:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Tea Break		
Concurrent Sessions			
	Venue: Auditorium 1 Session 1A: Climate-Resilient Crops Chair: Dr. Subhra Chakraborty Co-chair: Dr. Tapan K. Mondal	Venue: Auditorium 2 Session 2A: Micropropagation of Cash Crops Chair: Prof. Paramjit Khurana Co-chair: Dr. Siddharth Tiwari	Venue: Lecture Hall 2 Session 3A: Plant Metabolites: Concepts and Applications Chair: Prof. Pulok Mukherjee Co-chair: Dr. Dinesh A. Nagegowda
Lead Lectures			
11:30 AM - 11:50 AM	Dr. Jitendra Thakur <i>"The great mediator: Balancing growth and stress in plant roots."</i>	Prof. Anupam Varma <i>"The role of tissue culture in plant health and quality management for achieving food and nutrition security."</i>	Prof. Adinpunya Mitra <i>"Does colour change affect scent emission in Combretum indicum flowers?"</i>
11:50 AM - 12:10 PM	Dr. Tapan K. Mondal <i>"Wild species Oryza coarctata: A potential source for salinity stress tolerant genes."</i>	Dr. Puthiyaparambil Josekutty <i>"In vitro approaches for rapid, reliable cloning and genetic improvement of important cash crop papaya (Carica papaya L.)."</i>	Dr. Naveen C. Bisht <i>"Modulating glucosinolate metabolism in Indian oilseed mustard using genome editing."</i>
12:10 PM - 12:30 PM	Prof. Manoj Prasad <i>"Role of HDA9-HDA19-HAT3 repressor complex during dehydration stress in C4 model crop foxtail millet (Setaria italica L.)."</i>	Dr. N. Barathi <i>"Large scale commercial micro-propagation of elite clones of bamboo and its cultivation as an energy plantation."</i>	Dr. Dinesh A. Nagegowda <i>"Essential oil biosynthesis in lemongrass: Biochemical and molecular insights."</i>

Oral Presentations			
12:30 PM – 12:40 PM	Dr. Bhuvan Pathak <i>“Hydrogen peroxide and calcium interplay to mitigate salinity stress in Finger Millet (Eleusine coracana L.)”</i>	Dr. Amit Kumar Gupta <i>“In vitro gynogenesis in Moringa concanensis Nimmo.”</i>	Prof. Chitta Ranjan Deb <i>“Beyond the fruit: A holistic nutritional and phytochemical assessment of wild Musa species for food security in Nagaland, India.”</i>
12:40 PM – 12:50 PM	Ms. Tapasya Datta <i>“Complementary peptide for GSTU25: Solution for multi-stress resilience without genetic intervention in plants.”</i>	Dr. Prabhakaran Soundararajan <i>“An efficient and scalable strategy to alleviate hyperhydricity for industrial-scale in vitro mass propagation of plants.”</i>	Dr. Vibha Pandey <i>“Phytoconstituents in aerial parts of the endangered medicinal plant, Stereospermum tetragonum.”</i>
12:50 PM – 1:00 PM	Felicitation of the Speakers		
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM	Lunch		
	Venue: Auditorium 1 Session 1B: Nutrient & Stress Signalling Chair: Prof. S.B. Babbar Co-chair: Dr. Ajay K. Pandey	Venue: Auditorium 2 Session 2B: Root Development and Interaction with Environment Chair: Prof. Manoj Prasad Co-chair: Prof. Sourav Datta	Venue: Lecture Hall 2 Session 3B: Regulation of Plant Metabolism Chair: Prof. Rakhi Chaturvedi Co-chair: Dr. Manoj Majee
Lead Lectures			
2:00 PM – 2:20 PM	Prof. Akhilesh K. Tyagi <i>“Water-deficit response in rice: Role of A20/AN1 zinc-finger stress-associated protein (SAP) genes.”</i>	Dr. Vidhu A. Sane <i>“GARP transcription factor: A transcriptional regulator of root development and salt sensitivity.”</i>	Prof. Rakhi Chaturvedi <i>“In vitro tissue culture strategies for secondary metabolite enhancement.”</i>
2:20 PM – 2:40 PM	Dr. Ajay K. Pandey <i>“Signalling for strength through emerging InsPP pathways in plants.”</i>	Prof. Sourav Datta <i>“Light mediated control of interactions between the root and soil.”</i>	Dr. Y. Sreelakshmi <i>“Targeting folate degradation for biofortification in tomato.”</i>
2:40 PM – 3:00 PM	Dr. Amar Pal Singh <i>“Root adaptation strategies to low nitrogen availability in plants.”</i>	Dr. Senjuti Sinharoy <i>“How legume evolved the peripheral vasculature in root nodules?”</i>	Dr. Rakesh Kumar Shukla <i>“Transcriptional regulation of phenylalanine biosynthesis to alter phenylpropanoid metabolism in plants.”</i>
Oral Presentations			
3:00 PM – 3:10 PM	Ms. Lavanya Mittal <i>“Cooperative action of kinase signaling and ubiquitin systems establishes fidelity in strigolactone responses.”</i>	Dr. Sailendra Singh <i>“Application of hairy root cultures for phytochemical production in medicinal and aromatic plants.”</i>	Dr. Nivedita Singh <i>“ELONGATED HYPOCOTYL 5-MYB308 module regulates nicotine biosynthesis in tobacco.”</i>

3:10 PM - 3:20 PM	Ms. Nitasana Rajkumari <i>"Evolutionary and functional characterization of plant URICASE reveals its critical role in salt stress tolerance."</i>	Dr. Shivani Saini <i>"Differential regulation and interactions of iron deficiency responsive wheat WRKY transcription factors and characterizing their overexpression and mutant lines."</i>	Mr. Samar Singh <i>"MaBBX21-mediated transcriptional and epigenetic control of flavonoid biosynthesis confers stress tolerance in banana."</i>
3:20 PM - 3:30 PM	Felicitation of the Speakers		
3:30 PM - 4:00 PM	Tea Break		
	Venue: Auditorium 1 Session 1C: Pan-omics to Decode Plant Functions Chair: Prof. Sudhir P. Singh Co-chair: Dr. Pardeep Kumar Bhardwaj	Venue: Auditorium 2 Session 2C: Seed Quality and Vigour Chair: Dr. Niranjana Chakraborty Co-chair: Dr. Sameer Sawant	Venue: Lecture Hall 2 Session 3C: Rice Improvement for Stress and Nutrition Chair: Dr. Vidhu A. Sane Co-chair: Prof. Kundan Kumar
Lead Lectures			
4:00 PM - 4:20 PM	Dr. Subhra Chakraborty <i>"Harnessing natural variation through pan genome and pan proteome unravel the mysteries of seed quality traits."</i>	Dr. Manoj Majee <i>"Fascinating life of seed: Story of PIMT-HSF module."</i>	Prof. Sanjay Kapoor <i>"OsMADS29, a monocot seed-specific MADS-box factor, orchestrates rice endosperm development and starch accumulation by modulating cytokinin homeostasis."</i>
4:20 PM - 4:40 PM	Dr. Pardeep Kumar Bhardwaj <i>"Multi-Omics approach to explore biosynthesis of metabolites in Nepenthes khasiana"</i>	Dr. Sameer V. Sawant <i>"Implementing biotechnological innovations to develop a novel rescuable male sterility system in cotton."</i>	Dr. Debasis Chakraborty <i>"Engineering arsenic-safe rice."</i>
4:40 PM - 5:00 PM	Dr. Sunil Kumar <i>"Decoding Moringa: Integrative transcriptomic and structural insights into a multifunctional miracle plant."</i>	Dr. Sabhyata Bhatia <i>"Deconvoluting the genetic and molecular complexities that determine the seed protein content in chickpea (Cicer arietinum L.)."</i>	Dr. Pinky Agarwal <i>"Control of rice grain size and nutrition by a C2H2 zinc finger repressor."</i>
Oral Presentations			
5:00 PM - 5:10 PM	Dr. Sonia Balyan <i>"FAIR plant science data at scale: Resources and platforms at IBDC."</i>	Ms. Ritika Vishnoi <i>"Biofortification of rice and wheat grains via seed specific expression of a modified wheat Or gene."</i>	Prof. Kundan Kumar <i>"With No lysine kinase: A key regulator of salinity stress resilience in rice."</i>
5:10 PM - 5:20 PM	Dr. Rohit Joshi <i>"Integrated multi-omics dissection of rhizome architecture, somatic embryogenesis, and stress resilience in moso bamboo (Phyllostachys pubescens)."</i>	Ms. Antima Yadav <i>"Regulatory coupling of miR007n and ZOS7 shapes rice grain development."</i>	
5:20 PM - 5:30 PM	Felicitation of the Speakers		

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM	Poster Session (I) Thematic Areas: Climate Resilient Crop Technologies; Micropropagation of Cash Crops; Plant Metabolites
7:30 PM Onwards	Dinner

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Day 3: Thursday, February 19, 2026

PTCA (I) Memorial Lectures Chair: Prof. Anupam Varma; Co-chair: Prof. Ashwani Kumar Venue: Auditorium 1			
Prof. H.C. Arya Memorial Lecture			
9:15 AM - 10:00 AM	Dr. (Fr.) Vincent J. Braganza Emeritus Jesuit Scientist, Xavier Research Foundation, Ahmedabad <i>"Reflections of a monk who sold his physics and explored plant tissue culture for education, entrepreneurship, and social transformation."</i>		
Prof. Gadgil Memorial Lecture			
10:00 AM - 10:45 AM	Dr. Pradeep Kumar Agarwal Chief Scientist, CSIR- Central Salt & Marine Chemicals Research Institute, Bhavnagar <i>"Halophytes: Resource of unique salt tolerant genes for developing climate resilient crops and high-value bioproducts."</i>		
10:45 AM - 11:10 AM	Tea Break		
	Venue: Auditorium 1 Session 1D: Genome Editing for Crop Improvement Chair: Dr. K. C. Bansal Co-chair: Dr. Naveen C. Bisht	Venue: Auditorium 2 Session 2D: Biomanufacturing & Entrepreneurship Chair: Dr. Sudesh K. Yadav Co-chair: Dr. Manoj Modi	Venue: Lecture Hall 2 Session 3D: Stress Adaptation and Resilience Chair: Dr. Sabhyata Bhatia Co-chair: Dr. Anil K. Singh
Lead Lectures			
11:10 AM - 11:30 AM	Dr. K. C. Bansal <i>"Transforming Indian agriculture through genome editing: Challenges and opportunities."</i>	Dr. Sudesh K. Yadav <i>"Harnessing tissue culture and biomanufacturing technologies to boost the bioeconomy."</i>	Dr. Anil K. Singh <i>"Engineering stress-resilient crops: From gene discovery to genome editing."</i>
11:30 AM - 11:50 AM	Dr. Raj Deepika Chauhan <i>"Trait improvement in commodity and specialty crops using advanced gene editing platforms."</i>	Dr. Celia Chalam <i>"Quarantine regulations and diagnostics for biosecurity against transboundary pests in imported planting material including tissue culture."</i>	Dr. Jagadis Gupta Kapuganti <i>"The role of Nitric Oxide in hypoxia and plant mitochondrial biogenesis."</i>

11:50 AM – 12:10 PM	Dr. Satendra K. Mangrauthia <i>"From lab to field: The rise of genome-edited rice crop in India."</i>	Dr. Ashish Phadke <i>"Importance of sustainability in the plant tissue culture industry."</i>	Dr. Soumitra Paul <i>"Engineering the future of food: R40 lectins as scaffolds for climate-resilient rice."</i>
12:10 PM – 12:30 PM	Dr. Siddharth Tiwari <i>"Enhancing nutritional quality in crop plants using genome editing."</i>	Dr. Sanjay Wayal <i>"Advancing global plant tissue culture through innovation, sustainability, and AI-driven agriculture."</i>	Dr. Rohini N. Garg <i>"Beyond the linear genome: G-quadruplex DNA and structural control of plant development."</i>
Oral Presentations			
12:30 PM – 12:40 PM	Dr. Chanchal Kumari <i>"Optimized regeneration for CRISPR/Cas9 editing of blast susceptibility genes for enhanced blast resistance in Samba Mahsuri."</i>	Dr. Sumita Kachhwaha <i>"New avenues for entrepreneurship: Nanotechnological interventions for bio-manufacturing, nutritional security and climate resilient plants."</i>	Dr. Deepak Kumar <i>"Loss- and gain-of-function studies reveal VrMYB104 as a central regulator of flooding stress-induced hypoxia adaptation."</i>
12:40 PM – 12:50 PM	Mr. Ashis Majhi <i>"From callus to phenotype: rewriting rice miRNA functions with high-throughput CRISPR/Cas9 system."</i>	Dr. Fenilkumar S. Patel <i>"In vitro and plant-based LC-MS/MS assessment of guggulsterone E and Z in Commiphora wightii (Arnott.) bhandari: A sustainable source of phytosteroids and antioxidants."</i>	Dr. V. Sreeharsha Rachapudi <i>"Exogenous hormone application induces physiological, metabolic, and transcriptional reprogramming in Pigeonpea to confer drought tolerance."</i>
12:50 PM – 1:00 PM	Felicitation of the Speakers		
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM	Lunch		
	Venue: Auditorium 1 Session 1E: Novel Ways of Gene Expression Regulation Chair: Dr. Prabodh K. Trivedi Co-chair: Dr. Aashish Ranjan	Venue: Auditorium 2 Session 2E: Plant Pathogen Interactions Chair: Dr. T.R. Sharma Co-chair: Dr. Debasis Chakrabarty	Venue: Lecture Hall 2 Session 3E: Tree Genomics and Bioeconomy Chair: Prof. Timir B. Jha Co-chair: Prof. Nirmal Joshee
Lead Lectures			
2:00 PM – 2:20 PM	Dr. Prabodh K. Trivedi <i>"Small peptides, big impact: miPEP- and cPEP-mediated control of plant development and stress tolerance."</i>	Dr. Tilak Raj Sharma <i>"Discovery of a novel blast resistance gene transforming rice cultivation."</i>	Prof. Nirmal Joshee <i>"Paulownia tree for sustainable bioeconomy: Reality or an enigma."</i>
2:20 PM – 2:40 PM	Dr. Saloni Mathur <i>"The miR169-target axis: Balancing plant productivity and stress resilience."</i>	Dr. Gopaljee Jha <i>"Developing sheath blight disease tolerance in rice through modulation of susceptibility factor."</i>	Dr. Malay Das <i>"High-quality genome assembly of Bambusa tulda reveals genetic basis of floral development and opportunities for ligno-cellulose engineering in tree bamboo."</i>

2:40 PM – 3:00 PM	Dr. Ananda Mustafiz <i>“OsDInc-MIM169, a novel lncRNA confers abiotic stress tolerance in plants via regulating miR169-NF-YA module.”</i>	Dr. Jyothilakshmi Vadassery <i>“A novel ABC transporter, JACE1, couples calcium mediated jasmonate export with plant immunity.”</i>	Dr. Dharam P. Sharma <i>“Quest for a self-fertile almond.”</i>
Oral Presentations			
3:00 PM – 3:10 PM	Dr. Dhanraj Singh <i>“The small RNA biogenesis in rice is regulated by MAP kinase-mediated OsCDKD phosphorylation.”</i>	Dr. Riddhi Datta <i>“Osr40c1: Orchestrating a dual-defense strategy against drought and rice blast.”</i>	Dr. Jayasankar Subramanian <i>“Enhanced fruit retention and mitigation of bitterpit in ‘Honeycrisp’ apples - by Hexanal (Malus domestica Borkh.).”</i>
3:10 PM – 3:20 PM	Dr. Maitri Mukeshkumar Trivedi <i>“Modern strategies for gene overexpression in plants.”</i>	Ms. Iqra Nafees Khan <i>“Cross-kingdom proteomics uncovers conserved and host-specific pathways during Fusarium infection in chickpea and worm.”</i>	
3:20 PM – 3:30 PM	Felicitation of the Speakers		
3:30 PM – 4:00 PM	Tea Break		
PTCA (I) Membership Presentations Chair: Prof. Pramod Tandon; Co-chair: Prof. Rakhi Chaturvedi Venue: Auditorium 1			
4:00 PM – 5:30 PM	Dr. Dipak Gayen <i>“Functional genomics and organelle proteomics to improve seed quality, nutritional stability, and stress resilience in crops.”</i>		
	Dr. Gulab C. Arya <i>“Cuticle modifications in tomato fruit skin alters its ultrastructure and physiological properties.”</i>		
	Dr. Keithellakpam Sanatombi <i>“Enhanced production of high-value secondary metabolites through plant tissue culture systems for sustainable biomanufacturing.”</i>		
	Dr. Kutubuddin Molla <i>“Building indigenous genome-editing platforms for next-generation crop improvement.”</i>		
	Dr. Munish Sharma <i>“Harnessing bioreactor technology for sustainable production of quality herb biomass and bioactive metabolites of medicinal value.”</i>		

	<p>Dr. Promila Pathak <i>"Medicinal orchids of India: Diversity, utilization, and conservation perspectives."</i></p>
	<p>Dr. Sonia Malik <i>"Biotechnological approaches for the sustainable production of root-derived specialized metabolites."</i></p>
	<p>Dr. Sumit Ghosh <i>"Elucidation of the biosynthetic pathway of C3-epimeric triterpenoids in Boswellia."</i></p>
	<p>Dr. Vishal Sharma <i>"Plant tissue culture interventions for mass propagation and improvement of horticultural and medicinal plant species."</i></p>
5:30 PM – 6:30 PM	<p>PTCA (I) Annual General Body Meeting Venue: Auditorium 1</p>
6:00 PM – 7:30 PM	<p>Poster Session (II) Thematic Areas: Biomanufacturing and Entrepreneurship; Omics and Genome Editing for Plant Functions; Physiological Innovations In Plant Development; Plant Pathogen Interaction</p>
7:30 PM onwards	<p>Dinner</p>

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Day 4: Friday, February 20, 2026

	Venue: Auditorium 1 Session 1F: Physiological Basis of Plant Performance Chair: Prof. Sanjay Kapoor Co-chair: Dr. Santosh B. Satbhai	Venue: Auditorium 2 Session 2F: Virus and Plant Immunity Chair: Prof. Indranil Dasgupta Co-chair: Prof. Virendra K. Baranwal	Venue: Lecture Hall 2 Session 3F: Tissue Culture Driven Innovations Chair: Prof. Swapan Datta Co-chair: Prof. Kashmir Singh
Lead Lectures			
09:30 AM – 09:50 AM	Dr. Alok K. Sinha <i>“Mitogen-Activated Protein Kinase switches regulating cell cycle in Rice.”</i>	Prof. Praveen K. Verma <i>“Surviving the odds: Mechanism of fungal survival under hostile host environment.”</i>	Prof. Swapan Datta <i>“A journey of Plant Tissue Culture System (PTCS) towards development of designer crops.”</i>
09:50 AM – 10:10 AM	Dr. Santosh B. Satbhai <i>“HY5 at the crossroads: Integrating light signals and iron deficiency responses in plants.”</i>	Prof. Virendra K. Baranwal <i>“Role and importance of virus indexing of tissue culture plants in Indian scenario.”</i>	Prof. Kashmir Singh <i>“Tissue culture studies on important medicinal plants Nardostachys jatamansi and Narcissus poeticus.”</i>
10:10 AM – 10:30 AM	Dr. Aashish Ranjan <i>“Photosynthesis at the interface of leaf developmental features: Insights from natural variation and genomics.”</i>	Prof. Indranil Dasgupta <i>“Viruses as tools for plant biotechnology.”</i>	Dr. J. Pon Samuel <i>“Next-generation cargo delivery technologies and in vitro system: nano-carrier-mediated applications.”</i>
Oral Presentations			
10:30 AM – 10:40 AM	Ms. Madhushree Dutta <i>“PROTON GRADIENT REGULATION 5 mediated photoprotection sustains photosynthetic performance under heat stress in potato (Solanum tuberosum L.).”</i>	Dr. Smrutisanjita Behera <i>“Exploring the role of vesicles in pathogen recognition and resistance during rice-Xoo interaction.”</i>	Prof. Kavindra Nath Tiwari <i>“Micropropagated Nyctanthes arbor-tristis L. derived raw materials evaluated for metabolomics and neuroprotective potential using rat model.”</i>
10:40 AM – 10:50 AM	Mr. Aravind M. <i>“Distinct development-associated roles of rice histone variant H2A.X in suppressing deposition of active H3K4me3 marks and in restricting H2A.W incorporation.”</i>	Ms. Shikha Gautam <i>“PROTEIN L-ISOASPARTYL METHYLTRANSFERASES provides tolerance against sheath blight disease in rice.”</i>	Ms. Dimpal Mehla <i>“Plant tissue culture-driven approaches for engineering sorghum as a plant vaccine production host.”</i>
10:50 AM – 11:00 AM	Felicitation of the Speakers		

11:00AM - 11:30 AM	Tea Break
Venue: Auditorium 1	
11:30 AM - 12:15 PM	<p>Panel Discussion</p> <p>Topic: Plant Tissue Culture Industry in India and its Future</p> <p>Panelists: Prof. Pramod Tandon, Dr. Anil Patil, Dr. Dilip Kushwaha, Dr. Amey D. Paatil, Mr. Sushant Deshmukh, Mr. Hari K. Pothina, Dr. Akhilesh Chaurasia, Dr. B.D. Mohanty</p>
12:20 PM - 12:30 PM	<p>Address by the Chief Guest</p> <p>Dr. Rajesh S. Gokhale</p> <p>Secretary, Department of Biotechnology, Ministry of Science and Technology, Govt. of India</p>
12:30 PM - 1:30 PM	Award and Valedictory Session
1:30 PM - 2:30 PM	Lunch
3:00 PM	END OF SYMPOSIUM

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