



National Conference EntoFrontiers 2026 Entomology Students Conclave 2026 & ESI-Foundation Day

27-29 January 2026

Venue

Kerala Agricultural University
Vellanikkara, Thrissur

Organisers



Indian Council of Agricultural Research, New Delhi
Entomological Society of India, New Delhi
ICAR- Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi
Kerala Agricultural University, Vellanikkara, Thrissur



ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF INDIA
INDIAN COUNCIL OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH
ICAR- INDIAN AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE
KERALA AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY

Cordially invites you for the Inaugural Ceremony of

ENTOFRONTIERS 2026
ENTOMOLOGY STUDENTS CONCLAVE 2026
ESI-FOUNDATION DAY

27th January 2026 at 10 a.m.

Central auditorium,

Kerala Agricultural University, Thrissur

Inauguration

: Dr. B. Ashok IAS

Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, KAU

Guest of Honour

: Dr. Poonam Jasrotia

ADG (PP&B), ICAR

Guest of Honour

: Dr. S. N. Sushil

ICAR-NBAIR, Bengaluru

ESI Foundation Day Lecture

: Dr. Hema Somanathan

Professor,
IISER, Thiruvananthapuram

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

INAUGURAL CEREMONY

**Central auditorium,
Kerala Agricultural University,
Vellanikkara, Thrissur**

27.01.2026
(TUESDAY)
10.00 a.m.

10.00 a.m.	ICAR Invocation song KAU Invocation song	Dr. Sachin S. Suroshe General Secretary, ESI
10.05 a.m.	Welcome address	Dr. V. V. Ramamurthy President, ESI
10.10 a.m.	Presidential address	Dr. B. Ashok IAS
10.20 a.m.	Lighting the lamp by dignitaries & Inaugural address by the Chief Guest	Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, KAU
10.35 a.m.	Address by Guest of honour	Dr. Poonam Jasrotia ADG (PP&B), ICAR
10.45 a.m.	Address by Guest of honour	Dr. S. N. Sushil ICAR-NBAIR, Bengaluru
10.55 a.m.	ESI Award Ceremony and Release of Books of Abstract of the Conference and Souvenir of ESI Foundation Day	All the Dignitaries on the Dias Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, KAU
11.10 a.m.	Felicitation	Dr. A. Sakeer Hussain Registrar, KAU
11.15 a.m.	Felicitation	Dr. K. N. Anith Director of Research, KAU
11.20 a.m.		Felicitating the Dignitaries
11.25 a.m.	Vote of thanks	Dr. Mani Chellappan Dean, CoA, Vellanikkara
		National Anthem
11.30 a.m.		Tea Break

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

Chairman : **Dr. V. V. Ramamurthy**

President, ESI

Co-Chairman : **Dr. Poonam Jasrotia**

ADG (PP&B), ICAR

Convenor : **Dr. S. Subramanian**

ESI Zonal President, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi

11.45 a.m. **Introduction of the Speaker by the Chairman**

Dr. V. V. Ramamurthy

President, ESI

11.50 a.m. **ESI Foundation Day Lecture**

Dr. Hema Somanathan

Professor, School of Biology,
IISER, Thiruvananthapuram

12.45 p.m. **Felicitating the Speaker**

Dr. V. V. Ramamurthy

President, ESI

12.50 p.m. **ESI Special lecture on “Anusandhan National Research Foundation: Catalyzing India’s Rise as a Research and Innovation Powerhouse”**

Dr. Pramod Kumar Prasad

Scientist

Anusandhan National Research Foundation (ANRF)

01.15 p.m. **Vote of thanks**

Dr. S. Subramanian

ESI Zonal President,
ICAR-IARI, New Delhi

ESI FOUNDATION DAY LECTURE