



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**

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| 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 |

INAUGURAL CEREMONY

Central auditorium,
Kerala Agricultural University,
Vellanikkara, Thrissur

27.01.2026

(TUESDAY)

10.00 a.m.

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

10.00 a.m. ICAR Invocation song
KAU Invocation song

10.05 a.m. Welcome address

10.10 a.m. Presidential address

10.20 a.m. Lighting the lamp by
dignitaries & Inaugural
address by the Chief Guest

10.35 a.m. Address by Guest of honour

10.45 a.m. Address by Guest of honour

10.55 a.m. ESI Award Ceremony and Release of
Books of Abstract of the Conference
and Souvenir of ESI Foundation Day

11.10 a.m. Felicitation

11.15 a.m. Felicitation

11.20 a.m.

11.25 a.m. Vote of thanks

National Anthem

11.30 a.m.

Dr. Sachin S. Suroshe
General Secretary, ESI

Dr. V. V. Ramamurthy
President, ESI

Dr. B. Ashok IAS
Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, KAU

Dr. Poonam Jasrotia
ADG (PP&B), ICAR

Dr. S. N. Sushil
ICAR-NBAIR, Bengaluru

All the Dignitaries on the Dias
Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, KAU

Dr. A. Sakeer Hussain
Registrar, KAU

Dr. K. N. Anith
Director of Research, KAU

Felicitating the Dignitaries

Dr. Mani Chellappan
Dean, CoA, Vellanikkara

Tea Break

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

ESI FOUNDATION DAY LECTURE

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