

**National Seminar
on
Economic Insects of NE India:
Thrust on Recent Advances in
Vanya Silks**

8th & 9th February 2017

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Kokrajhar, Assam

BACKGROUND

India is the homeland of all the five varieties of natural silks viz., Mulberry, Tasar, Oak Tasar, Muga and Eri silk. Among which Muga and Eri silk is endemic to North East region of India. The raw silk production of eri silk has reached its all time high up to a tune of 5060 MT whereas Muga silk production has reached to 166 MT during 2015-16. Both the sectors of the silk industry are highly unorganized unlike mulberry silk sector. Muga and Eri industry is facing certain biotic and abiotic problems hindering its potential raw silk production. Impact of global warming coupled with climate change on the growth of the industry cannot be ignored. Rapid proliferation of small tea growers in upper Assam leads to shrinkage of traditional muga plantation. Further, unique qualities of eri and muga silks are to be highlighted in domestic and international levels to percolate the benefits to the rearers. Hence, it is high time to find out research inputs and other innovative ideas for upliftment of cottage based Eri and Muga sericulture industry of our country. It is hoped that based on the R&D findings and new innovative ideas, the Muga and Eri farmers can improve the quality of living with better remunerations in seed production, rearing, reeling, weaving and other associated activities.

Sub theme/subject areas

- (1) Biodiversity of Economically Important Insects
- (2) Vanya Silks of NE India: R&D Approaches and Technological Innovations
- (3) Technologies and its impact on Vanya sericulture
- (4) Seri-biotechnology
- (5) Conservation of Vanya Silkworms
- (6) Assessment of seri-stakeholders needs in fulfilling National Vision 2030 of Silk Industry

- (7) Diversification in Vanya Silk Sector
- (8) Impact of climate change and environmental pollution on Vanya Silk Industry
- (9) IT-initiative in Vanya Silk Sector
- (10) Issues on Human Resource Development in Silk sectors

CALL FOR PAPERS

Participants are invited to present research / review / thematic/ case studies etc. papers based on their own research work / expertise / experiences in various fields. The abstract of the paper should be typed in 12 pt Times New Roman Font in A4 size paper (MS Word doc.) not more than 200 words. The title should be in capital letters followed by the name of the author/co-authors and address (including email and mobile no.). Photographs should in JPEG format. It is requested to submit the manuscript by email to seminar.cmerti@gmail.com on or before 20th January 2017. The full papers will be compiled and published in the form of book separately.

OBJECTIVES

The seminar aims to provide a common platform to discuss about the recent developments in R&D sector of Vanya silks throughout the country. The seminar is expected to gather new and innovative ideas for overall development of Vanya silks.

PARTICIPANTS

Researchers, Planners, Research Scholars, Entrepreneurs, Exporters, State Govt. officials and Selected Lead Farmers

ACCOMMODATION

The accommodation (A/C Delux/ non AC rooms) will be arranged on paid basis at guest house/hotels on first cum first service basis. Please contact Organizing Secretary for further details. The Key

note speakers and selected Lead farmers will be provided accommodation on free of cost.

IMPORTANT DATES

Call for papers: 16th December 2016
Deadline for submission of abstract: 20th January 2017
Notification of acceptance: 23rd January 2017
Seminar dates: 8th & 9th February 2017

REGISTRATION FEE

Participants	Till 20.01.2017	Afterwards
Delegates	Rs. 1000/-	1500/-
Scholars/Students	Rs. 800/-	1000/-

Registration fees include Conference Kit, Working Lunch, Conference Tea & Snacks and Souvenir and Abstract of research papers.

CORRESPONDENCE

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CLIMATE

During January-February, the weather at Kokrajhar is pleasant and records indicate temperatures by day reach 24.7°C (76.4°F) on average falling to 11.4°C (52.5°F) overnight.

VENUE

The seminar is proposed to be organized at Conference Hall, PWD Department, Kokrajhar (BTC). The city is well connected by road and railway. Nearest Air Port is Guwahati which is around 250km away from the Kokrajhar city.

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