



ICDA 2020



6TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON DRY ZONE AGRICULTURE

3rd and 4th December 2020

Chief Guest

Prof. S.Srisatkunarajah

Vice Chancellor, University of Jaffna, Sri Lanka

Guest of Honour

Dr. W.L.G. Samarasinghe

Additional Secretary (Agriculture Development),
Ministry of Agriculture

PROGRAMME

Day I (3rd December 2020)

Inaugural Session

08.00 am – 08.30 am	Registration
08.30 am – 08.45 am	Lighting of Traditional Oil lamp
08.45 am – 09.00 am	Welcome Address by Convener Ms. S. Sivakanthan
09.00 am – 09.15 am	Address by Conference Chair Dr. K. Sooriyakumar Dean, Faculty of Agriculture
09.15 am – 09.30 am	Address by Chief Guest Prof. S. Srisatkunarajah Vice Chancellor, University of Jaffna

09.30 am – 10.00 am	Address by Guest of Honour Dr.W.L.G.Samarasinghe Additional Secretary (Agriculture Development), Ministry of Agriculture <i>“Agriculture Biodiversity for Food and Nutrition”</i>
10.00 am – 10.10 am	Releasing of the Proceedings of ICDA 2020
10.10 am – 10.20 am	Releasing of the Journal of Dry Zone Agriculture
10.30 am – 11.00 am	Keynote Address by Professor Naresh Thevathasan, School of Environmental Sciences, University of Guelph, Canada <i>“Tree-based Agriculture to Enhance Resilience under Changing Climates”</i>
11.00 am – 11.30 am	Keynote Address by Professor J.K. Vidanarachchi, Department of Animal Science, University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka <i>“More Milk for All: Shifting Horizon for Sustainable Dairy Production in Dry Zone of Sri Lanka”</i>
11.30 am – 12.00 pm	Keynote Address by Professor R. Raman, Faculty of Agriculture, Annamalai University, Tamil Nadu, India <i>“Sustainable Pulse Production through Integrated Crop Management Practices”</i>
12.00 pm – 12.30 pm	Keynote Address by Dr. (Ms.) S. Uma, National Research Centre for Banana, Tamil Nadu, India <i>“Developing Climate Resilient Banana Industry”</i>
12.30 pm – 12.40 pm	Vote of Thanks by Secretary Ms.S.Selvaskanthan

Parallel Technical Sessions (Virtual)

01.30 pm – 03.30 pm Session I and Session II

Day 2 (4th December 2020)

Parallel Technical Sessions (Virtual)

09.00 am – 10.15 am	Session III and Session VIII
10.15 am – 11.30 am	Session IV and Session IX
11.30 am – 12.30 pm	Session V and Session X
01.00 pm – 02.30 pm	Session VI and Session XI
02.30 am – 03.30 am	Session VII
03.30 pm – 03.40 pm	Concluding Remarks