



Association for Conservation of Microbes and Application
(ACMA) in association with
National Bureau of Agriculturally Important Microorganisms
(NBAIM) announce:



Microbial Innovations for Sustainable Agriculture (MISA-2026)

National Conference cum Industry Summit

18-19 March 2026

ICAR-National Bureau of Agriculturally Important Microorganisms (NBAIM), Mau, Uttar Pradesh

First Announcement

Sustainable agriculture is entering a transformative era driven by microbial technologies, MISA2026 aims to bring together researchers, academicians, policymakers, and industry leaders to explore cutting edge microbial innovations shaping future agriculture.

Key Highlights of the Conference

- ✓ **Microbiome Engineering & Management**
Harnessing plant-associated microbiomes for enhanced productivity and stress resilience.
- ✓ **Microbial Biotechnology & Product Development**
Advances in biofertilizers, biopesticides, biostimulants, and next-generation microbial formulations.
- ✓ **Microbes for Climate Resilient Agriculture**
Microbial solutions for optimizing drought nutrient stress, and disease stress mitigation.
- ✓ **A dedicated Industry Summit** to showcase microbial technologies and roadmap for Next Generation Formulations.

Call for Abstracts

- ✓ Abstracts Submission: 28 February
- ✓ Early Bird Registration: 28 February
- ✓ Final Registration: 10 March

Sponsorship

	Platinum		Gold
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Invitation

It is our great pleasure to invite subject experts, researchers, academicians, and industry representatives to the National Conference cum Industry Summit titled “**Microbial Innovations for Sustainable Agriculture (MISA-2026)**”, scheduled for **March 18-19, 2026**, at the **ICAR-National Bureau of Agriculturally Important Microorganisms (NBAIM), Mau, Uttar Pradesh**.

The role of microbial technologies in addressing agricultural challenges, enhancing crop resilience, and promoting soil health is gaining unprecedented significance. With increasing global emphasis on sustainable and climate-resilient agriculture, microbial interventions are emerging as vital tools for ensuring productivity, environmental sustainability, and food security. This evolving landscape has fostered interdisciplinary collaborations among researchers, innovators, and industry leaders dedicated to developing safe, efficient, and scalable biological solutions.

MISA-2026 aims to provide a dynamic platform for the exchange of knowledge, ideas, and technological advancements in microbiome engineering, microbial biotechnology, and next-generation microbial formulations. The conference will emphasize translational research and academia–industry partnerships to accelerate the adoption of innovative microbial solutions for sustainable agriculture.

We warmly welcome your participation and valuable contributions to this important scientific gathering.

About the Conference:

MISA-2026 (Microbial Innovations for Sustainable Agriculture) aims to provide a dynamic platform for researchers, academicians, policymakers, and industry leaders to deliberate on emerging microbial technologies shaping the future of agriculture. The conference will highlight recent advances in microbiome engineering, microbial biotechnology, and climate-resilient agricultural solutions.

By fostering interdisciplinary dialogue and strengthening academia-industry partnerships, MISA-2026 seeks to accelerate the translation of scientific discoveries into sustainable, scalable, and next-generation agricultural innovations.

A separate Industry Summit will be organized for different Industry working directly or indirectly in the field of Biologicals in agriculture. This will also include Showcasing of the developed and new microbial technologies of ICAR-NBAIM.

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PRESENTATION

1. Special Lectures:

- Delivered by eminent scientists/expert in the subject. Each speaker will be allotted 20 minutes for presentation

2. Oral Presentations:

- Two speakers per session, selected based on relevance to the theme.
- Each speaker will be allotted 10 minutes for presentation.

CALL FOR ABSTRACT AND GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSION

Abstracts are invited from stakeholders: students, research scholars, faculties, and industrialists.

Guidelines for Abstract Preparation:

- Abstract in English, themed around the conference topics.
- Length: 250 words (max).
- Font: Times New Roman, size 12, line spacing 1.5.
- Title: Running and bold.
- Author(s) name and affiliation with full address.
- Presenting author underlined.
- Some abstracts will be chosen for oral presentation, others for posters.

Online Submission:

- Visit the website <https://nbaim.org.in> and <https://conference.nbaim.org.in> follow "Guidelines for Submission of Abstract & Registration," then proceed to the registration link.

POSTER SESSION

- A session for all conference themes.
- Best posters in each session will be awarded.

REGISTRATION FEE AND IMPORTANT DATES

Key Dates:

- Abstract submission deadline: Feb 28, 2026.
- Accepted abstracts communicated by March 5, 2026.
- Early bird registration by Feb 28, 2026.

Registration Fees:

	ACMA members	ACMA non-members
Scientist / Faculty	Rs. 2500	Rs. 3000
Student / Research Fellow	Rs. 800	Rs. 1000
Industry / Corporate	Rs. 4000	Rs. 5000

(Note: For ACMA Membership information and group membership discount, write to acma.micro@gmail.com.)

Conference Awards:

Applications are invited for the following categories of the award (Three awards will be given in each category; eligibility criteria and other details are available on website <https://nbaim.org.in> and <https://conference.nbaim.org.in>)

Industry Awards:

1. Best start-up award (In Microbial/Biological products)
2. Outstanding achiever in Biostimulants
3. Outstanding achiever in Biopesticides
4. Outstanding achiever in Biofertilizers

Academia Awards:

1. Young Scientist award
2. Best Women Scientist Award
3. Best Scientist Award

Life membership of ACMA is compulsory for award nominations. Industries are required to deposit a processing fee of Rs. 5000/- for award nomination.

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About NBAIM

ICAR-NBAIM is a constituent organization under the aegis of Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR). The Bureau started functioning from July, 2001. During the XIth plan, NBAIM was designated as a Recognized Repository under the National Biodiversity Act (2002) for storing microbial wealth in India and in 2014, the Bureau acquired ISO 9001:2008 certification. The Bureau is making all-out effort to acquire the status of IDA by WIPO under Budapest Treaty; the proposal is in final stage of award. The Bureau is among one of the premier organizations of agricultural and microbial biotechnology prioritizing its responsibilities in the area of collection, isolation, conservation, management and utilization of agriculturally important microorganisms (AIMs) in the country. The Bureau is engaged in the multifarious activities in the area of microbial diversity, biological control, microbial genomics, preservation and maintenance of microbial cultures. The Bureau is also engaged in supply of pure cultures to various research organizations and provides microbial identification services. Developing the technical and scientific skills among the researchers, scientists, students and industry people through education and training for the microbial identification and characterization is among the prime aims of the Bureau and it is making significant progress in this area with commendable dedication.

The Bureau has fully established instrumentation facilities and working laboratory infrastructure to work in the domain of collection and conservation of microorganisms, microbial biotechnology, genomics and bioinformatics, proteomics and metabolomics, plant microbe interactions, microbe mediated alleviation of biotic and abiotic stresses and development of microbial bioformulations.

NBAIM has established and strengthened National Agriculturally Important Microbial Culture Collection (NAIMCC) which is an affiliated member of World Federation of Culture Collection (WFCC). NAIMCC has state-of-the-art facilities for short term and long-term conservation of microorganisms with more than 6500 preserved accessions of fungi, bacteria, actinomycetes, cyanobacteria and archaea. The Bureau is partner of CABIN project for microbial domain and is equipped with High Performance Computing System (HPC) to cater the need of high-performance computing in the field of agricultural bioinformatics and computational biology.



Tourist attraction around Mau

Vandevi Mandir

Driving Distance 15 Minutes

Situated 12 km in the southwest direction from the district headquarters, in the captivating beauty of nature is Jagat Janani Sita Mata's temple, Vandevi. Today, this temple is the center of attraction for followers. Along with its natural beauty, Vandevi temple also stands for its historical and cultural importance. On the basis of public opinion and geographical evidence, this place is famous for being the place for meditative contemplation of maharishi Valmiki. Accommodation of the rishi must have been nearby. It is said that mother Sita, following her unshakable marital duties towards her husband, gave birth to her two sons, Love and Kush at this place. This place is related to the literary great, Valmiki, as well as, a symbol of the entire Bharat, Lord Ram and mother Sita.



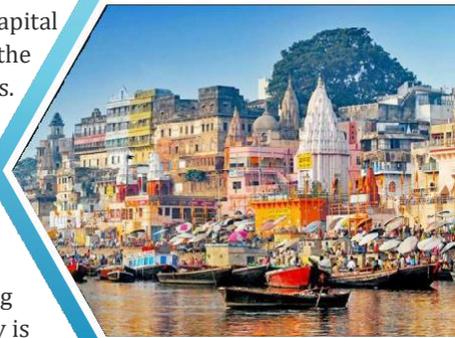
Varanasi and Sarnath

Driving Distance 2.30 hrs.

Sarnath is a place located 10 kilometres north-east of Varanasi near the confluence of the Ganges and the Varuna rivers in Uttar Pradesh, India. The deer park in Sarnath is where Gautama Buddha first taught the Dhamma, and where the Buddhist Sangha came into existence through the enlightenment of Kondanna. The most celebrated pillar is the one at Sarnath. The national emblem of India, featuring four lions and a dharma chakra (the wheel representing the Buddhist teachings), is derived from it. The chakra also appears on the Indian flag.



Varanasi is a city in the northern Indian state of Uttar Pradesh dating to the 11th century B.C. Regarded as the spiritual capital of India, the city draws Hindu pilgrims who bathe in the Ganges River's sacred waters and perform funeral rites. Along the city's winding streets are some 2,000 temples, including Kashi Vishwanath, the "Golden Temple," dedicated to the Hindu god Shiva

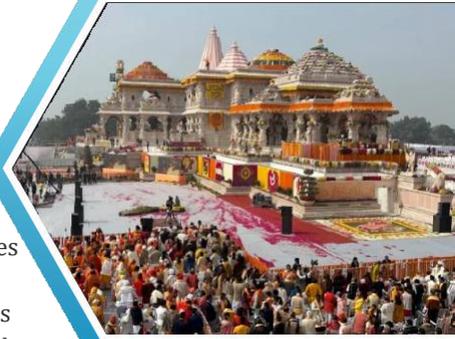


Varanasi has been a cultural centre of North India for several thousand years, and is closely associated with the Ganges. Hindus believe that death in the city will bring salvation, making it a major centre for pilgrimage. The city is known worldwide for its many ghats, embankments made in steps of stone slabs along the river bank where pilgrims perform ritual ablutions. Of particular note are the Dashashwamedh Ghat, the Panchganga Ghat, the Manikarnika Ghat and the Harishchandra Ghat, the last two being where Hindus cremate their dead and the Hindu genealogy registers at Varanasi are kept here.

Ayodhya Dham

Driving Distance 3.30 hrs.

Ayodhya is believed to be the birthplace of Lord Rama. It holds immense significance for millions of devotees. The ancient city witnessed the unfolding of the epic Ramayana, a timeless narrative that transcends generations. As you stand before the Ayodhya Ram Temple, you can't help but feel the echoes of the past as the bricks and stones seem to whisper the age-old stories of devotion and righteousness. Ayodhya is one of the top holy sites in India. It is known for some of the most famous Ayodhya temples that attract tourists from all across the country.



Kushi Nagar

Driving Distance 2.00 hrs.

Ancient town of Kushinagar in Uttar Pradesh gets its name from Kusha the son of the Legendary God king Ram who founded and ruled the city. The archeological findings in the town date back to the 3rd century BC and belong to the Mauryan Emperor Ashoka. Kushinagar today is a major pilgrimage center for the Buddhists in India and also finds mention in the writings of the Chinese traveler and pilgrim Hieun Tsang. It was at Kushinagar that Gautama Buddha attained the Mahaparinirvana.



Lumbini

Driving Distance 5.00 hrs.

Lumbini is the Buddha's birthplace, located at Rupandehi, Nepal, is one of the world's most important spiritual sites and attracts Buddhist pilgrims from around the world. Today you can visit over twenty-five Buddhist monasteries built by diverse countries from Vietnam to France, study Buddhism, meditate and visit the birthplace within the sacred Mayadevi Gardens.

Mayadevi Temple is the most sacred site in the Lumbini Garden where archaeologists have identified the exact spot where Lord Buddha was born. Inscriptions on the Ashoka Pillar nearby also refer to the spot as his birthplace. It is said that the newly born Prince Siddhartha (later became the Buddha) took his first seven steps and delivered his peace message to humanity here.

