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Asian Citrus Congress - 2023

Advancing Citriculture for Agro-economic Prosperity

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Nagpur, Maharashtra, India

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Invitation



Dear friends,

On behalf of the Indian Society of Citriculture , we are delighted to extend our invitation to the scientists, technical, extension personnel, policy makers and students from public and private research institutions as well as other stakeholders from the production, processing and commercial sector of citrus industry to attend the Asian Citrus Congress-2023 (ACC-2023) that will be held in Nagpur, India from 28-30 October, 2023, under the theme "*Advancing Citriculture for Agro-economic Prosperity*". Indian Society of Citriculture (ISC) is organizing the congress, in association with ICAR-Central Citrus Research Institute (ICAR-CCRI), India; Asia-Pacific Association of Agricultural Research Institutions (APAARI), Bangkok, Thailand and Korean Society for Citrus and Subtropical Climate Fruits (KSCSCF), Jeju City, South Korea. The citrus sector in Asian countries will be represented at the Congress by all relevant stakeholders, and the event will feature a variety of technical sessions comprising of plenary lecture, lead/invited talks, contributory oral presentations and poster session by the experts from various countries. There will also be brainstorming session, panel discussion, business meet and field trip among other events.

The ACC-2023, a unique event dedicated to advancing the citrus industry in Asia, will bring together experts from across the globe to share their knowledge, experiences and innovations. This unique event aims to establish new linkages, collaborations and networking among the delegates to transform the citrus industry in Asia.

On behalf of the organizing committee, I appeal to you to be a part of this mega event by participating in ACC-2023. We are excited to have you join us for this congress and look forward to work together to make the citrus sector in Asia vibrant and brighter in the years to come.

Eagerly waiting to meet you in Nagpur, India.



(Dilip Ghosh)

Convenor, Asian Citrus Congress - 2023
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About Asian Citrus Congress-2023 (ACC-2023)

Citrus plants, one of the world's most important fruit crops grown in more than 150 countries, are regarded native to subtropical and tropical parts of Asia, Island southeast Asia, near Oceania and northeast Australia, inhabiting the planet earth well before the birth of human civilization. The history of citrus in Asia, one of the top three fruits in the continent, is highly fascinating and offers many opportunities for learning for citrus scholars. A genomic, phylogenetic, and biogeographical analysis has established the southeast foothills of the Himalayas, which extend from eastern Assam, northern Myanmar, and western Yunnan, as the centre of origin for the genus Citrus, branching from a shared ancestor with the trifoliolate orange *Poncirus trifoliata*. According to FAO, the production of various citrus fruits in Asian continent during 2021 was 83.59 million tones from a cultivated area of 5.42 million hectares, sharing 52% area and 53% production of citrus in the world. During last decade (2012 to 2021), the area and production of citrus in Asian countries has been increased 25.5% and 42.5%, respectively.

India, known for genetic diversity of citrus covering 27 native species, is third major producers of citrus in the world, contributing 10.76% area under citrus and 8.84% citrus production in the world. Among various citrus fruits grown in India, mandarins share the maximum area and production (both 42%), followed by lemons and limes (31% and 26%, respectively), sweet orange (19% and 27%, respectively) and other citrus fruits (8% and 5%, respectively) in 2022. Nagpur mandarin is the most famous cultivar in mandarin group in India. This cultivar is mainly cultivated in the Vidarbha region of Maharashtra state, where the ACC-2023 is being organized.

Given this wealth of citrus diversity, the ACC-2023 is being organized to reframe the priorities of Asian citrus industry and put forward a roadmap to combat the growing problems of citrus industry of Asia. The event will bring together scientists, researchers, academicians, students, processors, exporters, citripreneurs, industry experts, and policymakers to discuss and exchange information on the latest developments in citriculture and to explore possible solutions to address the multipronged challenges faced by the citrus industry. It is an important event that will provide a platform for knowledge exchange, addressing challenges, networking and promoting the citrus industry in Asia. ACC-2023 will give an opportunity to the researchers and industry experts to share their knowledge and expertise in the field of citrus improvement, production, protection, processing, and marketing. Participants can learn about the latest research findings on new technologies, innovative products, services and best practices which can lead to new research alliances, business opportunities and innovation. Overall, the ACC-2023 intends to promote the citrus industry in Asia by showcasing the latest developments, innovations and successes in the field of citriculture. This can help to shape the future of the citrus industry in Asia, attract investment, stimulate economic growth and support farmers and businesses. We also believe that by bringing together the best and brightest in the Asian citrus industry, we can unleash the full potential of this vital sector and drive growth, sustainability and prosperity across Asia.

Host Organization

Indian Society of Citriculture (ISC) was established on 24th August, 1983 in New Delhi (Registration No. S/13760 of 1983). The broader aim and objectives of the Society is to advance the cause of Citriculture, encourage and promote citrus research, disseminate the knowledge and facilitate closer association among the stakeholders. The Headquarter of the Society was shifted from IARI, New Delhi to ICAR- Central Citrus Research Institute, Nagpur, Maharashtra (Formerly known as National Research Centre for Citrus) in November 1997 to boost its activities and pursue the objectives more effectively, being placed in hub of citrus industry.



Since its inception, the ISC brings together researchers, academics, citrus growers, industry experts and policymakers from across India and works closely with the government and other stakeholders to address the challenges faced by the industry. Society also aims to disseminate information on the latest research, technology and best practices in citriculture and to encourage the exchange of ideas and experiences among its members. Overall, the ISC plays a crucial role in advancing the citrus industry in India and ensuring its long-term sustainability and profitability. Its efforts are helping to promote citrus cultivation as a significant contributor to India's horticultural sector and to the country's economy as a whole.

ISC has organized several National and International seminars, workshops and conferences on various aspects of citrus cultivation, such as production, protection, processing and marketing. Few landmark events organized by the society are National Symposium on Citriculture (17-19 Nov., 1997), International Symposium on Citriculture (23-17 Nov., 1999), National Symposium on Citriculture: A Road Map (22-24 Feb., 2006); National Symposium on Citriculture: Emerging Trends (24-26 July, 2008), National Seminar on Citrus Biodiversity for Livelihood and Nutritional Security (4-5 Oct., 2010), National Dialogue on Citrus Improvement, Production and Utilization (27-29 Feb., 2012), National Citrus Meet (12-13 Aug., 2013) and National Symposium on Citrus industry of India: Way forward (27-29 Nov., 2015).

More details are available on ISC website (<https://iscindia.org.in/>)

Theme of ACC-2023

Advancing Citriculture for Agro-economic Prosperity

Citrus is a major horticultural commodity in many Asian countries, providing a significant source of income and employment for farmers, processors, traders, and other actors in the value chain. To further unleash the potential of this industry, it is essential to connect innovators from different fields and expertise towards a common goal of advancing the sector. This can be achieved through our initiatives Asian Citrus Congress-2023, which provides a platform for researchers, extension personnel, policymakers, citripreneurs, and industry experts to share their ideas, innovations, and experiences.



By promoting innovation, exchanging knowledge, and collaboration among stakeholders, the Asian Citrus Congress-2023 aims to act as a catalyst in enhancing the productivity, quality and sustainability of citrus production and trade in Asia, as well as in capturing the growing demand for citrus products in domestic and international markets. The congress will also highlight the importance of addressing the social, environmental, and economic challenges facing the citrus industry. The overarching theme of the ACC-2023 is to broaden the citrus industry in Asia in order to achieve inclusive and equitable development in citrus growing areas, support food and nutritional security, and contribute to the overall economic growth, sustainability and prosperity of all involved in the Asian citrus industry.

Logo of ACC - 2023



The near-round graphic on the left symbolizes citrus biodiversity in terms of size, shape and color; while Asian continent is represented by the white map at the centre. The typography represents the event title. The citrus fruit with green leaves at the upper right side of the logo reflects the freshness of the citrus industry and the power of mother nature. Overall, the logo uses a minimalistic approach to underline that the Asian Citrus Congress-2023 is an international event, while also suggesting a brighter future with its use of warm and vibrant citrus hues.

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Venue of ACC-2023

Nagpur is popularly known as 'Orange City of India' due to extensive cultivation of Nagpur mandarin (Santra) in this region which has received GI tag of 'Nagpur Orange' and has become a global trade mark. It is one of the fastest growing metropolises in India and third largest city as well as the winter capital of the state of Maharashtra. It is the most developed city in the region of Vidarbha and also called the 'Tiger Capital of India' or the 'Tiger Gateway of India' as many tiger reserves are located in and around the city. Nagpur, located on the eastern part of Maharashtra state, also has a rich history which can be traced back to 8th century BCE. The city has completed 320 years of establishment in the year 2022. The city is also counted amongst the most secure cities of the country; and hence, India's majority gold asset is kept in Nagpur's Branch of Reserve Bank of India. The city is well connected by roads, railways and air flights with all the major cities of India. Since ages, it has been a city of cultural and political importance. Nagpur lies precisely at the center of the country with the 'Zero Mile Marker' indicating the geographical center of India.

The ACC-2023 will be organized in the Hotel Centre Point (24, Central Bazar Road, Ramdaspath, Nagpur – 440010, Phone: +91-9266923456/6699000, Email: info.nagpur@cpgh.in). The hotel is positioned in a prime location and has reputation of hosting many international and national conferences with its modern facility.



Travel guidance

Air flight: The participants can take direct flights to Nagpur or connecting flights from Delhi, Mumbai, Bangalore or Kolkata and other destinations all around the world. Throughout the congress, local transport will be provided from Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar International Airport, Nagpur (Airport Code: NAG) to the hotels in Nagpur. During the Congress, transport will be at disposal of the participants between hotels and venue. There is a variety of options to choose from for moving from Airport to the city center. In Nagpur, local transportation is affordable and the most convenient way to explore the city.

Train: Nagpur Junction (Station Code: NGP), the main railway station in Nagpur, is well connected with all major cities in India. It belongs to A1 category stations and is one of the top 100 booking stations of Indian Railways. The main building of the station has waiting rooms for the passengers. A reception-cum-lounge is provided in the retiring rooms for the comfort of passengers during the check-in/check-out period. There are two gates for entering and leaving the station premises. The west-end Sitabuldi side is the main entry point, other is from the cotton market side.

Taxis: Taxi services are available with all-inclusive based payment methods in which there is no need to give tips in addition to the prices from city center to this airport/railway station and vice versa. Prepaid taxi counter is located in arrival lounge of the airport. Besides, participants may also hire cab service using mobile app.

Bus: City bus services to and from the airport/railway station are available intermittently.

Weather in October

Since October in Nagpur is often characterized by temperatures that are neither extremely hot nor extremely cold, attendees at the conference may anticipate the climate to be one that is agreeable. During this time period, the daytime high temperature will reach 32 degrees Celsius, while during night, temperature will drop to 20 degrees Celsius. The average temperature in Nagpur for the month of October will be around 25 degrees Celsius, and the length of the day is about 11 hours and 8 minutes. Sunrise and sunset time will be 06:30 and 17:30 Hrs IST, respectively. The likelihood of precipitation will be less over the month of October and the relative humidity will be around 70%.

For any queries related to travel, feel free to write to us: logistic@iscindia.org.in

Programmes

On 28th October, 2023, an opening ceremony will kick-off the Asian Citrus Congress-2023 at 9.00 Hrs which will be followed by two days of concurrent technical sessions. Each technical session will have a Plenary lecture to highlight an overview of the session theme; while Lead and Invited talks will provide in-depth analysis of specific aspects of citriculture. Contributory paper presentation will provide an opportunity to the participants to share their research findings. Besides scientific discussion, the "CITRI summit" is a special event that will feature a keynote speech, brainstorming session, panel discussion, and business meet on transforming the citrus industry. Throughout the congress, there will be ample opportunities for personalized R2R (researcher to researcher) and B2B (business to business) interaction. On 29th October, 2023, we will have a valedictory session where we will discuss the key takeaways from each of the technical sessions and outline the future roadmap. There will be a trip to nearby citrus farms on 30th October, 2023 for an up-close taste of the citrus industry in Vidarbha region of India. A contributory local sightseeing or city tour can be organized based on the number of interested participants.

Technical Sessions

Theme 1	Recent Trends in Improvement, Genetic Diversity, Conservation and Utilization in Citrus	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Citrus genetic diversity – characterization, conservation and utilization. • Citrus genomics, proteomics, transcriptomics, multiomics and bioinformatics. • Genetic engineering. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Citrus breeding and improved varieties. • Citrus physiology. • Micropropagation and tissue culture. • Cryopreservation. • IPR, GI and PPV&FRA.
Theme 2	Advances in Citrus Production Technology, Smart Citriculture and Application of Cutting-edge Technologies	
Sub-themes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scenario of citrus sector. • Propagation, rootstock and nursery management. • Planting systems and production models. • Orchard management including flowering regulations. • Canopy management and crop architecture. • Soil health management, plant nutrition and integrated nutrient management. • Water management and micro-irrigation. • Natural resource conservation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Citrus based cropping and farming systems. • Organic and natural citriculture. • Precision citriculture. • Climate smart technologies for abiotic stress management. • Carbon and water footprint. • Citrus microbiology. • Rejuvenation of declined orchards. • Farm mechanization. • Use of Drones, IoT, RS-GIS, AI, Automation, Sensors, Robotics, Simulation & modeling, etc.
Theme 3	Current Approaches in Citrus Health Management, Insect-Pest & Disease Surveillance and Diagnostics Approaches	
Sub-themes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spatial and temporal diversity in insect-pests and diseases. • Taxonomy and population dynamics of insect-pests. • Virus-indexing and budwood certification. • Strategic management of insect-pests and diseases including nematodes. • Ecological engineering and eco-friendly protection measures including biological control. • Citrus HLB: Present status, diagnostic approach and management. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biotechnological and nanotechnological approaches in disease diagnostics and biotic stress management. • Emerging and trans-boundary pests and diseases, their surveillance and management. • Pesticide residue in citrus, health hazards and solutions. • Disease forecasting models and forewarning system.
Theme 4	Innovations in Post-harvest Management, Valorization and Bioprospecting of Citrus	
Sub-themes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Postharvest technology including storage, cold chain and block chain management. • Processing, value addition and product development including nutraceuticals, 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nutrigenomics and metabolomics through conventional, molecular and chromatographic tools.

- functional foods biofortified food and other industrially important products.
- Bioprospecting of citrus using *in-vitro* and *in-vivo* models.
- Citrus phytochemicals.
- Food engineering and innovative packaging.
- Utilization of citrus by-products and valorization of citrus processing waste.
- Food safety and quality control.

Theme 5 Latest Developments in Technology Outreach, Citriprenurship, Trade & Export, Value Chain, Group Dynamics and Policy Formulation in Citrus Sector

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| Sub-themes | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Innovative extension approaches for skill upliftment and technology dissemination. • Supply chain and value chain management. • Farmers interest group, farmer producers' organization and farmer producer's company, etc. • Gender mainstreaming and social inclusion. • Agriprenurial ecosystem, business incubation support and citriprenurship development. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Impact analysis, success story and case study. • Indigenous technical knowledge and traditional wisdom. • Brand building, marketing and export. • Crop insurance and contract farming. • Digital agriculture, ICT and mobile apps. • Socio-economic study and policy perspective. |
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Call for Abstracts

Abstracts of scientific papers are invited for presentation during the congress. The abstract should be submitted through an online abstract submission system on the ACC-2023 website.

Abstract Preparation Guidelines

Software	Abstract should be prepared in MS Word or equivalent software compatible with MS Word.
File Format	.doc or .docx
Page Size	A4 (210 x 297 mm)
Margin	1 inch/2.54 cm from all sides
Theme	Mention the Thematic area on the upper left corner of the page. Typography: Times New Roman Font, 12 pt size, Bold, Sentence case, 1.5 spaced, Left alignment.
Title	The title should be concise, specific and informative. Avoid abbreviations and formulae wherever possible. Typography: Times New Roman Font, 14 pt size, Bold, Sentence case, 1.5 spaced, Justify alignment.

Authors	<p>All authors should write their full name. The name of the corresponding author should be prefixed with an asterisk (*). The name of all authors should be prefixed with superscript numerals if authors belong to more than one organization.</p> <p>Typography: Times New Roman Font, 12 pt size, Bold, 1.5 spaced, Justify alignment.</p>
Affiliation	<p>Complete address of the institution(s) should be given for all author(s) in the same order of sequence of authors. The respective addresses of all authors should be prefixed with superscript numerals if authors belong to more than one organization.</p> <p>Typography: Times New Roman Font, 11 pt size, Italics, Sentence case, 1.5 spaced, Justify alignment.</p>
Corresponding Author's Contact	<p>The active email id of the corresponding author should be given below the affiliation. Acceptance letter and subsequent communications will be sent to the given email.</p> <p>Typography: Times New Roman Font, 11 pt size, Regular, 1.5 spaced, Justify alignment.</p>
Main Content	<p>The main abstract should state briefly the purpose of the study, significant findings and major conclusions. The abstract should not contain any table, figure, references and non-standard or uncommon abbreviations. The abstract should be written within 300 words.</p> <p>Typography: Times New Roman Font, 12 pt size, Regular, 1.5 spaced, Justify alignment.</p>
Keywords	<p>Please mention 5-7 relevant keywords and arrange them alphabetically separated by comma (,).</p> <p>Typography: Times New Roman Font, 12 pt size, Regular, 1.5 spaced, Justify alignment.</p>

Following review by the experts, abstracts will be assigned to a technical session and the acceptance will be communicated to the corresponding author/contributor by email. All the accepted abstracts will be given an opportunity for presentation and will be published in congress proceedings. **The abstract submission portal will open on 5th May, 2023 and deadline for abstract submission is 31st August, 2023.**

For any queries related to abstract submission, presentation and technical session, feel free to write to us: technical@iscindia.org.in

CITRI summit



The citrus industry is one of the most important horticultural sectors in many countries around the world. However, like any other industry, it faces a range of challenges and opportunities that require creative and strategic solutions to drive growth and success. To address these issues, a special session "CITRI summit" will be organized as an integral part of ACC-2023 to bring together industry professionals, processors, exporter, startups, researchers, policymakers, and other stakeholders to share ideas, strategies and business models for transforming the citrus industry. The session will be comprised of keynote speech, brainstorming session, panel discussion, and

business meet to provide valuable opportunities for industry leaders and stakeholders to collaborate, innovate, and drive progress in the citrus industry. By sharing knowledge, resources, and ideas, they can develop new solutions to address the challenges facing the industry. By bringing together a diverse group of stakeholders and encouraging open communication, collaboration and networking, they can help create a more sustainable, profitable, and successful citrus industry for years to come.

For any queries related to CITRI summit, feel free to write to us: info@iscindia.org.in

Post-ACC Field Trips



On 30th October, 2023, the participants will also have the chance to participate in field trips to CCRI research farm, local citrus farms and processing facilities, where they can see first-hand how the industry operates in the region. The field trip will start at 9.00 Hrs from Hotel Centre Point and will continue up to 15.30 Hrs. Lunch and light refreshment will be provided during the field trip.

Awards

ACC-2023 is instituting Awards to Medals to encourage researchers, academicians and students mainly through special endowments received from individuals or bodies and also from its own funds. Best Presentation Award will be conferred for each technical session which is to be decided by a panel of distinguished jury members. Any individual or corporate body willing to institute any awards/medals during the congress is requested to contact the President, Indian Society of Citriculture.

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Registration

Registration in advance is mandatory for participating in ACC-2023. On-spot registration facility will not be available at congress venue. The details of registration fee are given below.

Category of Delegates	Early Bird Registration (Deadline 15.08.2023)	Regular Registration (Deadline 30.09.2023)
ISC Life Members	INR 5000.00	INR 7000.00
Researchers, Academicians, Govt. Officials	INR 6000.00	INR 8000.00
Foreign Delegates	USD 100.00	USD 125.00
Students and Research Scholars	INR 4000.00	INR 5000.00
Accompanying Person(s)	INR 4800.00	INR 6500.00
Corporate / Industry Representatives	INR 12000.00	INR 15000.00

Note: Last Date of registration is 30th September, 2023.
Only registered delegates are entitled to attend ACC-2023.

The registration fee includes

Delegates

Congress kit | Congress Proceedings | Name badge | Access to the inaugural and valedictory function | Access to all technical sessions and CITRI summit | High tea, lunch and dinner | Participation in Post-ACC field trip | A certificate for participation and/or presentation.

Accompanying Person(s)

Access to the inaugural and valedictory function | High tea, lunch and dinner.

Payment of Registration Fee

The registration fee should be paid through online transfer, UPI or credit/debit card. Payment through cash, cheque and demand draft is not acceptable. Participants may use the payment gateway link available on congress website. The official bank account of ACC-2023 is given below.

Account Name	Account Number	Bank Name
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Bank Branch	IFSC Code	SWIFT Code
Ravinagar, Nagpur, Maharashtra, India	SBIN0007504	SBININBB534

Please note

- Only early bird registrants are eligible for cancellation of registration. Cancellation request received before 15th September 2023 will be subject to a 50% refund of registration fee. Cancellations received on or after 15th September 2023 will be non-refundable. All cancellation requests must be sent through email (info@iscindia.org.in) along with payment proof and bank account details.
- There will be no refund for non-attendance except as specified in the cancellation policy.
- The registration fee is not transferable to another participant.
- Registration will not be confirmed until full fee is received.
- The organizer has taken every effort to verify the correctness of the information on the registration form but reserves the right to change or remove items from the program or services as circumstances dictate.
- The organizer is not liable for any claims, damages, or expenses arising from cancellations, disruptions, changes, or limitations to the program or services as a result of any circumstances beyond their control, including weather occurrences, terrorist events, travel restrictions, or biological/health hazards or other unforeseen events.
- Foreign registrants are strongly advised to get their own travel insurance to cover medical expenditures, cancellations, and other health hazards.
- The organizer is not liable for and releases them from any claims, damages, or expenditures arising from bodily injury, death, loss, or damage to the delegate or accompanying person(s).

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Accommodation

Participants are requested to book their accommodation directly at the below-mentioned hotel or any other hotels of their choice. Organizer may also book the hotel on request by the participants subject to payment of full tariff (non-refundable) in advance.

Hotel Centre Point (Tariff INR 7000.00 to 30000.00 per night + GST)



<https://www.centrepoinnagpur.com/>
(Venue of the ACC-2023)

24, Central Bazar Road, Ramdaspath,
Nagpur
Maharashtra – 440010, India
Tel: +91-9266923456
+91-712-6699000
E-mail: info.nagpur@cpgh.in

Hotel The Nagpur Ashok (Tariff INR 4000.00 to 7000.00 per night + GST)



<https://thenagpurashok.com/>
(2.4 kms. from the ACC-2023 venue)

WHC Road, Aath Rasta Square,
Laxmi Nagar, Nagpur, Maharashtra –
440022, India
Tel: +91-8888870722
Email: booking@thenagpurashok.com

There are many other good hotels available nearby the Congress Venue. We suggest making your reservations as early as possible to get the best discount and to avoid any tourist rush.

Government Guest Houses

Limited single/shared rooms will be made available for Indian delegates in different Government Guest houses of Nagpur and rates will vary from INR 700.00 to INR 2000.00 per person per day and it will be allotted upon request on a First Come First Serve basis.

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Sponsorship

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Platinum Sponsor (Sponsorship amount: Rs. 10.00 lakhs)

- Limited to only one (01) company/firm

Benefits

Five complimentary registrations | Full page color advertisement on front or back inner cover of congress souvenir | Right to have a 10 minute speech and participation in the panel discussion at CITRI summit (General Manager or Country Manager level) | Logo and Sponsor's Name on the ACC-2023 website with a link to the sponsor's website | Logo on the printed materials (Participation Certificate, Signages, Main Stage Backdrop, etc.) | Right to add 2 promotional materials to delegate bags | Presentation of corporate video of the sponsoring company at food court | Recognition as platinum sponsor at inaugural and valedictory function.

Diamond Sponsor (Sponsorship amount: Rs. 5.00 lakhs)

- Limited to only three (03) companies/firms

Benefits

Three complimentary registrations | Full page color advertisement in the congress souvenir | Right to participate in the panel discussion at CITRI summit | Logo and Sponsor's Name on the ACC-2023 website with a link to the sponsor's website | Logo on the printed material (Signages, Main Stage Backdrop) | Right to add 1 promotional material to delegate bags | Recognition as platinum sponsor at inaugural and valedictory function.

Gold Sponsor (Sponsorship amount: Rs. 3.00 lakhs)

- Limited to only five (05) companies/firms

Benefits

Two complimentary registrations | Full page B/W advertisement in the congress souvenir | Right to participate at CITRI summit | Logo and Sponsor's Name on the ACC-2023 website with a link to the sponsor's website | Logo on the printed material (Signages) | Right to add 1 promotional material to delegate bags | Recognition as gold sponsor at inaugural and valedictory function.

Silver Sponsor (Sponsorship amount: Rs. 2.00 lakhs)

- Limited to only ten (10) companies/firms

Benefits

One complimentary registration | Half page B/W advertisement in the congress souvenir | Logo and Sponsor's Name on the ACC-2023 website with a link to the sponsor's website | Logo on the printed material (Signages) | Recognition as silver sponsor at inaugural and valedictory function.

Bronze Sponsor (Sponsorship amount: Rs. 1.00 lakhs)

- Limited to only twenty-five (25) companies/firms

Benefits

Quarter page B/W advertisement in the congress souvenir | Logo on the ACC-2023 website | Recognition as bronze sponsor at inaugural and valedictory function.

Grand Lunch and Gala Dinner Sponsor (Sponsorship amount: Please contact the organizer)

- Limited with four (04) companies/firms
- Opportunity for co-sponsorship

Benefits

One complimentary registration for each sponsor | Logo and Sponsor's Name on the Congress website | Logo and Sponsor's Name on the dedicated signage at food court | Recognition as distinguished sponsor at inaugural and valedictory function.

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Tourist Attractions

Ambazari Lake and Garden



Situated near the Southwest border of Nagpur. It is one of the 11 lakes in Nagpur and is the largest lake in the city. The Nag River of Nagpur originates from this lake. This was built in the year 1870, under Bhonsle rule, for supplying water to the city. This lake is surrounded by mango trees, gaining the name Ambazari as "Amba" means "mango" in Marathi. The lake is beautiful and serene.

Balasaheb Thackeray Gorewada International Zoological Park



About 08 kms. away from the venue. On commission, this is likely to be one of the largest captive Zoo Safari in India with over 1914 Hectares of land adjoining the Gorewada Lake. The Park shall be having various features showcasing Tribal Art, Rescue Centre for Wildlife, Indian Safari, African Safari, Interpretation Centre, Trail of Senses, and Night Safari.

Futala Lake



Futala lake 4 Km away from the venue and covers 60 acres (24 ha). Built by the Bhosle kings of Nagpur, the lake is known for its coloured fountains. In the evenings, the site is illuminated with halogen lights and Tanga (carriage) rides. The lake is surrounded on three sides by forest and a landscaped beach on the fourth side. It is recently beautified with a world famous colourful fountain to attract the visitors round the year.

Deeksha Bhoomi



It is a sacred monument of Navayana Buddhism located at Nagpur city, where B. R. Ambedkar, embraced Buddhism on the day of Vijaya Dashami, 14 October 1956. Deekshabhoomi is a location regarded as a sacred place, prernabhoomi (inspiring land) of social revolution and also the first pilgrimage centre of Ambedkarite Buddhism in India.

Dragon Palace Temple



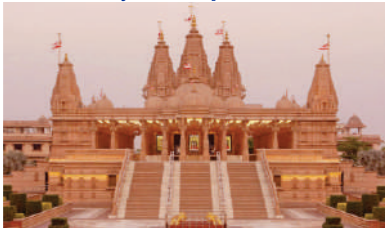
Known as the Lotus Temple of Nagpur, is a Buddhist temple in Kamptee, Maharashtra and established in 1999 with fund support Ogawa Society, a charitable trust from Japan. The temple complex encompassing the Dragon Palace houses, a carved sandalwood idol that is associated with the Buddha. Dragon Palace Temple is a place for Buddhist education and meditation, as well as a symbol of Indo-Japanese friendship.

Ramtek Temple or Ram Temple



Located at Ramtek area of Nagpur district and is dedicated to Lord Rama. According to popular belief, Lord Rama rested in this place while he was in exile before he went ahead to win over Lanka. Tek in Marathi means vow and thus Ramtek signifies 'Vow of Lord Rama'. The present temple is believed to be over 400 years old. It has a tranquil atmosphere, the mystical surroundings of a fortress and a place of worship so very rich in mythological value. It is also very popular and revered for its OM structure that is a whopping 350 feet long.

Swaminarayan Temple



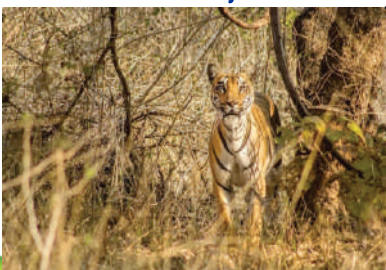
Located near Middle Ring road is the largest Swaminarayan temple among over 1000 temples set up by Swaminarayan Sanstha across the world. It's grand architecture and illuminating hues during the night forms the main attraction. The temple holds regular Satsang programmes and has idols of various deities. The architecture is stunning and had beautiful carvings on the roof. If one goes just before sunset, the temple looks ever more glorious with the rays shining on it directly.

Tadoba Andhari Tiger Reserve



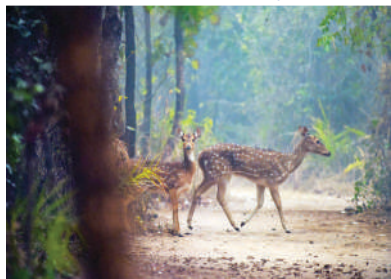
A wildlife sanctuary in Chandrapur district and is the oldest and largest national park of Maharashtra. Created in 1955, the reserve includes the Tadoba National Park and the Andhari Wildlife Sanctuary. The reserve consists of 577.96 square kms. of reserved forest and 32.51 square kms. of protected forest. Melghat Tiger Reserve (258 Kms), Navegaon Nagzira Tiger Reserve (118 Kms), Pench Tiger Reserve (60.8 Kms) and Bor Wildlife Sanctuary (63 Kms) are some other nearby wildlife sanctuaries.

Bor Wildlife Sanctuary



Covering an area of 61 sq kms., Bor is a vast wildlife sanctuary that is located at Hingni in Wardha district of Maharashtra. It is home to wildlife species like tigers, panthers, monkeys, bears, wild dogs and its flora comprises teak, ain, tendu and bamboo. For an immersive experience, tourists can stay at the Forest Guest House managed by the Forest Department of Maharashtra. The wildlife sanctuary derives its name from the gushing Bor river that divides it into two parts.

Nagzira Wildlife Sanctuary



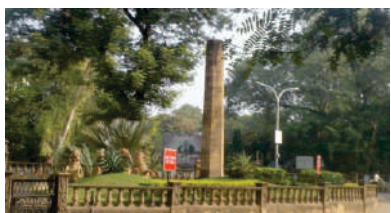
Sevagram



Khindsi Lake



Zero Mile Stone



Nagzira Wildlife Sanctuary, located in Bhandara district, attracts nature-lovers and wildlife enthusiasts. It serves as a home for a wide variety of animal species including tigers, panthers, bisons, sambars, nilgais, chitals, wild boars, sloth bears etc. Best way to explore the sanctuary is through a jungle safari that will allow to see the wild animals in their natural habitat. Itiadh Dam, Tibetan Camp at Gothangaon and Pratapgad are other important attractions of this sanctuary.

Sevagram is one of the few sites in India that provide a deeper insight into the life of Mahatma Gandhi. The ashram is divided into different parts that allow tourists to explore various nuances of the Mahatma's life. Gandhiji spent his initial days at Sevagram. The Bapu Kuti is the room where Gandhi lived. It still houses his sleeping cot along with other belongings of daily use. Tourists must check out the Gandhi Photo Exhibition at Sevagram Ashram that displays the life and works of the Mahatma.

Khindsi Lake invites tourists for its tranquil environment and picturesque views. Surrounded by lush green forests, the lake provides ample recreational opportunities for visitors. These include motorboat rides, pedal boats, rowing boats and thrilling water scooter rides. Tourists can also visit the adventure park located near the lake. Adventure lovers can indulge in jungle trekking near the lake and explore its rich biodiversity.

A monument built by British during the Great Trigonometrical Survey of India in 1907 in Nagpur. Considering it as geographical centre of India, British used this point to measure all the distances. The Zero Mile Stone consists of a pillar made up of sandstone and another small stone representing the GTS Standard Bench Mark, and four stucco horses that were added later. The height of the top of the pillar is 1020.171 feet above mean sea level.

Few other places of tourist attraction include The **Raman Science Centre** and the **Planetarium** (named after famous Nobel Prize winner Indian physicist C. V. Raman); **Shri Ganesh Mandir Tekdi** (One of the oldest temples situated at the top of a hills and dedicated to Lord Ganesh); **Nagardhan Fort**; **Ambagarh Fort**, **Bhamargarh Wildlife Sanctuary** etc.

For more information on tourist destinations, please visit

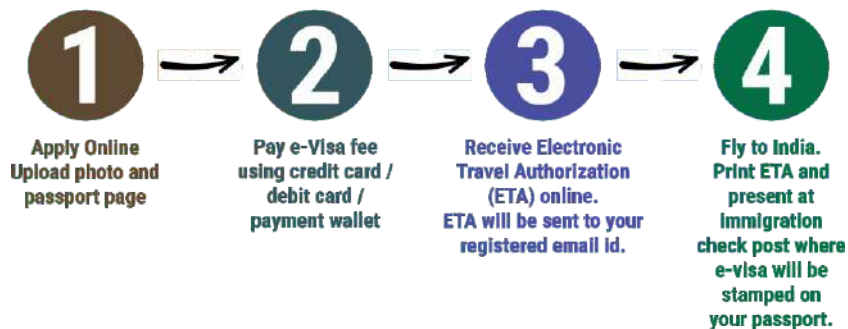
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Guide to Foreign Delegates

Visa

e-Conference Visa is granted to a foreigner whose sole objective of visiting India is attending conference. Nationals of 163 countries are eligible for e-Visa facility. For e-Conference Visa, the validity would be 30 days from the date of arrival in India with single entry. Persons holding e-Visa are allowed to enter into India only through the 29 designated airports including Nagpur. Persons holding e-Visa can depart from any of the authorized immigration check posts in India. The citizens of Bhutan, Maldives, and Nepal are allowed to enter the country for 90 days without the need of presenting a visa. They can arrive from any other country in the world except mainland China. The Visa on Arrival facility is only for the nationals of Japan, South Korea and UAE (only for such UAE nationals who had earlier obtained e-Visa or regular/paper visa for India).

e-Visa Application Process



The passport of the applicant should have at least six months validity at the time of making application for grant of e-Visa and a re-entry permit, if that is required under the law of the country of nationality of the applicant. The passport should have at least two blank pages for stamping by the Immigration Officer. The applicant should also have return ticket or onward journey ticket, with sufficient money to spend during his/her stay in India. Diplomatic/Official Passport Holders or Laissez-passer/international travel document holders or individuals endorsed on parent's/spouse's passport are not eligible for e-visa.

For applying e-Visa, please visit <https://indianvisaonline.gov.in/evisa/Registration>

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For paper visa, please visit <https://indianvisaonline.gov.in/>

Those travelling to India are also advised to go through instructions available on the website of Bureau of Immigration at <https://boi.gov.in/>

Currency, Credit Cards and Exchange

The Indian rupee (INR) is the official currency of India. Major credit cards are accepted by hotels, restaurants and shops. Banks will Exchange foreign currency and traveler's cheques with your passport as a proof of identity. ATMs are available nearby the congress venue.

Customs



For Custom formalities, please download the Information for Travellers notified by the Central Board of Indirect Taxes & Customs, Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance, Government of India

(https://dor.gov.in/sites/default/files/Infomation_travell.pdf)

For further Information, please visit <https://www.cbic.gov.in/>

International Dialing Codes

+91- Country ISD Code of India | 712- City STD Code of Nagpur

Electricity

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Weight and Measurements

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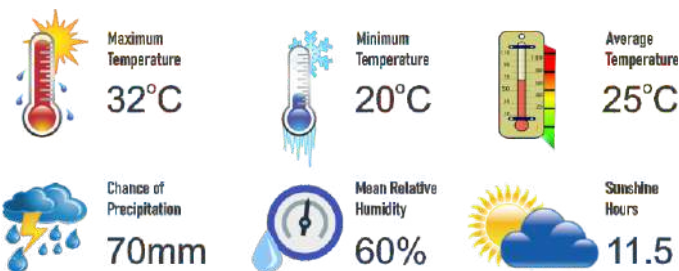
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Weather in Nagpur during October



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