

# Harmonizing Land Use for Emerging Challenges and Opportunities in the island and coastal region

Venue: ICAR-CIARI, Port Blair ;

Date: 12-13<sup>th</sup> October 2022

On the eve of 75 years of Indian independence and celebration of Azadi Ka Amrut Mahotsav, the concept of understanding and addressing the concerns of Panch Mahabhoot in agriculture was initiated by some like-minded organizations and persons in India. The initiative aims to present profound and pragmatic solutions to the challenges based on the Bharatiya Philosophy (भारतीय दर्शन) concerning the present agricultural crisis.

The agricultural crisis has severely affected nature's basic elements (the earth, the water, the fire, the air, and the space). 'Land' and "water" are amongst the five essential elements of nature, i.e., Panchmahabhoot (पञ्चमहा भूत). Thus, it is vital to secure its wholesomeness and attain order, balance, or harmony, between these elements, for the survival and sustainability of human and other life on earth.

In this context, a national symposium is proposed at ICAR-CIARI, Port Blair (12-13<sup>th</sup> October 2022) to bring together leading scientists, land managers and progressive farmers to exchange and share their experiences and research findings on all aspects of Sustainable Management soil, water and soil biodiversity. It also provides a premier interdisciplinary platform to discuss the most recent innovations, trends, and concerns as well as practical challenges encountered and solutions adopted for Sustainable Land Management in the island and coastal region.

## Panch mahabhoot



### Themes for discussion

- Land & Water Resources – Status and challenges
- Alternate management practices to reverse land and water resource degradation
- Emerging opportunities for sustainable land & water use
- Tradition / ITK in land and water management
- Challenges and experiences of Farmers in land and water management

### Jointly organized by:

- ✓ The Andaman Science Association (ASA), ICAR-CIARI, Port Blair
- ✓ ICAR-Central Island Agricultural Research Institute, Port Blair
- ✓ Bharatiya Kisan Sangh



*You are cordially invited to participate in the symposium*



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