

# Supercomputer Education and Research Centre (SERC)

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## Workshop on High Performance Computing in the Agriculture Domain

**July 14 to July 16, 2021**



under the scheme

**National Supercomputing Mission (NSM)  
Govt. of India**

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*It gives us immense pleasure to inform you that the Workshop on High Performance Computing (HPC) in the Agriculture Domain under the National Supercomputing Mission (NSM) from Supercomputer Education and Research Centre (SERC) will be hosted by IIT Indore, ICAR-IISR Indore, and Mahindra University Hyderabad in collaboration with C-DAC Pune, IISC Bangalore, IIT Kharagpur from 14 July 2021 to 16 July 2021 in virtual mode.*

*This workshop aims to bring together researchers, engineers, industry experts, students, and practitioners to make them aware of the latest HPC technologies for easing practical/research work in the area of agriculture domain. Recent developments in computational techniques in various domains of science and engineering have been strongly linked with the efficient utilization of HPC resources. Therefore, it is essential to impart HPC training to the application domain researchers.*  
**Objectives of the Workshop**

- 1) *To introduce various parallel programming models, such as CUDA, cuML, a parallel computing platform and application programming interface (API) model created by Nvidia for GPU technology.*
- 2) *To introduce parallelisation in Python, which is the most popular programming language used in industry.*
- 3) *Currently to conduct hands-on practice on these programming models.*
- 4) *To introduce parallel programming clusters and heterogeneous architectures.*
- 5) *Using HPC in the field of Agriculture research.*
- 6) *Demonstration of Big Data algorithms for Genomics.*
- 7) *Layout the foundation of the Agriculture Grid ecosystem.*

**No Registration Fee**

**Fill the Registration details:** <https://forms.gle/fBRzkjpoLFKqOfcU9>

**Bar code:**



**The last date of Registration:** *July 12, 2021 till 12:00 AM*

**The meeting link will be intimated on registered e-mail:** *July 13, 2021*

**Schedule of the workshop:** [click for the schedule](#)

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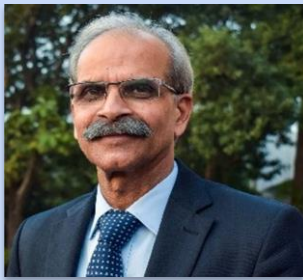
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Director, IIT Indore

**Chief Guest**



**Prof. D.B. Phatak**  
BOG Chairman, IIT  
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**Guest Of Honours**



**Prof. V.K. Tewari**  
Director, IIT Kharagpur



**Prof. Srikanth Sastry**  
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**Prof. Rajat Moona**  
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**Special Guests**



**Dr. Nita Khandekar**  
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**Prof. Narendra S. Chaudhari**  
IIT Indore



**Prof. Yajulu Medury**  
Vice Chancellor,  
Mahindra University  
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## *Panel Discussion*

**Title: Impact of HPC in sustainable Agriculture Growth in India.**



**Col. A K Nath (Retd.)**  
Executive Director  
(Corporate Strategy and C-DAC  
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**Dr. Arundhati Misra,**  
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## Keynote Speakers

 <p><b>Prof. Sathish Vadhiyar</b> Professor Department of Computational and Data Sciences (CDS) Supercomputer Education and Research Centre (SERC), IISc, Bangalore</p> <p>Title of the talk:</p>	 <p><b>Mr. Megh Makwana</b> Data Scientist at NVIDIA, Hyderabad</p> <p><b>Organizing Hands on Session:</b> Title of the talk: Accelerating Data Science for Agriculture Domain</p>
 <p><b>Dr. Dinesh Kumar</b> Principal Scientist (Biotechnology) Center for Agricultural Bioinformatics, ICAR-IASRI, New Delhi</p> <p>Title of the talk: Agri-computational genomics especially on applied aspects like productivity enhancement or disease management or germplasm dispute management.</p>	 <p><b>Dr. Muthukumarasamy Karthikeyan</b> Senior Principal Scientist Chemical Engineering and Process Development (CEPD), CSIR National Chemical Laboratory, Pune</p> <p>Title of the talk: AI in Precision Agriculture (PA) to meet the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG)</p>
 <p><b>Dr. Prashanth N. Suravajhala</b> Senior Scientist, Systems Biology Department of Biotechnology and Bioinformatics, Birla Institute of Scientific Research, Jaipur</p> <p>Title of the talk: Integrated Systems Genomic Challenges for Big Data Repertoire in Agriculture: Where are we heading?</p>	 <p><b>Prof. P. Krishan Reddy</b> Professor, IIIT Hyderabad</p> <p>Title of the talk: Towards building farm-specific advisory systems to improve the efficiency of every farm</p>
 <p><b>Dr. Somsubhra Chakraborty</b> Assistant Professor, Agricultural and Food Engineering, IIT Kharagpur</p> <p>Title of the talk: Applications of Advanced Sensors and AIML in Soil Management</p>	 <p><b>Prof. Arya K. Bhattacharya</b> Dean Research, Professor and Head Department of Computer Science and Engineering, Mahindra University, Hyderabad</p> <p>Title of the talk: Design of hybrid CPU-GPU architecture parameters enabling training of CNNs with Evolutionary Optimization</p>



**Dr. Poulomi Ganguli**

Assistant Professor  
Agricultural and Food  
Engineering,  
IIT Kharagpur

Title of the talk: Big data in  
Natural Hazard Modelling:  
Challenges and Opportunities for  
Machine Learning



**Mr. Ashish Kuvelkar**  
Senior Director, C-DAC  
Pune

Title of the talk: Parallel  
Computing – The essential  
aspect of High-Performance  
Computing.



**Mr. Navin K. C. Twarakavi**

Research Scientist  
IBM Research Labs, India.

Title of the talk: AI-driven  
methodology for enabling resilient  
food supply chains.



**Dr. Milind Ratnaparkhe**

Senior Scientist, Biotechnology,  
ICAR-IISR Indore

Title of the talk: Application of  
high-performance computing  
in plant genomics and crop  
improvement.



**Mr. Amit Saxena**

Joint Director HPC  
Medical and Bioinformatics  
Applications Group,  
C-DAC Pune

Title of the talk: Quantum  
Computing applications in  
Agriculture



**Dr. Aruna Tiwari**

Associate Professor,  
Computer Science and  
Engineering,  
IIT Indore

Title of the talk: Scalable fuzzy  
clustering and its applications  
to Genomics