

Dr. M. L. Gaur, Professor (Soil & Water Conservation Engg) of Agril. Engg. Deptt. BACA Anand ; actively participated in 'National e-Posters Olympiad': "SOILS, BIOMES AND RESILIENCE TO CLIMATE CHANGE" Bagged Third Best Paper Award among orally on-line presented e-posters



Under Covid-19-time frame the World Soil Day 2020 and its campaign "Keep soil alive, protect soil biodiversity" was nationally celebrated by Soil Conservation Society of India under an innovative National e-Poster Olympiad during 4-5 December 2020. There were dozens of key note addresses along with 4 marathon kind of quality e-poster sessions with in-depth discussions & interactions. This national Olympiad incorporated around 120 key e-posters which were presented in depth & details encompassing various key portfolios of world soil day celebration being more focused towards; raising awareness of the importance of maintaining healthy ecosystems & human well-being by addressing the growing challenges in soil management, fighting soil biodiversity loss, increasing soil awareness, encouraging governments, organizations, communities and individuals across the nation & globe to commit towards proactively improving soil health.

World Soil Day Scientific Poster Presentations included multiple sessions namely (1) Online Soil Resources Awareness Quiz, (2) In-augural session with key addresses, (3) e-Poster Session-I on Climate Change, Carbon Sequestration and Soil Health Management, (4) e-Poster Session-II Agricultural Biomes, Diversity, (5) e-Poster Session-III Soil Management, Functions and Organic Agriculture, (6) e-Poster Session-IV Water Conservation, Management and Improving Water Productivity, and (7) Plenary session including awards. Dr. Suraj Bhan, Chairman (Soil Conservation Society of India, New Delhi; International Soil Conservation Organization), Dr. Anil K. Singh (Ex DDG-NRM ICAR & Ex- VC Rajmata Sindhiya Agril. University Gwalior) and many distinguished experts from ICAR institutes, IITs, and Other councils graced this innovative mega event while celebrating world soil day-2020.

The qualitative & impact-full oral presentation of e-poster from Dr. M. L. Gaur (Professor, BACA AAU Anand) on 'Enlightening livestock water productivity under water stressed situations: A way forward' was highly appreciated and interacted across renowned experts (soils & NRM based) and participants. Under a tough competition above presentation from Dr. Gaur was adjudges as one of the best e-poster (3rd) of National e-Poster Olympiad 2020; by jury & session experts/Olympiad evaluation team.

