

**REGISTRATION FORM**  
NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON  
**PALMYRA PALM**  
January, 7 - 8, 2016, NAU, Navsari

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**Travel to Navsari**

Navsari is well connected to all major cities of India by rail network. It lies on the Mumbai-Delhi western railway link. Navsari has good road connectivity. It is well connected by NH 8. Navsari is only 40 km from Surat. NAU campus is just 3 km away from Navsari railway station (west) on the way to Dandi.

**Nearest Domestic Airports**

Surat : 40 km  
Vadodara : 175 km  
Mumbai : 250 km

**Navsari to Conference Venue**

Dakshin Gujarat Neera Tadgud Gramodhyog Sangh, Dedvasan, Surat is 35 km away from Navsari Agricultural University, Navsari. Vehicle is Arranged for travel from Navsari to Conference Venue.

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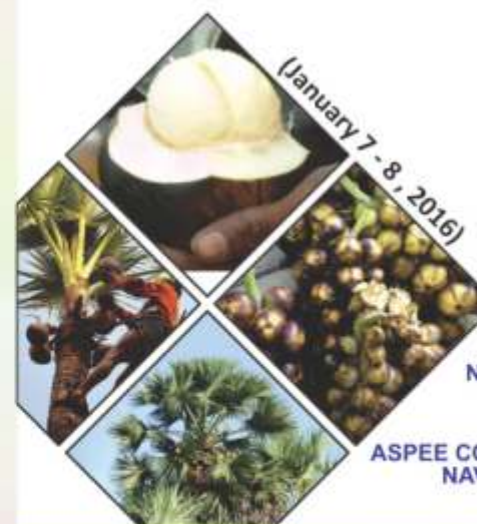
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**National Conference on**

**Palmyra Palm**

**VENUE :** Dakshin Guajarat  
Neera Tadgud Gramodhyog Sangh,  
Dedvasan, Ta. Mahua, Dist. Surat.  
State : Gujarat (IND)



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# National Conference on Palmyra Palm

## Preamble

*Borassus flabellifer*, the Asian Palmyra palm, Toddy palm, Sugar palm, or Cambodian palm, is native to Southeast Asia, in the Indomalaya eco zone. The Palmyra palm in Indian is estimated about 120 million and in mostly in southern and central India. Since ancient times Palmyra palm is a part of life of tribal people. It is reported by Dakshin Gujarat Neera Tadgud Gramodhyog Sangh that there is variation of 500 to 1500 Kernels per tree and 7 liters to 20 liters of Neera per tree per day in different trees which shows that with proper scientific management higher yield can be obtained. It was observed that economic value from each palm per year is around Rs. 5000/- to Rs. 10000/- without any inputs. In Gujarat tribal people earn income by selling fruits of Palmyra palm and Neera to Co-opertives. There is high demand of edible fruit "Galeli" (Tadfalli) and Neera due to nutritious and medicinal value. Day by day Demand of this fruit for export is also increasing.

Despite this species, which is ecologically and economically very important for its tolerance to drought and salinity and valued for the highly nutritious juice – "Neera" and other edible byproducts, very less research has been done on this species. Application of fertilizer, selection of plus tree, Silvicultural management, agroforestry practices, proper extraction and storage method can provide better growth, higher yield and ultimately higher income to the tribal farmers.

With a view to assess the progress made in genetic improvement, production technology, post harvest management and marketing of products and to prepare a road map for enhancing the productivity and importance of palm based products as well as to improve the economic efficiency, a "National conference on Palmyra palm" is being organized by Navsari Agricultural University, Navsari in collaboration with Dakshin Gujarat Neera Tadgud Gramodhyog Sangh, Dedvasan with the active support from Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC), Gujarat state, during January 7-8, 2016.

The conference will provide a common platform for discussing various issues related to Palmyra Palm farming and the role played by it towards improving livelihood of tribal people with sustainable development. The Conference will held to draw conclusion to streamline scientific approaches and policies for future.

## Technical Sessions

1. Overview of Palmyra palm in Gujarat and India.
2. Diversity, Planting and Management of Palmyra Palm.
3. Post-harvest management and Value addition
4. Economics and Market development, Women empowerment and Livelihood through Palmyra Palm
5. Role of Cooperatives, NGOs and other agencies
6. Indigenous technology and Success Stories of Farmers, Cooperatives and Entrepreneurs.



## Participation

The conference is expected to be attended by stakeholders involved in the value chain of Palmyra palm, viz. farmers, Co-operatives, Agriculture, Forest and horticulture department, Researchers, NGOs, Industry, Traders and Financial institutions.

## Venue & Date

- Dakshin Gujarat Neera Tadgud Gramodhyog Sangh, Dedvasan, Ta. Mahua, Dist. Surat, India
- January 7-8, 2016

## Dates to Remember (latest By)

- Submission of Abstract: 10/12/15
- Intimation of Acceptance of Abstract: 15/12/15
- Remittance of Registration Fee: 20/12/15
- Submission of Full Length Paper: 20/12/15

## Call for Papers

The organizing committee of the national conference cordially invites abstracts and papers on the thematic areas for consideration in oral/poster presentations under the respective technical sessions during the conference.

- ❖ **Lead Papers :** Eminent researchers and cooperative worker of national repute are invited to deliver lead lectures on topics related to stipulated themeatic areas of the conference and the same will be published in the form of Souvenir.
- ❖ **Oral Papers :** Case studies, Review articles and research papers are invited for presentation. Among the abstracts accepted, selected papers will be considered for oral presentation under each technical session. Full length papers of the selected papers should be submitted within the due date. Each oral presentation will be allotted 15 minutes.
- ❖ **Poster Papers :** Contributed papers will be selected as poster for presentation in the poster session. Authors of the posters are required to be present at the venue near their posters during the respective poster session for presentation to the jury and participating delegates. An area of 120 cm x 90 cm will be provided for each poster.
- ❖ **Submission of Abstract :** Abstracts are to be submitted only through e-mail to jayeshpathak@nau.in as Microsoft Word file. Authors should specify the session in which they would like to present the paper. Abstracts will be peer reviewed and only suitable ones will be accepted for the presentation. The publication of abstract and presentation will be subject to the registration. Only one abstract will be accepted from a single registered participant or senior author. Abstracts will be published in the Book of Abstracts.

## Guidelines for Preparation of Abstract

**Title :** The title should be in 14 point, Times New Roman Bold. Except for prepositions, conjunctions, pronouns and articles, the first alphabet of each word should be a capital. It should be short and attractive. It should contain key words and phrases to indicate the contents of the paper. Jargons and telegraphic words should be avoided. Indicate the botanical name of the crop and scientific name of the pest/pathogen studied.

**Author/authors :** The name(s) of author(s) should be in 12 point, Times New Roman Bold, typed in capital letters one space below the title and should be centred. Put an asterisk on the name of the corresponding author. The number of authors/co-authors should not exceed five for each paper submitted.

**Institution and Address :** The matter should be in 12 point, Times New Roman. Name of the Department followed by the name of the University/Institution/Organization where the work reported in the paper shall come below the name(s) of the author(s). The postal address should include city/town, district, state along with the PIN (postal code) and E-mail.

**Text of the Abstract :** The abstract(s) of the contributed papers should not exceed 400 words and the full length paper should not exceed six pages. The text should be in Times New Roman, 12 point and in single spacing as a Microsoft Word file. The abstract should mention the year of study, objectives of the study, material and methods employed, results and conclusion of the study described in the paper. Do not include references, figures or tables. Only SI units and symbols should be used.

## Awards: Best Paper

The best oral and poster paper presentation in each technical session will be selected by the jury of eminent scientists and will be awarded with a plaque and certificate from the organizers.

## Registration For The Conference

Participants are required to register themselves for the conference by paying in advance a registration fee through crossed bank demand draft/pay order in favour of "Organizing Secereatry, National Conference on Palmyra Palm" payable at Navsari (SBI Branch Code No. 3889). Cheques will not be accepted. Registration form can be downloaded from the NAU website : [www.nau.in](http://www.nau.in)

## Registration Fee (Non Refundable)

Type of Participants	Amount ( Rs.)
Delegate	2000
Student	1000
Industry and Private Organization	3000

Only registered delegates will be allowed to present their papers (oral/poster) and are entitled to receive publications brought out during and after the conference. The registration fee is inclusive of registration kit, breakfast, lunch and dinner during the conference days. Students will have to furnish identity proof. Organizers will not bear traveling expenses.

## Accommodation

Accommodation shall be reserved on first come-first serve basis on request. Please confirm your participation and itinerary by e-mail to [jayeshpathak@nau.in](mailto:jayeshpathak@nau.in). Limited guest house facilities are available at the university campus which will be reserved on request depending upon availability. Transport from stay to the venue will be arranged by the organizers.

## Interactive Session

In each session there will be an interaction of progressive farmers and entrepreneurs with different cooperatives, KVIC, scientists and State Agriculture, Horticulture and Forest Department will be organized.

## Exhibition

- An exhibition on Palmyra palm products will also be organized to display the diversity in the products. Participants will be awarded with certificates.

## About Navsari

Navsari is located at 20.57°N Latitude and 72.54°E. Longitude. It has an average elevation of 10m above mean sea level. It is located in southern Gujarat and is situated on the bank of the river Purna. It is one of the oldest cities in Gujarat and has an inspiring history of over 2000 years. A celebrated Egyptian astronomer and geographer named Ptolemy mentioned Navsari's port in his book written about 1850 years ago (150 A.D.). Historically, the first settlement of the Parsis took place in Navsari in 1142 AD. Navsari is the birth place of Jamshedji Tata, the Founder of Tata Group of companies. The famous "Dandi March" led by Shri Mahatma Gandhi and his followers in 1930 passed through Navsari on the way to Dandi beach from Sabarmati Ashram, Ahmedabad. Dandi is just 13 km in the west of Navsari on the coast of the Arabian sea.

## Weather

Navsari experiences fairly pleasant weather during the first week of January. The average temperature will be about 32°C during day and 16°C during night. Participants may need light warm clothing.