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SOCIETY FOR BANANA RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT (SBRD)

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From the President Desk



It gives me immense pleasure to welcome you to the **Society for Banana Research and Development (SBRD)**, a professional platform dedicated to advancing banana research, innovation, and sustainable development. Banana is not only one of the world's most important fruit crops but also a vital source of livelihood for millions of farmers. The Society is committed to fostering scientific excellence, promoting collaboration among researchers, extension professionals, students, entrepreneurs, and industry stakeholders, and facilitating the dissemination of knowledge for the holistic development of the banana sector.

The Society strives to bridge the gap between research and practice by encouraging multidisciplinary research, technology development, capacity building, and knowledge exchange. Through conferences, seminars, workshops, training programmes, publications, and collaborative initiatives, SBRD aims to address emerging challenges and harness new opportunities in banana production, crop improvement, protection, post-harvest management, value addition, and marketing.

I warmly invite scientists, academicians, students, development agencies, farmers, entrepreneurs, and all stakeholders associated with the banana value chain to become active members of the Society. Together, we can strengthen research partnerships, accelerate technology transfer, and contribute towards enhancing the productivity, profitability, and sustainability of banana cultivation for the benefit of farming communities and society at large.

I extend my sincere gratitude to all members, collaborators, and well-wishers for their continued support in realizing the vision of SBRD. Let us work together to promote innovation, excellence, and sustainable growth in the banana sector.

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About ICAR-NRCB

ICAR-National Research Centre for Banana was established on 21st August 1993 at Tiruchirappalli, Tamil Nadu by ICAR, New Delhi with an aim to increase the production and productivity of banana and plantains through mission mode basic and strategic research approaches. The Centre works on four major thrust areas of research viz., Crop Improvement, Crop Production, Post Harvest Management, and Crop Protection. It has well-equipped laboratories for tissue-culture, bio-technology, soil science, nutrient management, physiology, biochemistry, entomology, nematology, fungal, bacterial, viral pathology, and post-harvest technology research.

In the late nineties, 10 collection surveys through explorations were made. Wild banana germplasm from the North-Eastern states, Western Ghats, and Andaman & Nicobar Islands and also exotic banana accessions from International Transit Centre (ITC), Belgium through NBPGR, New Delhi were introduced. The Centre has completed seven in-house research projects and eleven are in progress in the 11th five-year plan. In addition to Centre's in-house projects, 26 externally funded projects by AP Cess fund of ICAR, NATP, DBT, NHB, and INIBAP were completed. The Perspective Plan and Vision 2030 documents on the research priorities and also inputs from the QRT and RAC were published. The Centre conducts two meetings of the Institute Research Council to review the ongoing research projects and also to incorporate the RAC recommendations.

The vision of the centre is to increase the production and productivity of bananas and plantains to meet the growing need in India.



About SBRD

The Society for Banana Research and Development (SBRD) is a premier scientific society dedicated to advancing excellence in banana and plantain research, innovation, and sustainable development. Established under the aegis of ICAR–National Research Centre for Banana (ICAR-NRCB), Tiruchirappalli, SBRD provides a vibrant platform for fostering collaboration among scientists, academicians, policymakers, industry leaders, entrepreneurs, extension professionals, and growers. The Society promotes interdisciplinary research and facilitates the exchange of scientific knowledge through international conferences, symposia, workshops, training programmes, technical publications, and strategic partnerships.

SBRD is committed to accelerating innovation across the banana value chain, encompassing genetic improvement, sustainable production systems, crop protection, precision horticulture, post-harvest management, value addition, processing, biotechnology, and circular bio-economy. By strengthening national and international collaborations and promoting science-driven technologies, the Society aims to bridge the gap between research and commercialization, enhance global competitiveness, and contribute to food and nutritional security, farmer prosperity, and sustainable agricultural development. As a catalyst for innovation and knowledge dissemination, SBRD continues to play a pivotal role in shaping the future of the global banana sector through scientific excellence, strategic partnerships, and impactful research.



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2.	Life Member [Institution]	Rs.50000/- [One Time]
3.	Life Member [Individual]	Rs.5000/-
4.	Annual Member	Rs.1000/- per year.
5.	Student Member	Rs.500/- per year.

DECLARATION

I / We wish to become the Corporate Patron / Life Member (Institution) / Life / Student / Annual member of **Society for Banana Research and Development.** If enrolled, I / We agree to abide the rules and regulations of the Society.

Date: _____ Signature: _____

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