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Accommodation: Participants are requested to make their own arrangements for stay and transport. On request, accommodation can be arranged in nearby hotels on payment basis.

Tariffs of hotels are as follows:

Hotel Class A	₹ 5000-3000 per day
Hotel Class B	₹ 2500-2000 per day
Hotel Class C	₹ 1000-1500 per day
Shared accommodation	₹ 300 per day

NATIONAL SEMINAR ON Modern Trends in Conservation, Utilisation and Improvement of Plant Genetic Resources

November 23 & 24, 2017
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Sir/Madam,

The Department of Botany, University of Kerala, Kariavattom, Thiruvananthapuram is organizing a National seminar on **Modern Trends in Conservation, Utilization and Improvement of Plant Genetic Resources** in collaboration with Gregor Mendel Foundation, Calicut University on 23rd & 24th November 2017.

The Department was established in the year 1959 and is internationally known for its major contributions in Cytogenetics and Cytotaxonomy. The Department actively serves the society through the dissemination of knowledge and training the younger generation through unique courses and research programmes in frontier areas of Plant Sciences. The postgraduate programme in Genetics and Plant Breeding is the unique course offered by the Department.

Gregor Mendel Foundation (GMF) is an academic foundation established in 1991 with Calicut University as headquarters under the leadership of Prof. K. Pavithran, Former Professor of Genetics and Plant Breeding in the University. The primary objective of the foundation is to augment studies and research in biological sciences with special emphasis on genetics, breeding and biotechnology collaborating with academic and research institutes. Membership of the foundation is open to anyone interested in the objectives of the foundation. Major activities of the foundation include organizing 'Gregor Mendel Birthday Lectures' every year, and International / National seminars every alternate year. The papers presented in the seminars are regularly published in the 'Gregor Mendel Foundation Proceedings'. The present event denotes 'Gregor Mendel Foundation Seminar 2017'.

Venue of the seminar

Department of Botany, University of Kerala, Kariavattom Campus, is located in a green environment, 14 km away from the historical city of Thiruvananthapuram.

Highlights

Invited lectures in the frontier areas in conservation, utilization and improvement of plant genetic resources.

Oral/ poster presentations on the following themes:

- Plant genetic resources and diversity
- Conservation of plant diversity
- Plant biotechnology and genetic improvement
- Effective utilization of plant genetic resources

Abstracts

Abstracts on the above themes in English with titles in capital letters followed by author(s), affiliation, key words and the text, typed in Times New Roman font (size 12) with 1.5 line spacing, not exceeding 500 words must be submitted as e-mail attachment (unikerbot@rediffmail.com). The preference for oral or poster presentation should be indicated on the registration form as well as on the top right corner of the abstract. The abstracts would be peer reviewed by the technical committee and selected for oral/ poster presentations. Acceptance will be communicated before 1st September, 2017 through e-mail. Full papers as per the format of Gregor Mendel Foundation Proceedings should be sent in MS Word format as e-mail attachment before 1st November, 2017.

Awards: GMF cash awards will be awarded to two papers selected from the major thrust areas of the seminar.

Posters: Participants, especially young researchers are encouraged to contribute abstracts for poster presentations. The best posters will be awarded with Certificates of Merit. The posters should be of 1m x 1m size with a letter size of 20 mm for headings, 15 mm for authors and affiliation and 10 mm for the text. The text should be organized into sections such as Introduction, Materials and Methods, Results and Conclusion.



Registration: Duly filled registration form and registration fee along with the abstracts of papers must be sent on or before 1st August, 2017.

Registration Fee

Teachers/ Scientists/ Extension Professionals:	₹ 2000
Students/ Research Scholars:	₹ 1000
Accompanying persons:	₹ 1000

(DD or multicity cheque in favour of "Chairperson, GMF Seminar 2017" payable at SBI Kariavattom Branch)