

1st Technical Program Committee Meeting of National Symposium on Hybrid Technology for Enhancing Crop Productivity (NSHT)

A **National Symposium on Hybrid Technology for Enhanced Crop Productivity (NSHT)** is being organized by the Trust for Advancement of Agricultural Sciences (TAAS), a neutral Think Tank, jointly with Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), International Crop Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT), International Maize and Wheat Improvement Centre (CIMMYT), International Rice Research Institute (IRRI) with the support of Federation of Seed Industry of India (FSII), Maharashtra Hybrid Seed Company (MHYCO), Rasi Seeds and Bayer Crop Science Limited, in AP Shinde Symposium Hall at National Agriculture Science Complex (NASC), Pusa Campus, New Delhi, from 2-4 December 2024.

A virtual meeting was held on 9 September 2024 to discuss the technical Program of the symposium. Meeting was chaired by Dr RS Paroda, Chairman, TAAS and attended by the members of committee – Drs Bhag Mal, Secretary, TAAS, New Delhi; Sain Dass, Former Director, DMR, New Delhi; OP Yadav, Director, CAZRI, Jodhpur; TK Behra, Director, IIHR, Bengaluru; Sean Mayes, Program Director, ICRISAT, Hyderabad; Johar Ali, Program Leader, IRRI, Philippines and Bhupendra Kumar, Principal Scientist, IIMR, Delhi-Office and RK Tyagi, Organizing Secretary, NSHT, TAAS, New Delhi. The participants discussed potential topics for the symposium and selected relevant themes to be included in the program.

