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जय हो नवयुग निधि की जय हो,
पावन हिमगिरी के चरणों में,
शीश झुकाये विशद तराई,
शस्य—श्यामला, तरु—वसना!
सहज उर्वरा, धरणि सुहाई!
उसके हृदय कमल में विकसित
हरित—स्वर्ण छवि सौरभमय हो!
जय हो नवयुग निधि की जय हो!
अन्न, यन्त्र, गो, पुस्तक, गृहमय,
कृषि—अभियन्त्र विश्वविद्यालय
अपना प्रण है ग्राम—अभ्युदय
देश—प्रगति, विज्ञान विभामय
सभ्य, शील, स्वाध्याय, साधना
से समृद्ध भारत निर्भय हो!
जय हो नवयुग निधि की जय हो!
जय हो, जय हो, जय हो!!



AGRI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OF PANTNAGAR

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About Us

AAAP- Agri Alumni Association of Pantnagar is a forward looking. alumni body for agri- graduates from Pantnagar established in the year 2008.

Objectives

- To assist and support any activity for the overall well-being of the farming community.
- To keep a roster of all alumni and their pertinent data.
- To provide a forum for the Alumni for exchange of ideas on academic, cultural and social issues of the day.
- To organize and coordinate reunion activities of the Alumni.
- To provide health care and financial support to needy members.
- To serve as a platform for placement assistance for its members.

Highlights- AAAP

- Organized 16 successive meets in Delhi with a great fanfare and zeal.
- Provided financial support to needy Pantnagarians requiring medical attention.
- Developed a forum for exchanging ideas and experiences amongst alumni, varsity and industry leaders.
- Provided scholarship to Meritorious Students for under graduates from the Agriculture College, Pantnagar.
- Associated with more than 50 corporates and few institutes of excellence through AAAP souvenir

Way Forward

- To help the world grow its food and to be a part and parcel of global challenges for sustainable agriculture.
 - Broaden the base of Alumni by 2030 to around 3000 members.
 - More industry and academic institute interface.
 - To establish ourselves as a credible association in providing host of services for alumni.
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From the Desk of President

Dear Pantnagar Agriculture Alumni,

It is with great excitement and pride that I announce the 17th Annual Get-Together of the Agriculture Alumni Association of Pantnagar (AAAP), scheduled for September 28th in New Delhi. This event is not just a reunion but a celebration of our shared journey and the remarkable bond we have as Pantnagarians. This year's gathering is particularly special as it marks the 17th year since the inception of the alumni meet in 2008. What started as an idea to unite our community has blossomed into a longstanding tradition that reflects our deep commitment to the shared vision of growth and camaraderie. Year after year, we've strengthened our ties and stayed connected, proving that the Pantnagar spirit remains vibrant. We are also thrilled to honor the Golden Jubilee batch of 1974 and the Silver Jubilee batch of 1999. These landmark anniversaries allow us to celebrate their achievements and reflect on the significant contributions they have made to the field of agriculture and beyond. Their legacy inspires future generations and reminds us of the pivotal role Pantnagar has played in shaping leaders. A cornerstone of our gathering is the AAAP Ratna Award, a tradition that began with the founding of AAAP and continues to honor the brightest students from the College of Agriculture. This award is a testament to our commitment to nurturing the talent that will shape the future of Pantnagar. We also take pride in Smarika, our yearly magazine that has consistently provided essential updates on our alumni. Through the sharing of experiences and insights, Smarika strengthens our bonds and ensures that the Pantnagar legacy endures. Our alumni are more than just former students—they are ambassadors of the university. Through our collective efforts, we contribute not only by sharing our knowledge and experience but also by supporting initiatives that create opportunities for current students.

AAAP's efforts over the past 16 years have provided a platform for us to give back to our alma mater and to nurture the next generation of agricultural leaders. Whether through financial support, mentorship, or opening doors to new career opportunities, we have continually upheld the values that Pantnagar instilled in us. As we come together for this year's meet, I extend my deepest thanks to all who have contributed to AAAP's mission and to G.B. Pant University for its unwavering dedication to excellence. Together, let us continue to build on the legacy of Pantnagar and work towards a thriving agricultural future for our nation.

Warm regards,

N.K. Arora
(ID 6068 | Batch 1972)

President, Agriculture Alumni Association of Pantnagar (AAAP)



From the Desk of Vice President

Dear Pantnagar Alumni Family,

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you all as we come together to celebrate the 17th Agri Alumni Meet in Delhi, strengthening the bonds we share.

Since the inception of this platform in 2008 as AAAP, we have proudly upheld the tradition of organizing this annual alumni gathering. Over the past 16 years, AAAP has diligently worked to foster a global network between alumni, the University, and various agricultural industries across the country. This network has not only helped our alumni with employment opportunities but also provided financial support to those in need. As alumni, you continue to be a source of inspiration! The 28th of September is a special day for all of us, offering a wonderful opportunity to reconnect with old friends and, in many cases, reunite with them after several years. I understand how valuable your time is, and I deeply appreciate the effort you've made to join us for this occasion. Rest assured, AAAP is committed to making this event an unforgettable experience, and you will leave with cherished memories.

On behalf of AAAP, I wish you and your families good health and a bright future ahead!

Harendra Singh
(ID 10150 | Batch 1978)

Vice President, Agriculture Alumni Association of Pantnagar (AAAP)



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Dr. M. S. Chauhan

FNA, FNASc, FNAAS, FNADS

Vice-Chancellor

Message

I am very much delighted to learn that the Agri Alumni Association (AAP) of G.B. Pant University of Agriculture and Technology, Pantnagar is organising its 17th Alumni meet on 28th September, 2024 at the India International Centre, New Delhi. This Event is a testimony of the strong bond of the alumni with their alma matter.

I deem it a great honour to have been invited to the event and also to convey my message on this occasion.



Pantnagar University always takes pride in its alumni who have been playing significant roles in shaping the progress and development of our nation through their contributions while serving in top positions in many government as well as private organisations. It has been rightly said on many occasions that "Pantnagar University is known for its seeds and its students".

Honouring your request, I am sharing here a brief sketch of my life with the hope that if it motivates the young generations, it was worth telling. As I have completed two years as the Vice-Chancellor of this first agriculture university of our country, I consider it a great honour in my life to have served this university in its progress. The journey of my life began in a small village named Jamal in the Yamkeshwar block of Pauri Garhwal district of Uttarakhand. Though life in Small villages in the hilly state (Uttarakhand) confronts with many challenges, they also teach us the lessons of life. I have utilised those moments in transforming my life. I had the opportunity to serve as the Director cum Vice-Chancellor of the ICAR-National Dairy Research institute, karnal and also as the Director of the ICAR-Central Institute for Research on Goats, Makhdoom, Mathura. Throughout my career, I have made it a point to put scientific spirit and temper always on top priority. Handling research projects, developing innovative technologies, publishing more than 155 original research papers, guiding students and working with colleagues have enriched my life in many ways. I have pleasure in informing you all that our research group at karnal produced the world's first cloned buffalo calf, 'Garima' and India's first Gir cloned calf named "GANGA".

With six decades of significant contributions in the agriculture production, human resource development and farmers' welfare of our nation, G.B. Pant University of Agriculture and Technology, Pantnagar still stands tall among the SAUs. I feel that every Agri Alumnus takes pride of being a student of this great University. I hope that through such regular annual meets, you will be in touch with each other and also with your alma matter. This will also inspire the current generation of students pursuing their career in Agriculture at Pantnagar.

The common thread that binds us is the fact that we all love Pantnagar.

On behalf of the university, I extend my best wishes for the 17th Alumni meet, 2024 and look forward to working together for the growth and progress of Pantnagar.


(M.S. Chauhan)

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Message



I am indeed happy to learn that the Agri Alumni Association of Pantnagar (AAP) is organizing 17th Alumni Meet on September 28, 2024 at India International Centre, New Delhi. This would be an exciting moment to meet and recollect memories of student days. I have been participating in the AAP Alumni Meet for the last one decade and I appreciate the gesture of organizers for their enthusiasm to see the alumni of different batches across the country.

Alumni are incredible resources and real assets to an institution and they are the ultimate strength of an institution building. Association between the alumni and their alma mater has no boundaries. I hope alongside fun during this Meet, the illustrious alumni of GBPUAT, Pantnagar 'the Harbinger of Green Revolution' engaged in different sectors will think about strengthening its alma mater. Thought and time of alumni value a lot to the alma mater.

I wish a very pleasant and memorable 17th Alumni Meet of AAP with a grand success.

Warm regards,

Dr. J.P. Jaiswal
(ID 10956 | Batch 1980)

G.B. Pant University of Agriculture and Technology



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मुझे आशा है कि यह पत्र आपको अच्छा लगेगा। अशोका एगटेक में सभी की ओर से, मैं हमारी कंपनी अशोका एजीटेक प्राइवेट लिमिटेड के इस शुभ स्थापना दिवस पर उल्लेखनीय साझेदारी और उपस्थिति के लिए अपनी गहरी कृतज्ञता व्यक्त करना चाहता हूँ। यह हमारे सहयोग और आपके द्वारा हमारे संयुक्त प्रयासों में लाए गए विश्वास, समर्पण और उत्कृष्टता के लिए प्रशंसा को दर्शाता है।

गुणवत्ता और नवाचार के प्रति आपकी दृढ़ प्रतिबद्धता हमारी साझा सफलताओं में सहायक रही है। यह आप जैसे भागीदार ही हैं जो इस यात्रा को न केवल पुरस्कृत बल्कि प्रेरणादायक भी बनाते हैं। हम उस तालमेल को गहराई से महत्व देते हैं जिसने हमें अपने किसान समुदाय की सेवा करने का अवसर मिला है।

जैसा कि हम भविष्य की ओर देखते हैं, हम आगे आने वाली अनंत संभावनाओं को लेकर उत्साहित हैं। हमें विश्वास है कि हमारी मजबूत साझेदारी नए अवसरों और बड़ी उपलब्धियों को लेकर आगे बढ़ती रहेगी। साथ मिलकर, हम किसी भी चुनौती का सामना कर सकते हैं और सफलता की नई ऊंचाइयों को छू सकते हैं।

आपके अटूट समर्थन और सहयोग के लिए एक बार फिर धन्यवाद। किसानों की ज़रूरतों को बेहतर बनाने के लिए उत्पादों और सेवाओं में आपका भरोसा हमारे लिए बहुत मायने रखता है, और हम इस रिश्ते को पूरी ईमानदारी और सम्मान के साथ आगे बढ़ाने के लिए प्रतिबद्ध हैं।

आपको और आपके प्रियजनों को निरंतर सफलता, विकास और समृद्धि की शुभकामनाएँ।

हार्दिक शुभकामनाएँ,

मुकुंद कुमार



I VOLUNTEER TO DIE.... (A Soldier's Message to all Indians)

Whenever you are on a long romantic drive
And see the Tricolour proudly flying high
See that somewhere far away a soldier stands
Weary in deserts or in some distant foreign lands

Protecting the tricolour from any of the foe
Standing tall, proud whether it's heavy rain or snow
He keeps wondering what he might have done
If he had not chosen to carry a gun

Even when he is overworked without a shade
Soldier is a patriot who is born and not made
Sometimes you might think he has a bad attitude
But maybe that is because of long periods of solitude

He faces bullets and embraces death many a time
So that his countrymen and women can peacefully dine
You may think for him this is just another task
He did not do it as a job but for his love for Tricolour was unsurpassed

He may lose a leg stepping on a landmine
To see those kids smiling across the borderline
For your freedom he always fights to keep
So that tranquil and in peace you can sleep

You may often condemn for him being wrong
But still for you he will always stand strong
While you have right to denounce him and complain
He will keep fighting for you in the pouring rain

Soldier is not a label for anyone to purchase or borrow to woo
It is the greatest honour to him, like soul for the body hidden inside you
A soldier is very tough indeed
To stand tall whenever there is a need

He also feels sadness, pain or sorrow
Not always looking forward for trials of tomorrow
The cost of a soldier may be very high
Your support and love for them you should never deny

With sadness hidden deep he holds his buddy's hand
As they breathe their last on some mortal sand
He is not high headed what you may think
Will give his life for you with not even a blink

You may ask again
Besides a soldier there are others who take the pain?
Then what is the difference, why he thinks so high?
He will smile and humbly say....

Neither I hold the sky nor do I think so high
For you "I volunteer to die...."

Col Pankaj Sharma (Veteran)
ID 13728 | Batch 1984
College of Agriculture

Lesson from Dr. Nene

It was the summer of 1973, the first trimester of our second year at Pantnagar. I had enrolled in the Plant Pathology course being taught by Dr. Y.L. Nene. It was a big class in 126B with students from both the 1972 and 1973 Batch. All of us had heard that Dr. Nene was a very good but tough Professor. Getting good grades was going to be hard. I did well in the first quiz but then came the first hourly exam. I looked at the exam paper. Unlike every other test I had taken during my time at Pantnagar, the whole first page was the description of a crop condition with just one simple question at the end. There was a tiny space at the bottom for the answer. I was stunned. I read the description once. Read it twice. Read it three times. Thought for a while and then I finally answered. A few days later, I got the paper back. I had answered incorrectly. All this time, I was used to mostly True/False or fill-in-the-blank types of questions. This was the first time I had to answer a question where my own thinking and analysis was required. This was an eye opening experience and a lesson for me.

Fast forward 45 years. I was having dinner with a professor from a prestigious university in the US. He had many engineering students in his class. We started talking about the education system in India and he told me that he was very happy to have very bright students from India in his class but he was not able to understand the education system in India. He said that when he posed a straightforward math problem, the Indian students were the first to answer. However, when he asked a hypothetical mathematical problem where they needed to think on their own, they were the last ones to come up with an answer. This reflects the reality of a job situation where one needs to solve complicated questions that are not straightforward. This discussion with the professor reminded me of the hourly exam in Dr. Nene's course. The whole scene of performing poorly on that exam flashed in front of my eyes. After getting over the memories of that distressing episode, I felt very thankful to Dr. Nene for helping me prepare for the real world.

Bijay K. Singh

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प्राकृतिक खेती को समर्पित पहली हिंदी कविता

भाग एक: प्रकृति वंदन

हम बच्चे हैं धरती माता के आओ इसे नमन करें।
इस धरती से हैं निकले, आओ इसकी जय करें।।
यह धरती हमें देती है भोजन पानी।
इससे नहीं करनी है हमने मनमानी।।

हम जो भी इस माटी से पायें।
इस धरती का कर्ज समझ कर वापस लौटायें।।
वैकल्पिक ऊर्जा स्रोतों से प्रकृति को करें नमन।
विकास तो करें, लेकिन प्रकृति के मानव अधिकारों

जिस धरती के कण-कण में बसे हैं राम।
इस धरती को क्यों ना करें हम प्रणाम।।

भाग दो: वर्तमान परिदृश्य एवं संवेदनशीलता

सुनो किसानों तुम भी कर लो तैयारी।
रसायन छोड़ो प्राकृतिक खेती के साथ कर लो यारी।।
रती से जुड़कर तुम अन्नदाता कहलाते हो।
क्यों तुम आंदोलित होकर केवल पैसे पर ही बतियाते हो।।

क्या तुम प्रकृति की MSP पर सोच भी नहीं पाते हो
तुम देने वाले भी बन सकते हो इस पर भी तुम विचार करो।।
क्या तुम उत्पाती किसान की पहचान बनवाना चाहोगे
होगा जब प्रकृति से सामना तब तुम क्या अपनी पहचान छुपाओगे।।

बचा लो मिट्टी पानी को, कैसर ट्रेन मत पनपने दो।
प्रकृति है अनमोल इसको भरपुर समर्थन दो।।
इस देश की माटी की खुशबू नहीं समझ पाए कुछ परिवार।
भर देते प्रकृति की जेब बन जाते पालनहार।।

अगर प्रकृति का कर देते बेड़ा पार।
क्यों नहीं मिलता सबका प्यार ।।

भाग तीन: प्राकृतिक खेती के हितधारकों के रंग ढंग

बच्चे भी खेल खेल में सीख रहे माटी के रंग।
ऐसी शिक्षा भरेगी उनके जीवन में उमंग।।
कृषि सखी भी शपथ लेकर चिंतित हो गई है।
यह खेती जो होती थी उससे वह भी संभल गई है।।

प्रकृति का साथ पाकर माता भी उत्साहित हैं।
छोटे छोटे प्रयासों से वह भी संकल्पित हैं।
खेतों में जहां वैज्ञानिक कर रहे काम।
जैविक निष्कर्षों में पहुँच कर खेती को दे रहे नया आयाम।।

कक्षाओं में ज्ञान की गंगा बहती,
और प्रयोगशालाओं में विज्ञान की शक्ति दिखती।
लेकिन असली पाठ तो खेतों में सिखाया गया,
जहाँ प्रकृति ने हमें जीवन का असली अर्थ समझाया।

दूर किसान यह सब देखकर नहीं है अब उदास।
खेती में उसका साथ देने सभी कर रहे प्रयास।
प्राकृतिक उत्पादों को जब सीधे उपभोक्ता तक पहुँचा पाओगे।
घर की थाली में हो पौष्टिकता, गृहणी की चाह में पूरा दाम ले पाओगे।

जैविक उत्पादों की खुशबू से महक रही है डाली-डाली।
अब तो गृहणी को भी चाहिए जैविक थाली।।
अमृत काल में धन संसाधन की नहीं है कोई कमी।
बस अपने प्रयासों से बनोगे, प्रकृति के धनी।।

सचिवालय जाकर मैंने भी देखी समय की करवट।
प्राकृतिक खेती समर्थन की फाइल दौड़ रही है सरपट।
सरकार को भी आगे आकर निरंतर करनी है निगरानी।
प्रयासों में कमी न रह जाए ऐसा बनना है ध्यानी।।

ऐसे छोटे-छोटे प्रयासों की सीढ़ी बनानी है।
सांप कहीं निगल न जाए बरतनी सावधानी है।।

भाग चार: प्राकृतिक खेती का जुनून

केंचुआ भी नाच रहा, कर रहा गुणगान।
छोटे छोटे जीवों का बढ़ रहा है सम्मान।
प्रकृति की नेमतों का जब ले रहे हैं संज्ञान।
गौमाता के आशीर्वाद से महक उठा है इंसान।।
प्राकृतिक खेती की राह अब नभ में भी आसान।

भाग पांच: आओ समर्पित करें

जो भी इस धरती का करेगा बेड़ापार।
प्रकृति भी देगी उसको छप्पड़ फाड़।।
कहीं मालिक की फटकार न सुननी पड़े।
प्रो-बोनो होकर कभी हम भी घबराते हैं।।

भारत माता को यह जीवन समर्पित हम कराते हैं।
धरती माता को शीश झुकाते हैं।।

भाग छह: सरकार से अनुरोध

अभी समय है, सही समय है आगे बढ़ो सरकार।
जन के काज विलम्ब न किजै, आतुर दौरि महा सुख दीजै।।
अपने जन को तुरत उबारो, सुमिरत होय आनंद हमारो।

अमृत काल में प्रकृति के एमएसपी की करो जय जयकार।।
प्राकृतिक खेती के दम से ही कहलाओगे पालनहार।
इससे सभी प्राणी करेंगे, खुशी का इजहार।।

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कृषि महाविद्यालय की अनछुई यादें

सुबह की पहली किरण संग नई उम्मीदें जागीं,
हरी धरती पर हमने ज्ञान के बीज थे बोए।
खेतों में मिली हमें जीवन की सच्ची सीख,
जहाँ प्रकृति ने हर चुनौती का सामना करना सिखाया।
पहले दिन की वो घबराहट और अनजान रास्ते,

कैसे कदम बढ़ें, यही सोचते थे साथ में।
पर जब देखा विस्तृत हरे-भरे खेत,
दिल ने कहा, यही है मेरा असली रीत।

कक्षाओं में बहती थी ज्ञान की गंगा,
और प्रयोगशालाओं में विज्ञान की शक्ति थी झलकी।
पर असली पाठ खेतों में सिखाया गया,
जहाँ प्रकृति ने जीवन का सच्चा अर्थ समझाया।

दोस्तों का संग और हँसी के वो मधुर पल,
कक्षाओं की पढ़ाई और खेतों की मेहनत चली।
कभी किताबों से ज्यादा सिखाया खेतों ने,
धरती से जुड़े अनुभवों ने नया नजरिया दिया।

फील्ड ट्रिप्स, किसानों के संघर्ष को जाना,
कैसे धरती से सोना उगाया जाता, ये सीखा।
हर मौसम की मार को झेलते देखा,

फिर भी हर बार नई उम्मीदों को संजोया।
कृषि महाविद्यालय ने सिर्फ ज्ञान नहीं दिया,
बल्कि जीवन का असली अर्थ समझाया।
कैसे हम धरती से जुड़े और उसे संभाला,

हर मुश्किल को हमने गले लगाया।
अब विदा का समय, आँसू भरी आँखें,
पर गर्व और उम्मीदें दिल में समाई हैं।
हर कदम पर मिट्टी की वो खुशबू साथ होगी,

जो हमें जीवन के हर मोड़ पर प्रेरित करेगी।
आने वाले कल में, जहाँ भी हम जाएँगे,
षि महाविद्यालय की यादें दिल में बसाएँगे।
हर फसल, हर खेत, हर मिट्टी का कण,

हमारे बीते दिनों की याद दिलाता रहेगा।
तो चलिए, नई राहों पर कदम बढ़ाएँ,
नई चुनौतियों संग नई उम्मीदें जगाएँ।
पर याद रहे, हमारी जड़ें यहीं हैं, इस महाविद्यालय में,
जहाँ हमने जीवन का पाठ पढ़ा है।

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पंजों पर चलता था दुनिया हँसती थी
मेरे पीछे मेरे जैसा चलती थी
और माँ कहती थी गले लगा,
पता है मैंने है कहीं पढ़ा,

बहुत तेज दौड़ने वाले
दौड़ते हैं पंजों पर तेरी तरह
तू बना है बिलकुल अलग
तू है बेमिसाल बस तेरी तरह

तू बना है दौड़ने के लिए
सबको पीछे छोड़ने के लिए
हकलाता मैं और दुनिया चिढ़ाती
प प पा र र स कहके बुलाती

और माँ कहती पास बिठा
पता है मैंने है सुना
जो तेज सोचते है तेज बोलना चाहते हैं
कोई बड़ी दिक्कत नहीं गर हकलाते हैं

फिर कहती, सोचो तेज बोलो धीरे
तुम तेज हो दुनिया है तुमसे पीछे
और कमी में वरदान नज़र आता था
आखों में बस प्यार नज़र आता था

पर वो किताबें वो लोग कहाँ हैं
जिनको माँ ने पढ़ा सुना है?

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We welcome them as student ambassadors of AAAP.

MESSAGES FROM THE AMBASSADORS...



Neha Rawat
ID-59970

I am Neha Rawat, a second year Agriculture (hons) undergraduate. I secured rank 1 in AAAP RATNA. Participating in the scholarship program was a defining moment in my academic journey. As a part of selection process I had to go through written examination followed by GD and personal interview, both of which not only tested my knowledge but also my communication and interpersonal skills.

I was thrilled to learn that I had made it through the final round of selection. Regardless of the outcome, the experience taught me the importance of preparation, adaptability and team work and has also reinforced my commitment to pursue academic excellence and contributing to my community, while always remembering that – PANTNAGARIANS are there to lead, and not to be led..



Megha Parihar
ID-59991

I am Megha Parihar , Bsc(hons) agriculture second year student. I secured 2nd rank in AAAP-RATNA examination. I am deeply honored and grateful to have been awarded this scholarship by our esteemed alumni. The whole process of selection from written exam to interview was very exciting and full of learnings.

This scholarship is not just a financial support but also a source of immense encouragement for me. It reflects the trust and confidence our alumni have in my potential and capabilities. This recognition inspires me to strive harder and achieve greater heights in my academic and personal endeavors. Really grateful for this incredible opportunity and for empowering me to dream bigger.



Nikita Kanwar
ID-61103

This side Nikita Kanwar (61103)B. Sc.(Hons) Agriculture 2nd year student. I participated in AAA-PRATNA scholarship programme and I secured 3rd position. I feel very honoured to participate in the AAAPRATNA (Agri Alumni Association of Pantnagar) This is the best ever experience which gives me inspiration and taught me about various aspects of Agriculture that I will imply in my future. I would like to get more chance I am very thankful to Honourable Alumni Dr. Neeraj Tiwari Sir and Dr. Sanjay Naithani Sir to give me this opportunity .

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Anishikha Bora
ID-60063

I am Anishikha Bora, from Ramnagar, Uttarakhand. I have secured position the for excellence award. Going through the AAAPRATNA process has truly showed me the strength of senior-junior bond in Pantnagar. It was one of the most enthralling and intellectually stimulating experience of my college experience so far. This exam has truly tested all aspects of my personality, be it academic knowledge or the drive to do good. From the written, till the interview, our seniors guided us with patience. Interacting with the alumni and sharing our thoughts with them in the GD round was truly a privilege. All of the participants were both excited and nervous to express their opinions in front of such luminous personalities. The interview round was a great learning experience that will surely be a guiding point for my future endeavors. Securing the scholarship has given me confidence as well as a responsibility to work hard for a better future, not just for myself, but for the people around me too. I hope to live up to the great Pantnagar legacy & make the world a better place for everyone.

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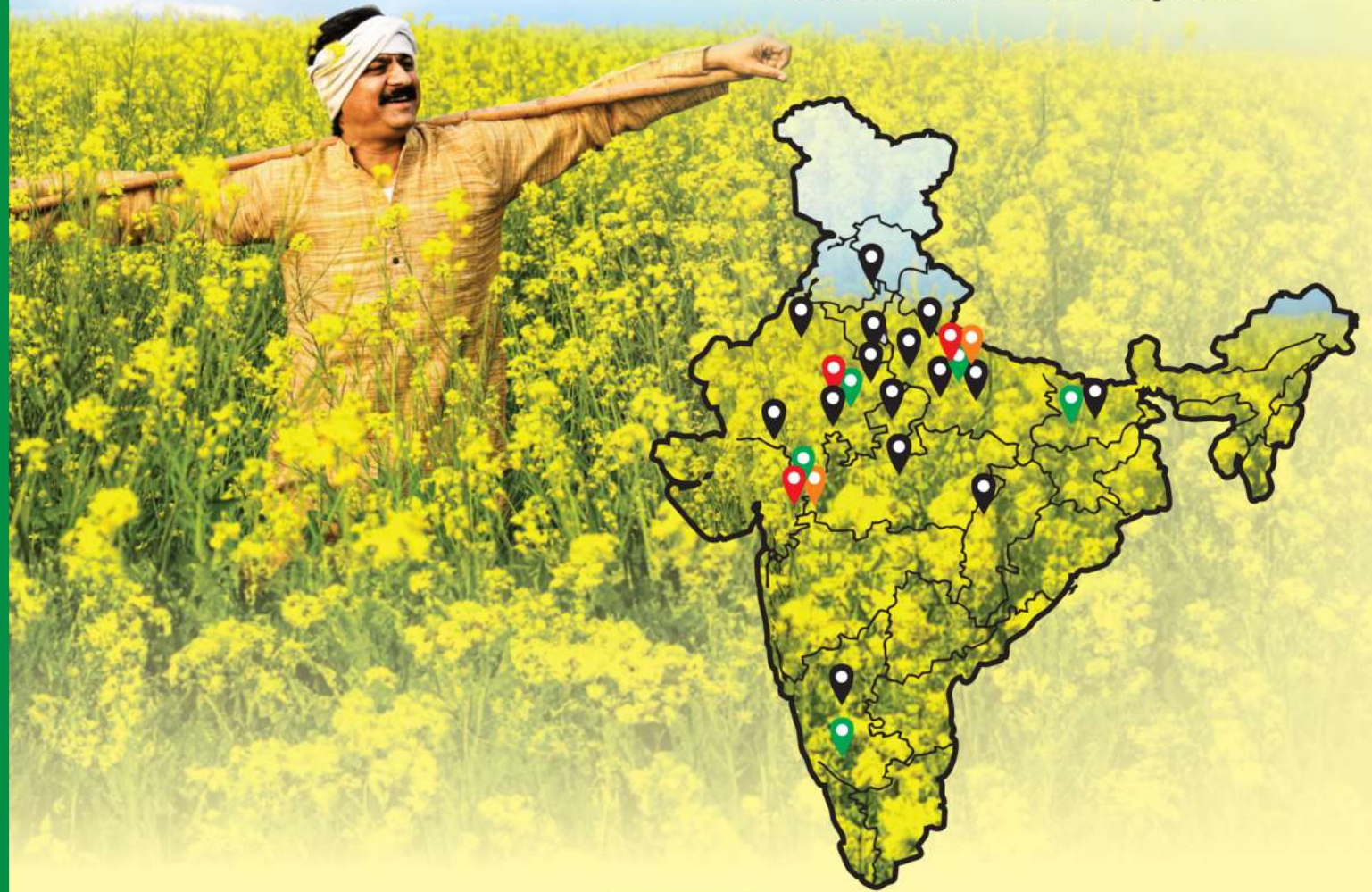


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