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## UNIVERSITY OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES



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**INDIA**

February 1, 2005

Dear Sir

Sub: Second International Conference on Parthenium Management being organized at Bangalore, India during December 5-7, 2005

I wish to bring home you that University of Agricultural Sciences, Bangalore is planning to organise "Second International Conference on Parthenium Management" during December 5- 7, 2005 at Bangalore, in collaboration with Indian Council of Agricultural Research, New Delhi, Department of Biotechnology, Govt. of India, New Delhi, University of Agricultural Sciences, Dharwad and Mysore University, Mysore. I am enclosing here with First Circular – cover page, page 1, 2, & 3 for your kind information and with a request to circulate among the scientists working in the Field of Weed Science and especially on Parthenium. **Our interest is to develop International Group on Parthenium Management.** We need a lot inputs from the scientists working on *Parthenium* for the over all management of the weed in different parts of the World. In this direction, I earnestly request you to kindly cause for wider circulation among the concerned.

I will also send the second circular in this regard in due course of time.

With best personal regards,

Yours sincerely

(T.K. Prabhakara Setty)  
Organizing Secretary &  
Director of Research

To  
All concerned for wider circulation and publicity

*First Circular*



## **SECOND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON PARTHENIUM MANAGEMENT**



December 5-7, 2005  
Bangalore, India

### **ORGANISED BY**

**UNIVERSITY OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES, BANGALORE**  
INDIAN COUNCIL OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH, NEW DELHI  
DEPARTMENT OF BIOTECHNOLOGY, GOVT. OF INDIA, NEW DELHI  
UNIVERSITY OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES, DHARWAD  
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**First Circular**  
**SECOND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON  
PARTHENIUM MANAGEMENT**

**BACKGROUND**

*Parthenium* (*Parthenium hysterophorus*) popularly called as white top, carrot weed, fever few, is an annual herb growing to a height of 1.0 to 1.5m with profuse flowering through out the year. It is a native of North – East Mexico, West Indies, tropical South and North America. After its introduction to India during 1956, the weed has now spread all over the country barring western parts of West Coast and temperate regions of Himalayan range. Owing to absence of natural enemies, the weed has spread from no man's land to cultivated fields causing great concern in agricultural production including decreasing the area of grazing lands.

*Parthenium hysterophorus* belonging to Asteraceae has become pernicious weed causing health problems to animals, human beings, replacing other plants causing imbalances in the bio-diversity and yield losses in various Field and Horticultural crops. In view of the fact that *Parthenium* is causing health problems, threatening the bio-diversity and reduction in crop yields, it is intended to have International Conference on *Parthenium* to update the status of *Parthenium* in different parts of the World, consolidate all the research results and to come out with workable recommendations to manage this weed in different situations/ eco-system, make useful suggestions to policy makers to combat the weed and to further activate the formation of Working Group on *Parthenium*. The First Internal Conference was held during October 6 - 8, 1997 at Dharwad, India. This is the Second International Conference being held at Bangalore during December 2005.

**THEME**

The theme of this second International conference on “Integrated management of *Parthenium* to sustainable conservation of bio-diversity in our eco-system” is on the following areas:

1. Global view of *Parthenium* in different countries
2. Importance of *Parthenium* in Agriculture, Health, Environment, Bio-diversity
3. Status of *Parthenium* management – Competitive plants, Pathogens, Insects, Chemical, Manual, Integrated approach, etc.
4. Utility aspects of *Parthenium* – medicinal, compost, insecticidal property, etc.
5. Coordinated strategy for involvement of voluntary organisations, individuals and Government agencies in the management of *Parthenium* on regional scale, and

6. Course of action on the formation of International Working Group on Parthenium.

**PRESENTATIONS**

There will be three categories of presentations:

- i) Invited
- ii) Contributory
- iii) Poster

**Invited papers** on salient topics regarding the theme from lead scientists of various countries have been planned. In addition, we welcome contributed papers for oral as well as poster presentation in different sessions, covering the theme.

For **Contributory papers**, abstracts typed double space in English, strictly not exceeding 250 words (excluding title, author information) are to be submitted on A4 size paper as hard copy as well as electronic version in a CD (preferably in Microsoft Word) on or before March 31, 2005. After acceptance, the full paper not exceeding 6 pages typed in 12 Fonts of Times New Roman, double spacing following the style of Indian Journal of Agronomy (sub headings – Title, Authors, Address of the Institution, Key words, Abstract, Introduction, Material & Methods, Results & Discussion, Literature Cited/References, Table and Figures).

**Poster Presentations:**

There will be an organised Poster session covering the theme identified in order to encourage wider participation. The papers contributed for poster session will be screened and each poster session will have a convener and the co-convener. These Conveners/ Co-conveners will prepare and present summary in the conference on the concerned poster session. This will permit discussion and help in formulation of meaningful recommendations. Papers accepted for poster presentation, organizers will provide a space of 1.0 m X 1.2m and materials for fixing posters. Posters should be precise bearing the names(s) of the author(s), brief Introduction, Materials and Methods, Results and Discussion and Conclusions.

**LANGUAGE:** English will be the official language of the Conference.

**VENUE:** Bangalore

**CONFERENCE DURATION:** December 5 - 7, 2005

**REGISTRATION**

For participation in the conference, please mail or fax the Participation Form so as to reach Dr. T.K. Prabhakara Setty, Organising Secretary & Director of

Research, University of Agricultural Sciences, GKVK Campus, Bangalore 560 065, Karnataka, India, before February 15, 2005.

### **Registration Fee**

The participating delegates are to be required to register before July 31, 2005 with the following registration fee. The registration fee needs to be sent in the form of Demand Draft/ Money transfer in favour of Organising Secretary, International Conference on Parthenium, Directorate of Research, University of Agricultural Sciences, GKVK Campus, Bangalore 560 065.

### **Foreign Delegates:**

Participant	- US \$ 500/- (with late fee - US \$ 600/-)
Student/ Research Scholar	- US \$ 200/- (with late fee - US \$ 250/-)
Accompanying member	- US \$ 200/-

### **Indian delegates:**

Participant	- Rs. 2000/- (with late fee - Rs. 2500/-)
Student/ Research Scholar	- Rs. 500/- (with late fee - Rs. 750/-)
Accompanying member	- Rs. 500/-

### **Currency**

Rupee is the national currency of India. All major international currencies can be exchanged at the International Airports, 5-Star Hotels and Banks. Major currencies are accepted at the hotels and some major shopping centers. International credit cards are widely accepted.

### **ACCOMMODATION**

Indian delegates will be arranged accommodation to a limited extent in various hostels and guest houses in and around Hebbal campus. Foreign delegates will be accommodated in various hotels varying from 5- star hotels to 2 star hotels, nearer to Hebbal/ conference place, as per their request. The details about tariff, location, etc. will be provided in the second circular.

## **IMPORTANT DATES**

Notice of Intent/ Participation Form	-	15 <sup>th</sup> February 2005
Submission of Abstract	-	31 <sup>st</sup> March 2005
Acceptance of papers	-	16 <sup>th</sup> May 2005
Registration fee	-	31 <sup>st</sup> July 2005
Receipt of full length paper (Invited/ Contributory)	-	31 <sup>st</sup> July 2005

## **Tour**

Pre and post- Conference tours to tourist spots will be organised for the registered delegates and accompanying persons in and around Bangalore as well as other places of interest.

## **SECOND CIRCULAR**

The Second Circular containing further information will be sent only to those who send the notice of Intent.

**CONFERENCE VENUE:** Bangalore

## **ABOUT THE CITY**

Bangalore, southern city of India is the capital of Karnataka. It was founded by Kempegowda of Magadi, a chieftain of Vijayanagara empire around 16<sup>th</sup> Century. Bangalore is situated at an altitude of 920 meters above MSL with latitude of 12.97° N and longitude of 77.56° E. Bangalore with salubrious and warm climate has 6.0 million population spread over an area of 368 sq. km. Bangalore is not only for its beauty and technological advancements but also for its easy access to the marvels of lands around it. This city is full of trees which line up the parks and the streets with colours of green, orange, red and yellow to make its wonderful sight. Bangalore is popularly known as “The Silicon Valley of India”, “Garden City of India”, “Hub of Bio-technology”, “Pub City”, and “The Cosmopolitan City”, and is the fastest emerging industrialized cities in India, keeping pace with the latest trends and fashion.

## **WEATHER**

Beginning of December is cool and pleasant. Light winter clothing is required. The day temperature ranges from 25 to 27° C and night temperature from 12 to 15° C with clear sky.

## **CONTACT**

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**SECOND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON PARTHENIUM  
MANAGEMENT**

**December 5 - 7, 2005, Bangalore, INDIA**

**PARTICIPATION FORM**

(Please mail or fax this form so as to reach the Secretary, International  
Conference on Parthenium Management, latest by 15<sup>th</sup> February 2005)

Name:

(Please underline your last \_\_\_\_\_  
name)

Country:

Designation & Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone: Office -

Residence -

Fax:

E-mail:

Attending/ Not attending

I wish to contribute a paper for Poster/ Oral presentation

Title of the Paper

Accommodation required

Yes/ No

If yes, type of accommodation:

Guest House (limited)/ Hotel – Ordinary/ Luxury/Deluxe

Date:

Signature:

**Mailing Address**

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