# GANGA INNOVATION MEET 2026

## "Biodiversity Conservation, Stock Enhancement & Small-scale Fisheries in Ganga River Basin"

**Venue: ICAR-CIFRI, Barrackpore** **Date: 13- 15 January 2026**

| Date | Time | Place | Event | Moderator | Panelist/ Expert | Hall Assistance | Rapporteurs |
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| **13.01.2026** | 12:00 – 1.30 PM | Meeting Room | Ganga Quiz with school students | Dr. S. Kundu | **JUDGES:**<br>Dr. S. K. Das<br>Dr. S. K. Nag | Mr. A Mondal<br>Mr. A. Ray<br>Mr. S. Dutta<br>Mr. R. B. Verma<br>Ms. R. Kumari | Mr. A. Singh |
| | 12.00 – 01.30 PM | New Auditorium | Ganga Fishers-Academia-Research Conclave | Dr. Piyashi Deb Roy | Dr. B. K. Das<br>Dr. S. Dam Roy<br>Dr. B. K. Sharma<br>Dr. P Nautiyal<br>Dr. M. A. Hassan<br>Dr. U. Bhaumik<br>Dr. M. K. Das<br>Dr. Avdhesh Kumar<br>Dr. T. S. Nagesh | Dr. R. Bhat<br>Dr. S. K. Mishra | Dr. S. Ganguly<br>Dr. S P. Panda |
| | 02.30 – 3.00 PM | Meeting Room | NMCG-Phase III Project Achievements and Way Forward: Dr. B. K. Das, PI, NMCG | Dr. A. K. Sahoo | Discussions/Suggestions on Ganga Ecology and Biodiversity and Way Forward from Experts | Ms. T. Bhowmik<br>Mr. S. Roy | Dr. A. Alam<br>Dr. T. N. Chanu |
| | 3.00-3.30 PM | | | | | | |
| | 3.30-4.30 PM | | Prof. Prakash Neutiyal<br>Prof. B.N. Pandey<br>Prof. Radha Chaube<br>Prof. B. D. Joshi | | Chairs: Prof. B. D. Joshi<br>Prof. B.N. Pandey | | |

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**Theme 1**: Time: **10:00 to 11:00 am**

**Chairs:** Dr. K. K. Vass, Dr. K. K. Sharma

**Rapporteurs:** Dr. T. N. Chanu, Dr. Satabdi Ganguly, Mr. Archisman Ray

**Presentation by:**

1. Dr. Ajoy Saha (Ecological Status of the Ganga)
2. Dr. Canciyal Johnson (Stock Characterization & reproductive vulnerability)
3. Dr. Gunjan Karnatak and Mr. M. Ramteke (Ex-situ conservation of fish in the Ganga)
4. Dr. Dibakar Bhakta (Gangetic Dolphin conservation in Ganga)
5. Dr. P. K. Parida (Nutrient Profiling of small indigenous fish from Ganga River)

**Theme II**: Time: **11:00 am to 12:00 pm**

**Chairs:** Dr. U. K. Sarkar, Dr. Radha Chaube

**Rapporteurs:** Dr. T. N. Chanu, Dr. Satabdi Ganguly, Mr. Archisman Ray

**Presentation by:**

1. Dr. Suman Kumari (Plankton Status in the Ganga River)
2. Dr. D. K. Meena (Benthos status in the river)
3. Dr. B. K. Das (Status of Microplastic pollution in the Ganga River)
4. Dr. Sourav Kundu (Emerging Contaminants in the Ganga River)
5. Dr. Bandana Das Ghosh (Status of carbon sequestration in the river Ganga)

**Theme III**: Time: **12:00 to 1:30 pm**

**Chairs:** Dr. A.P. Sharma, Dr. B.B. Jana

**Rapporteur:** Dr. T.N. Chanu, Dr. Satabdi Ganguly, Mr. Archisman Ray

**Presentation by:**

1. Dr. Lianthuamluaia (Status of the wetlands of Ganga River basin)
2. Dr. Archisman Ray (Status of tributaries of Ganga River Basin)
3. Dr. Arun Pandit (Socio-economic status of small-scale fishers in river Ganga)
4. Dr. Piyashi Deb Roy (Impact Assessment in Ganga River stretches)
5. Dr. Shreya Bhattacharya (Impact of awareness in Ganga basin)

## Panel Discussion

**Panel Discussion – I** **Time: 2:30 Pm to 3:30 pm**

**Panelists:** Dr. M. R. Sinha, Dr. D.K. Dey, Dr. U. Bhowmik, Dr. M.K. Das, Dr. B. B. Jana, Dr. K.K. Vass, Dr. S. N. Singh, Dr. M.L. Bhaumick, Dr. V. Reddy, Dr. A. K. Das, Mr. Karthikeyan, Mr. Ritesh Chand

**Rapporteurs:** Dr. T. N. Chanu, Dr. Satabdi Ganguly, Mr. Archisman Ray

**Presentation by:**

1. Hilsa Fisheries Status in River Ganga and Way Forward (Dr. A.K. Sahoo)

**Panel Discussion – II** **Time: 3:30 Pm to 4:30 pm**

**Panelists:** Dr. V. Saxena, Dr. A. P. Sharma, Dr. B. D. Joshi, Dr. P. Nautiyal, Dr. Kuldeep Sharma, Dr. B. K. Sharma, Dr. B. R. Chavan, Dr. Sashi Bhusan, Dr. Susmita Lahiri, Mr. Avnish Singh Deo, Dr. Manoj Pati

**Presentation by:**

1. Status of Mahseer Fisheries in River Ganga and Way Forward (Dr. D. N. Jha)

**Rapporteurs:** Dr. T.N. Chanu, Dr. Satabdi Ganguly, Mr. Archisman Ray

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| **15.01.2026** | 10.00 – 11.00 AM | Meeting Room | Abstract Presentation (Session -I): Ex-Situ Conservation for Resource Enhancement in Ganga | Dr. Lianthuamluaia | Dr. Archana Sinha<br>Dr. Jyoti Verma | Dr. Jeetendra Kumar | Mr. R. Jaiswal<br>Mr. S. Patel |
| | 11.00 – 11.30 AM | | **Hi-Tea** | | | | |
| | 11.30 AM – 12.30 PM | | Abstract Presentation (Session – II): Biogeography & Biodiversity Patterns of the Ganga Basin | Dr. Lianthuamluaia | Dr. V. V. Sugunan<br>Dr. D. S. K. Rao | Dr. V. R. Thakur | Mr. A. Singh<br>Ms. A. Murali |
| | 12.30 – 01.30 PM | | Abstract Presentation (Session – III): Pollution and Ecological Health Assessment of Ganga Basin | Dr. Gunjan Karnatak | Dr. D. N. Singh<br>Dr. R. K. Manna | Dr. V. Kumar | Ms. R. Kumari<br>Ms. R. Vallangi |
| | 01.30 – 02.30 PM | New Auditoriu | **Lunch** | | | | |

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| | 02.30 – 03.30 PM | Meeting Room | Abstract Presentation (Session – IV): Hilsa Stock Enhancement & Recovery Programme in Ganga Conservation of Gangetic Dolphins and Mahseer | Dr. Suman Kumari | Dr. G. K. Vinci<br>Dr. S. Behera | Dr. Mitesh H. Ramteke | Mr. A. Singh<br>Ms. A. Murali |
| | 03.30 – 04.30 PM | | Abstract Presentation (Session – V): Status of Small-scale Fisheries & Community Co-management for Restoration of Ganga Basin | Dr. Piyashi Debroy | Dr. M. Karthikeyan<br>Dr. A. U. Muzzadadi | Dr. Canciyal Johnson | Mr. R. Jaiswal<br>Mr. S. Patel |
| | 04.30 – 05.00 PM | | **Tea break** | | | | |