**Workshop on Modernization of Agriculture for a Prosperous Nepal**

**(Jestha 21-22, 2078; June 4-5, 2021)**

**General Guideline for Authors**

Department of Agriculture (DoA) in partnership with Nepal Agriculture Federation (NAF) is organizing a national conference on **"*Modernization of Agriculture for a Prosperous Nepal"*** from 21st to 22nd Jestha 2077 (June 4-5, 2021) in Kathmandu**.** This conference is expected to help design future policies, plan and strategies of agricultural modernization for a Prosperous Nepal.

Selected five thematic papers (*Youth engagement in agriculture, Land Bank/ land consolidation for commercialization of agriculture, Risk aversion in agriculture, Contemporary strategy to reform agriculture extension, Foreign direct investment in agriculture*), one from each area, will be presented by eminent experts/scientists selected by the Review and Technical Committee. Contributing papers are open to all interested scientists/technicians/policy leaders in the following topics (2-3 papers from each topic).

**The organizing committee invites authors to submit the contributing papers/posters (review/research/case studies) on the following topics:**

1. Research/review papers for increasing production, productivity and modernization of agriculture.
2. Agricultural mechanization
3. Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in agriculture
4. Feminization in agriculture
5. Research-Extension-Education linkage
6. Precision and protected horticulture
7. New agriculture policies for import substitution and export promotion: Strategies, programs and way forward
8. Post-COVID agriculture

 Deadline for abstract submission: 5thMay, 2021

 Notification of abstract acceptance by: 13th May, 2021

 Deadline for submission of full paper: 28th May, 2021

*The electronic copy of Papers/Posters may be submitted/mailed to:*

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* Title should be legibly read from a distance of 5-10 feet. Text should be legibly read from 1-2 feet.
* Title: Largest font size: 70-90pts. (preferably 85 pts.)
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* Use bold,*italics* or underline to emphasize a word.

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**Guideline for Papers (Oral Presentation)**

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**Key words:** 3-5 words.

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References cited together in the text should be arranged chronologically. The list of references should be arranged alphabetically on authors’ names, and chronologically per author.

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Kuznets, S. 1969. *Modern Economic Growth: Rate, Structure and Spread*. New Haven, CT, Yale University Press.

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Nesbitt-Larking, P. 1994. The 1992 referendum and the 1993 federal election in Canada: Patterns of protest, in: Proceedings of the annual meeting of the Canadian Political Science Association, Calgary, Canada, pp. 351–365.

Barr, C.W. 2000. Evaluations of political leaders in Canada, Britain and the United States. Doctoral dissertation, York University, Toronto, Ontario.

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Smith, A. 1999. Spending limits irk Cabinet. The Globe and Mail, 3 December, p. A1. *Internet source:* Give the universal resource locator in full: Nepalese Journal of Agricultural Economics (Vol. 1, No. 1, September 2011)

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Ikerd, J. 1999. Sustainable agriculture as a rural economic development. Retrieved from http://www.ssu.missouri.edu/ faculty/JIkerd/papers/sa-cdst.htm on 2 May 2002.

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