

Draft ICAR Open Access Policy for Comments

(Deadline for consideration 23rd May, 2013)

- All the ICAR institutes to setup their Open Access Institutional Repository using Free and Open Source Software which is of Open Archive Initiative (OAI-MHP) compliant.
- ICAR shall setup a central harvester to harvest the metadata and full-text of all the records from all the OA repositories of the ICAR institutes for one stop access to all the agricultural knowledge generated in ICAR.
- All research and technical publications viz., research articles, popular articles, book chapters, books, monographs, catalogues, conference proceedings, success stories, case studies, annual reports, newsletters, pamphlets, brochures, bulletins, summary of the completed projects, class/lecture notes, presentations, photos, videos, speeches, key note addresses, other digital objects and all the grey literatures available with the institutes to be placed under Open Access.
- The authors of the scholarly articles produced from the research conducted at the ICAR institutes have to deposit immediately the final authors version manuscripts of papers accepted for publication (pre-prints) in the institute's Open Access repository.
- Scientists and other research personnel of the ICAR working in all ICAR institutes or elsewhere are encouraged to publish their research work with publishers which allow self-archiving in Open Access Institutional Repositories and required to submit final manuscript of paper accepted for publication (pre-print) in the ICAR institute's Open Access repository.
- Scientists are advised to mention the ICAR's Open Access policy while signing the copyright agreements with the publishers. And the embargo if any should not be later than 6 months.
- Final reports of completed research projects and M.Sc. and Ph.D. thesis/dissertations to be deposited in the institutes open access repository after completion of the work. The metadata (e.g., title, abstract, authors, publisher, etc.) be freely accessible from the time of deposition of the content and their free unrestricted use through Open Access can be made after an embargo period not more than 12 months.
- All the journals published by the ICAR have been made Open Access. All the books published by ICAR and journals and books published by the ICAR institutes are to be made Open Access

- Journals, books, conference proceedings and other scholarly literature published with the financial support from ICAR to the professional societies and others, to be made Open.
- The DKMA to function as nodal agency for implementation of the ICAR Open Access policy. The DKMA will organise advocacy workshops and capacity building of scientific & technical personnel, repository administrators, editors and publishers on Institutional Repositories, application and usage of Free and Open Source Software All the meta-data, full-texts and other records/data/information of the institutional repositories are copyrighted with the ICAR and are licensed under Creative Commons Non Commercial Share Alike (CC-NC-SA) for use, re-use and sharing without any warranty.
- The documents having material to be patented or commercialised, or where the promulgations would infringe a legal commitment by the institute and/or the author, may not be included in institute's Open Access repository. However, the commercial books authored on contract by the ICAR staff may negotiate with the publishers to share the same via institutional repositories after a suitable embargo period.

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