

PROGRAMME OF REGIONAL CORN CONFERENCE 2019 (RCC 2019)

DATE / TIME	PROGRAMME
25/2/2019 (Monday)	
2000-2200	Registration & Reception Posters and Booth set-up
26/2/2019 (Tuesday)	
0730-0900	Registration / Poster set-up
0900-1000	<p><u>Keynote Address</u> <i>Maize Research for Development in Asia: Status, Challenges and Opportunities</i> Dr. B.S. Vivek International Maize and Wheat Improvement Center (CIMMYT), India.</p> <p>Chairman: YBrs. Dr. Rozhan Bin Abu Dardak Deputy Director General (Development & Operation) Malaysian Agricultural Research & Development Institute (MARDI), Malaysia.</p>
1000-1030	Tea break and Poster Session
1030-1130	<p><u>Opening Ceremony</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recitation of <i>Doa</i> • Welcoming Remarks by: YBhg. Dato' Mohd Sallehuddin Bin Hassan <i>Secretary General, Ministry of Agriculture & Agro-Based Industry (MOA), Malaysia</i> • Speech and official opening by: YB. Dato' Salahuddin Bin Ayub <i>Minister, Ministry of Agriculture & Agro-based Industry, (MOA), Malaysia</i> • Book Launching Ceremony "Penyelidikan MARDI ke arah Pembangunan Jagung Bijian Negara" • Visit to exhibition booth and poster session • Press Conference
<p>Session I: Economy and Policy Chairman: Mr. Tapsir Bin Serin Economy and Social Science Research Centre, Malaysian Agricultural Research & Development Institute (MARDI), Malaysia.</p>	
1130-1200	<p><u>Plenary 1</u> <i>Socio-economic Impact of Technology Innovation & Policy Reform in The Philippine Corn Industry</i> Dr. Leo Gonzales Society Towards Reinforcing Inherent Viability for Enrichment (STRIVE) Inc., Philippines.</p>

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1200-1230	<p>Paper 1 <i>Indonesia Road Map to Grain Corn Self Sufficiency, Policies and Strategies</i> Prof. Dr. Moh. Cholil Mahfud East Java Assessment Institute for Agricultural Technology (East Java AIAT), Indonesian Agency for Agricultural Research and Development, Ministry of Agriculture, Indonesia.</p>
1230-1300	<p>Paper 2 <i>Malaysian Policies and Strategies on Grain Corn Production</i> YBrs. Ms. Habshah Binti Ali Crops, Livestock and Fishery Industry Division, Ministry of Agriculture & Agro-Based Industry (MOA), Malaysia.</p>
1300-1400	Lunch & Poster Session
<p>Session II: Agronomy & Breeding Chairman: Dr. Tan Swee Lian Research & Development, Solomon Plantations Sdn. Bhd., Malaysia.</p>	
1400-1430	<p>Plenary 2 <i>GM corn in The Philippines: Adoption, Experience and Farm Performance</i> Ms. Rosalie Ellasus Philippines Maize Federation, Philippines.</p>
1430-1450	<p>Paper 3 <i>Breeding of Superior Grain Corn Variety in Malaysia</i> Ms. Yeap Hui Yin Green World Genetics Sdn. Bhd. (GWG), Malaysia.</p>
1450-1510	<p>Paper 4 <i>Malaysia Maize Breeding Program: Challenges and Perspectives</i> Prof. Dr. Ghizan Bin Saleh University Putra Malaysia, Malaysia</p>
1510-1530	<p>Paper 5 <i>Performance of Current Commercial Corn Hybrid on Three Different Location</i> Dr. Mohamad Bahagia Bin Ab Ghaffar Rice Research Centre, Malaysian Agricultural Research & Development Institute (MARDI), Malaysia.</p>
<p>Session III: Field Mechanization Chairman: Mr. Zolkafli Bin Aris Engineering Research Centre, Malaysian Agricultural Research & Development Institute (MARDI), Malaysia.</p>	
1530-1600	<p>Plenary 3 <i>Challenge and Future of Postharvest Handling of Grain Corn in Thailand</i> Mr. Viboon Thepent Postharvest Engineering Research Group, Agricultural Engineering Research Institute, Thailand.</p>

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1600-1630	Paper 6 <i>Mechanization Package for Grain Corn Cultivation</i> Dr. Chan Chee Seng Engineering Research Centre, Malaysian Agricultural Research & Development Institute (MARDI), Malaysia.
1630-1700	Paper 7 <i>The Extension of Mechanization Technology for Grain Corn Production in Malaysia-The Role and Strategy of the Department of Agriculture (DOA), Malaysia</i> Ms. Airul Asmiza Binti Khaeruddin Agricultural Engineering Division, Department of Agriculture (DOA), Malaysia.
1700-1730	Tea break & Poster Session
27/2/2019 (Wednesday)	
Session IV: Post Harvest & Processing Chairman: Dr. Zamri Bin Ishak Biotechnology and Nanotechnology Research Centre, Malaysian Agricultural Research & Development Institute (MARDI), Malaysia.	
0900-0930	Plenary 4 <i>Production and Processing of Sweet Corn in Malaysia: True Experiences and Journey of Nelson</i> YBhg. Datuk Seri Nelson Kwok Teng Toong Nelson's Franchise (M) Sdn. Bhd., Malaysia.
0930-0950	Paper 8 <i>Grain Corn Harvesting Technologies-Local Versus Overseas Practice</i> Mr. Rohazrin Bin Abdul Rani Engineering Research Centre, Malaysian Agricultural Research & Development Institute (MARDI), Malaysia.
0950-1010	Paper 9 <i>Experiences, Challenges and Future Strategies in Postharvest Handling of Grain Corn in Malaysia</i> Mr. Yahya Bin Sahari Engineering Research Centre, Malaysian Agricultural Research & Development Institute (MARDI), Malaysia.
1010-1030	Paper 10 <i>Experiences, Challenges and Strategies in Transporting and Storing of Grain Corn</i> Dr. Wilmot Sasindran Dass Delstasia Sdn Bhd, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
1030-1100	Tea break & Poster Session
Session V: Quality & Safety Chairman: Ybhg. Dato' Dr. Quaza Nizamuddin Bin Hassan Nizam Department of Veterinary Services (DVS), Malaysia	

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1100-1130	Plenary 5 Quality and Safety in Feed Milling Mr. Peter Scott Grain Logistic, Buhler Asia Private Limited, Buhler Malaysia Sdn. Bhd., Malaysia.
1130-1150	Paper 11 Quality Standards in Animal Feed Industry Mr. Suhaimi Bin Dollah Veterinary Public Health Laboratory, Department of Veterinary Services (DVS), Malaysia.
1150-1210	Paper 12 The Quality and Safety Monitoring Programs for Grain Corn Production and Handling Mr. Caleb Wurth U.S Grains Council, (Southeast Asia), Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.
1210-1230	Paper 13 Mycotoxins in Animal Feeds; New Challenge of an Old Problem Dr. Nik Iskandar Putra Bin Samsudin Faculty of Food Science & Technology, Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM), Malaysia.
1230-1400	Lunch & Poster session
1400-1630	Forum “Corn Production: Strategy, Policy and Implementation Plan” Moderator : Mr. Abdul Aziz Bin Atta Mohammad Panelists : Prof. Dr. Ghizan Bin Saleh Dr. Leo Gonzales Prof. Dr. Moh. Cholil Mahfud Dr. B.S. Vivek Mr. Viboon Thepent
1630-1730	Award Presentation and Closing Ceremony by YBhg. Datuk Dr. Mohamad Roff Bin Mohd Noor Director General Malaysian Agricultural Research & Development Institute (MARDI), Malaysia.
28/2/2019 (Thursday)	
0900-1300	Technical Visit to MARDI Seberang Perai, Penang

*The programme is subject to change. The organizer reserves the right to make changes to the event programme.

TECHNICAL VISIT

The visit is held on 28 February 2019. Seats are available on the first-come first-served basis. The itinerary is as follow:

Corn Valley MARDI Seberang Perai 28 /02/2019 (Thursday)	
0745-0800	Assemble at the hotel lobby
0800	Depart to MARDI Seberang Perai
0900-0930	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrival at Corn Valley MARDI Seberang Perai • Briefing by Dr. Chan Chee Seng
0930-1200	Demonstration of grain corn planting by Mr. Rohazrin (Location: Block B)
	Visit to grain corn research plots Briefing by Dr. Chan Chee Sheng / Mr. Aziz Atta/Dr. Bahagia/Mr. Dilipkumar
	Demonstration of grain corn harvesting by Mr. Rohazrin (Location: Block A)
	Demonstration of grain corn drying by Mr. Yahya (Location: Pusat Pengujian Jentuai)
1200-1300	Lunch
1300	Depart and travelling back to hotel

MARDI SEBERANG PERAI, PENANG



MARDI Seberang Perai station also known as Rice Research and Innovation Excellence Centre is one of the oldest MARDI research stations in Malaysia. Even though the research activities began in 1972, MARDI and Department of Agriculture were sharing the same buildings and research facilities in Bumbong Lima then. On August 28, 1981, MARDI acquired a 146-hectare parcel of land in Paya Keladi. The land was developed with office complexes and facilities to carry out research activities. MARDI Seberang Perai station was officially opened on the 28th of October 1991. Currently, the station houses a total of 31 scientists and 120 supporting staffs making it the largest research station outside MARDI headquarter and the largest rice research station in Malaysia.

In recent years, with new concern about the large dependence on imported grain corn, MARDI has taken an initiative to start research on grain corn. MARDI Seberang Perai was chosen. An initial of 5 ha of land was allocated to carry out the research activities. The research plot was equipped with irrigation system and farm access. The current research focus on varietal evaluation, agronomic practices to improve yield, cost-effective and efficient field mechanization and harvesting. Under long term planning, MARDI Seberang Perai will become centre for grain corn research. Full-fledged research activities from land preparation, planting, crop care and maintenance, harvesting to post harvest handling will be carried out. Other more

specific new infrastructure and facilities will be added to this station include permanent grain corn research plots, grain corn dryer, planter and combine harvester.