

Dear All Esteemed Members of ISAE

I, Dr. Uday M. Khodke is contesting for the post of **Vice President (Technical Council)** in executive council of ISAE for the term 2018-2021.

I am graduated from CAET Akola (1984) and M. Tech. (1986), Ph. D. from IIT Khragpur.

I started my career in **State Irrigation Department** as Assistant Engineer. I am an active member of ISAE since beginning as a **student member** and I am one of the few oldest members of ISAE.

I was involved in establishment of **Parbhani chapter of ISAE** as Secretary and **College of Agricultural Engineering & Technology** Parbhani. As an active member of ISAE I have added more than 50 life members to the society.

In last 30 years of service as a professional Agricultural Engineer I worked in Education, Research and Extension wings of VNMKV Parbhani in the capacity of **Associate Dean** (2013-2016), **Head** Division of Agricultural Engineering (Since 2012 till date) and **Chief Scientist**, Irrigation Water Management (2008-2013 & since 2016 till date). I have published more than 120 research papers in National and International journals, Seminar, Conferences and edited 6 books & 3 proceedings and guided 20 PG students for M.Tech. and PhD degree on innovative research areas and appropriate technology.

My contribution in research and popularizing micro-irrigation and many water management technologies has been recognized by the University and Society with many appreciations and Awards like Vasant Rao Naik Memorial Gold Medal and Best Research Scientist Award.

I was National coordinator of Irrigation & Drainage in Vth Deans Committee and member on many state and national committees.

I am a Life Member of many professional societies and **Fellow of ISAE, Institution of Engineers and IWRS.**

My brief agenda as VP Technical Council will be:

- Organization of theme wise seminars/ Symposia/ workshops at regional level involving local chapters.
- Motivating UG/ PG students and increasing their involvement in skill development programs of all major disciplines of Agricultural Engineering.
- Increase the interaction with developmental departments of Central/State Governments and private sector.
- Enhancing the monitoring and coordination mechanism with Technical Directors.

- Developing strong linkages with Industries and NGOs working in Agricultural Engineering Sector

This is an earnest appeal to all ISAE members to give me opportunity to contribute further in ISAE activities at National Level and achieve greater heights of development and cooperation with the most active team.

I have strong belief that I practically can contribute a lot to take ISAE to greater heights with the support of all members and recognized Fellows. Many of ISAE members and my friends in the profession have requested me to contest for this post.

Please vote online for election (During Nov. 16 to Dec. 16, 2017) by login to your member area www.isae.in (for example. User id: LM-xxxx, default password: 123 or updated password given by the election office of ISAE on www.election.isae.in)

Looking forward for your valuable support.

With Kind Regards

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