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## New Year Message

*Dear all ISAEians! I on behalf of the Indian Society of Agricultural Engineers (ISAE) and on my own behalf wish you all a very happy, healthy, forward looking and satisfying new year 2024. Think and plan collectively to make India a real path sowing country for the rest of the world. The ISAE has already released its 2024 wall calendar on the theme "makhana, an aquatic crop" in its the 57<sup>th</sup> ISAE annual convention and International Symposium held at Raichur. I am sure the knowledge shared in the calendar will educate many of you with this wonder crop of India. You all who have attended the event must have had one; and the same has been circulated few weeks back through various media. Enjoy it, share the knowledge and increase the visibility of Agreeneers.*

*Dear fellow members! The year 2023 was full of achievements not only for the society but for the whole profession and the country. The ISAE and Agricultural Engineering subject matter division ICAR together put their efforts for Directorate of Agricultural Engineering in each state. Hon'ble Cabinet minister AF&AW, Govt. of India, also wrote letters to all chief ministers. The efforts yielded results and at least four states have declared that they are going to set up such directorate. The ISAE signed MoU with ASABE for the first time to have collaboration in their global common activities. The JAEI now is being indexed by several agencies including the Ebscohost; and we have also applied for Thompson Reuter impact factor, engineering village and many more indexing. A decent SJIF for JAEI has already been obtained. An excellent and robust journal management system is now in place. A new chief editor of JAEI and Auditor have been identified and appointed.*

*Friends! You must be enjoying the Hindi version of AET as "Adhunik Krishi Abhyantriki" in online mode. Efforts are also being put to have AET in other vernacular languages of India. A unique book entitled "Impression: treatise of ISAE growth and Impact" was also published in this year. The book discovers many untold stories and efforts of all our ancestors for keeping ISAE at path since more than 63 years. Our chapters have also become more vibrant and they organized several events during the year and the most notable one was iPAS organized by The Delhi-NCR chapter. Now many chapters have opened their bank account and ISAE headquarter has transferred Rs. 5000/- to 14 of them as seed money to start doing some activities. This year ISAE had at least three meetings with industry and two with state governments ministers. The ISAE has received another hall from ICAR to expand its activities. The year 2023 also helped in expanding Agricultural Engineering SMD in ICAR by bringing Makhana Research Centre Darbhanga as NRC under the division, giving status of Coimbatore and Abohar campus as regional stations and operationalization of two new divisions one each at CIPHET and NISA Ranchi, respectively. The 2023 achievements list is longer and not possible to enumerate here. All these are because of cooperation of all our executive committee, ISAE council and other members. The financial positions and fund allocations of ISAE and SMD in ICAR respectively also have grown significantly and thus planning to initiate several other activities.*

*A few new initiatives such as online generation of membership certificates, MoU with company to have long term stable IT supports for the society, translation of AET in other languages, standard development, English editor appointment, trainings of members, symposium/seminars etc. are in pipelines. Putting efforts to open new department/colleges are also in our agenda, but all these are only possible with increased support of all members and their extended hands to contribute in activities of society in manner which you like. Dear Members! The current executive committee has completed its two years and hope it has fulfilled all promises made during the election in 2021. Friends! Our efforts are at full swing to make our society amongst the best in country. I wish again you all and your family and friends the very best for 2024 and beyond.*

With best regards

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