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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, progressive and satisfying New Year 2026. May The God bless you all in all aspects of your life!*

*The year 2025 was the most vibrant and satisfying year for the ISAE. We had the most vibrant election and the new executive took the charge with new energy, new vigor and new aims. The dream of ISAEians came true by getting ISAE journal "Journal of Agricultural Engineering (India)" indexed in the Web of Science. It has started publishing before schedule and citations have taken a quantum jump (more than 600 citations in 2025). Manuscripts and their reviewers are from across the globe. Similarly, Agricultural Engineering Today nowadays are after sought magazine by Industries, students and farmers.. Majority of contributions, are from industries' stalwarts. We have moved to second version of journal management system and iThenticate 2.0 for better plagiarism check before publication in JAEIL Like JAEI now AET has also its own Google Scholar page to see its citations score anytime from anywhere. We have our own online award nomination/application modules.*

*Dear Agrineers! The efforts for having directorate in states have also yielded results. Maharashtra Government has created the post of Director (Agricultural Engineering) and Bihar has restructured the cadre and has given charge of DDO at districts' level. Assam, J & K, Karnataka, Punjab, Kerala, Telangana etc. states have taken some steps. To accelerate the process, the current Hon'ble Agriculture and farmers' welfare minister Sh Shivraj Singh Chauhan jee has again written to chief minister of each state. Secretary DARE & DG ICAR has written to the chief Secretary of Punjab. Secretary Department of Agriculture and Farmers' welfare Sh. Chaturvedi jee has written to chief secretary of each state. National Academy of Agricultural Sciences in its policy paper No 135 has recommended to have directorate in each state and appointment of Agricultural Engineers in each block and Panchayat. This policy paper also recommends to have more manpower in Agricultural Engineering education and all IITs and SAUs must start under graduation programme. I myself had written to all IITs to start B. Tech. (Agricultural Engineering). Few IITs such as IIT Mandi, Tirupati, Mumbai have discussed with me. IIT Mandi has made syllabuses. IIT Delhi has contacted for brainstorming meeting on the issue.*

*Dear Friends! We here from Delhi are trying to pursue at all levels, but regular persuasions at local level will yield results at faster rate. To keep the member glued with the society activities, we had Executive Committee meeting every month, three ISAE council meetings, two general body meetings and one advisory committee meeting during the period, besides informing members regularly through its bimonthly e-newsletter and social media. Chapters have also been activated. The ISAE and its journal not only has become truly International, but its financial status and activities have also doubled. With increased activities, expenditure has also become more than double. We could however still save sufficiently and almost doubled the society's corpus since 31 march 2022. The most recently the FAO has Awarded the Seal of Recognition for active FAO AGRIS DATA provider to ISAE. The society also got recognition for getting CSR funding for its mandated activities. We have also signed MoUs with different organizations, including APEDA. The 2025 achievements' list is longer and not possible to enumerate all here. Because of cooperation of all of you, all these could happen. I thank all of you profusely.*

*Dear members! We are trying to bring society to a newer height. Preparation of CIGR International conference 2028 has started. We had recently presentation to CIGR board on progress of preparation. My only request is, PLEASE TAKE PART IN ISAE ACTIVITIES actively and let our society have a bigger wing to fly at another newer height in 2026. I wish again you all and your family and friends the very best 2026 and beyond.*

With best regards

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President, ISAE