

## Countrys work plan

Country : INDIA

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## Greetings from Rubber Research Institute of India.....



## Rubber statistics(2010)

	Estates	Smallholdings	Total
Planted area (ha)	-	-	711560 ha
Productions (m/tonne)	-	-	861950 t
Producers (no. / %)	20 %	80 %	100

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## Common rubber diseases in India

### LEAF

Abnormal leaf fall  
*(Phytophthora spp)*  
 Powdery mildew  
*(Oidium heveae)*  
 Corynespora leaf disease  
*(Corynespora cassicola)*  
 Colletotrichum leaf disease  
*(C. acutatum)*  
*C. gloeosporioides)*  
 Bird's eye spot  
*(Drechslera heveae)*

### ROOT

Brown root  
*(Phellinus noxius)*  
 Poria root  
*(Poria vineta)*  
 Purple root  
*(Helicobasidium compactum)*

### STEM

Pink  
*(Corticium salmonicolor)*  
 Patch canker  
*(Phytophthora spp)*  
 Black stripe  
*(Phytophthora spp)*  
 Dry rot  
*(Ustilina deusta)*

South American Leaf Blight - Confined to South America (*Mycrocyclis uleri*)

## South American Leaf Blight

### • Available expertise:

Particular	Name	Organi zation	Contact
Trained personal on SALB:	5		
Personal exposed t o SALB:	James Jacob Kuruvilla Jacob Sabu P Idicula	RRII	+9148123533 11
Personal who attended workshop on SALB:	Sabu P Idicula Jacob Mathew Gupta	RRII RRII PPO	

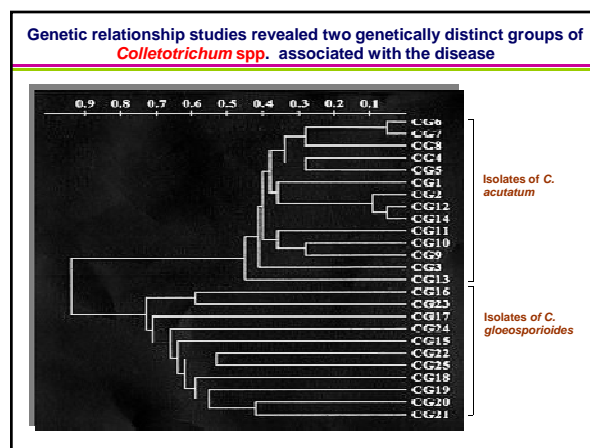
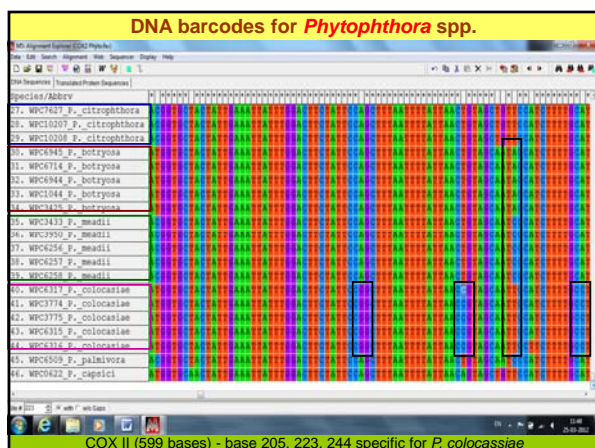
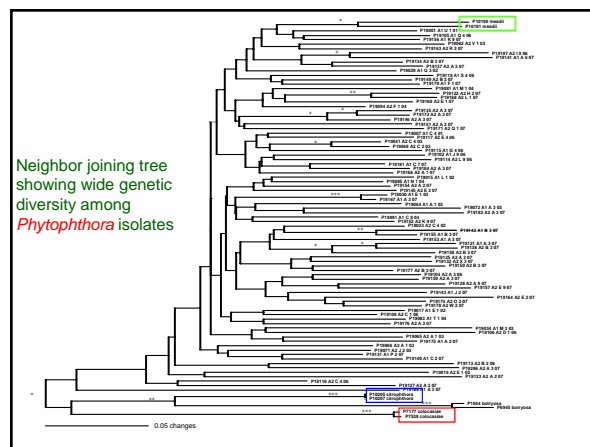
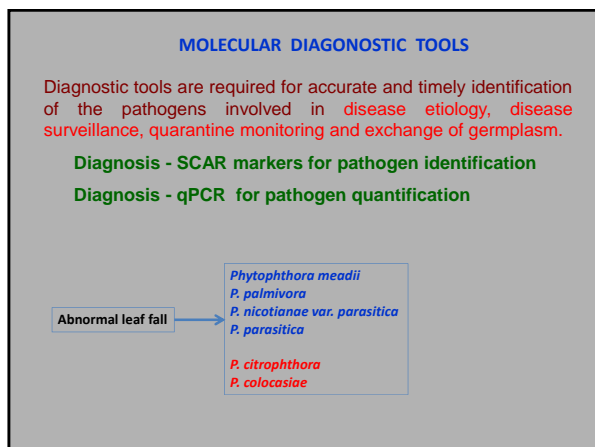
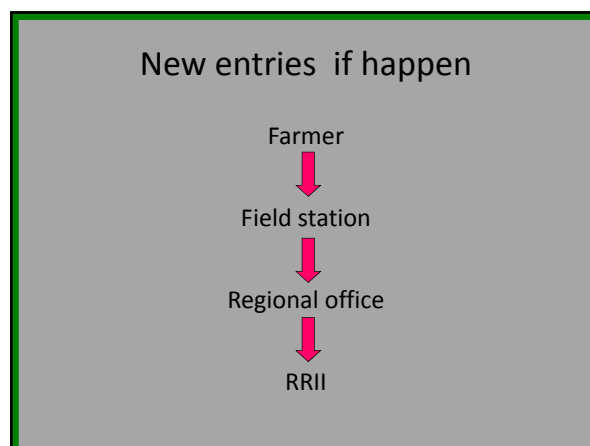
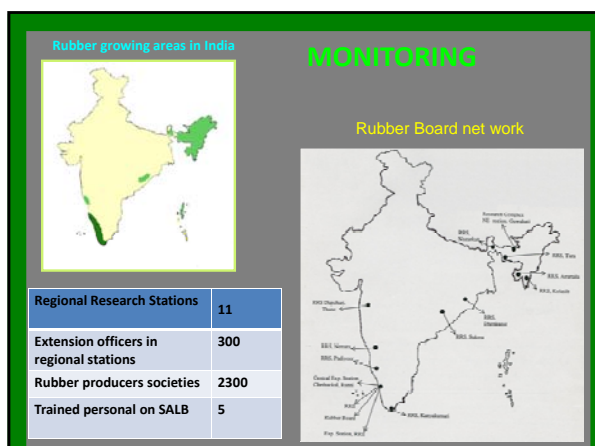
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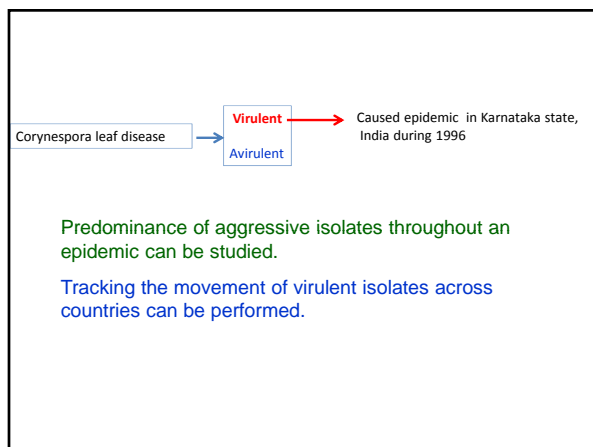
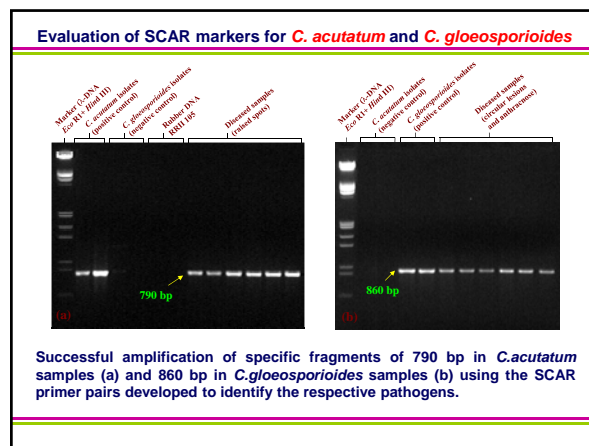
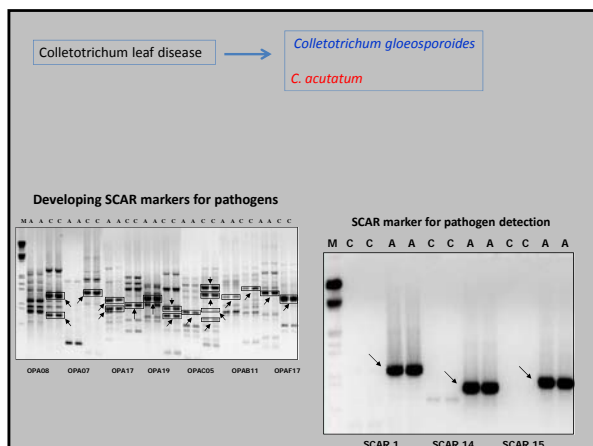
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### Diagnostic facilities expertise:

- Cultural and morphological test
- Serological tests
- Molecular tests
  - DNA finger printing
  - Sequence based identification

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**OUR SCHEME FOR SALB**

**Population genetic structuring of *Microcyclus ulei* for development of diagnostic markers to prevent future threat of South American Leaf Blight (SALB) epidemic in India**

**Past activities on SALB**

Research – plant breeding	Nil
Training experience	
Public awareness programme	
Training programme in country	3
Availability of trainers and training material(s)	

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**Specific Training Programme On SALB**

- Conducted previous by : Nil
- Plan on Training Programme:

Suggestion

**National level training programme for extension and research personals**

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## DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION

Lab to Land Pathway

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**ON-LINE RUBBER CLINIC**

<http://clinic.rubberboard.org.in>

A distance diagnostic and information system for the rapid diagnosis and management of pests and diseases of natural rubber

**PLANT PROTECTION CAMP**  
Organised by  
**THE RUBBER BOARD**  
AT YMCA HALL, MUNDAKAYAM

Colletotrichum leaf disease

Symptoms demo in the field

**Field demonstrations**

Sprayed      Unsprayed

Abnormal leaf fall

Farmers participation

**ROLE OF RUBBER TRAINING INSTITUTE**

**General Training Programmes**

- Training on beekeeping in rubber plantations
- Training on mushroom culture
- Training on spraying and maintenance of sprayers
- Training on biogas generation from effluents
- Training on latex harvest technology
- Training on nursery management
- Training on pest and disease control
- Training on budding techniques in rubber
- Training on modern clones
- Training on rubber wood processing, furniture making and quality control
- Training on Root Trainer plants

**International Training Programmes**

- Advanced training on rubber cultivation and plantation management
- Advanced training on rubber products manufacture and testing

**Out Station Training Programmes**

- Training at RPS centres
- Orientation training on rubber based industry
- Training on quality control of different marketable forms of NR

**MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES****Corynespora disease eradication campaign 1999**

1996	Epidemic observed in in Karnataka state, India
1997- 1998	Spray trials
1998	Demonstration of spraying
1998	Survey : 50-70% disease incidence
1999	Disease eradication campaign
2006	Constituted <b>Corynespora Task Force</b> with the aim to contain the pathogen and rapid spread of the disease.

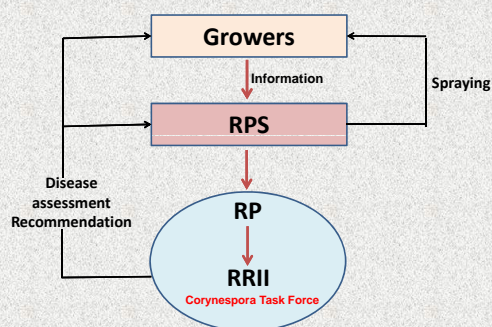
**Rubber Producer's Societies**

**Voluntary organization of rubber small growers**

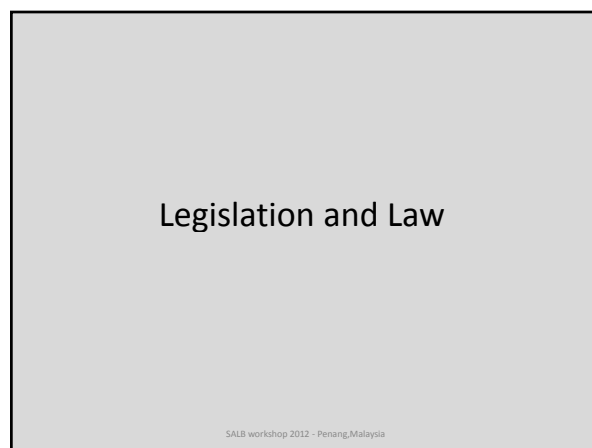
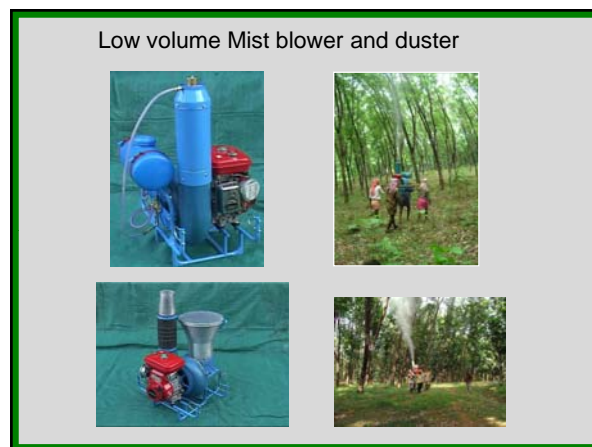
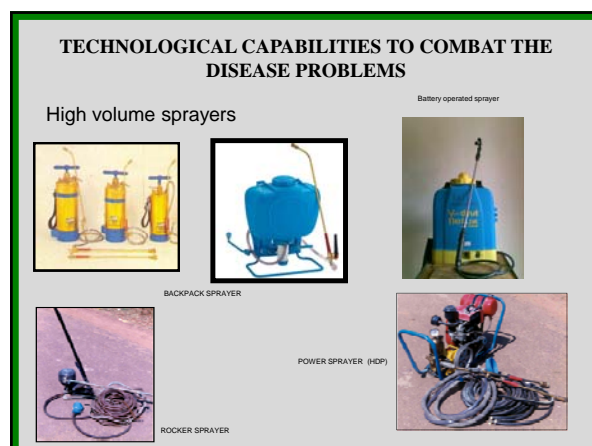
Promote the latest technology for rubber cultivation, latex harvest, processing and marketing, among smallholders

Promote group farming

Act as a link between Rubber Board and the growers

**Operation of Corynespora task force**





## Conclusion

The primary goal is to prevent the entry of SALB

Advantageously, SALB not introduced in India, stringent quarantine measures have to be installed to avoid the pathogen entry through portals

In case, gains entry, we have the mechanism to monitor and diagnose instantly through the available machineries and to initiate control protocols.



With Love.....  
E. Edwin Prem



## Recommendation

- SALB core research working group
- Screening for the high yielding clones for tolerance/resistance
- Identifying/sharing the source of resistance materials for breeding programme for SALB tolerance/resistance
- Development of molecular diagnostic tools for
  1. Detection of *M. ulai*
  2. Screening of available clone/germplasm

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