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**Webinar Title: Scientific Storage in Food Grains for minimizing Post Harvest Losses**

**Webinar Type:**

**Paid**

**Registration Fee (including GST):**

**Rs. 500/-**

**Expert Speaker:**

**Dr. Ashok Kumar, Sr. Consultant**

**Webinar Date:**

**25th September 2020 |**

**Duration: 1:30 Hrs**

**About Webinar:**

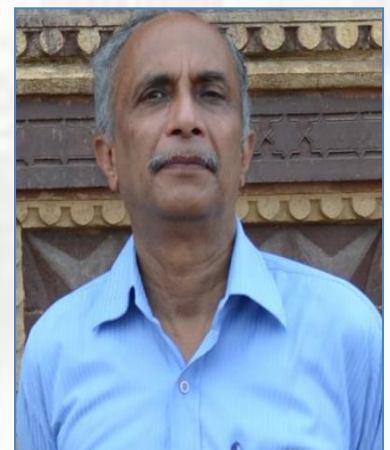
The exceptional performance of Agriculture sector during the outbreak of the Covid-19 reaffirms that it is still the backbone Indian Economy. The bumper harvest and record procurement during the pandemic has only been the bright spot during this unprecedented gloomy period. However, the exceptional performance of food grain production needs to be complemented with robust post harvest management systems so as to reap the maximum benefits. As per one of estimates, the post-harvest losses in India for food grains amounts to more than 20 million tons per year, approximately 10% of the total food grains produced. Reducing post-harvest losses is considered as a major step towards food security. These losses have been largely attributed to poor infrastructural facility and unscientific methodologies followed for food grain storage in the country. In this background, NPC is organizing a webinar addressing the key issues and challenges in scientific storages in India. The deliberation would highlight the key concern areas and role of scientific storage in minimizing the post harvest losses.

**Webinar Coverage:-**

- Post harvest losses in India
- Challenges faced in food Grain Storages
- Prevalent system of food grain Storages
- National policy on handling, storage and transportation of food grains
- Present Scientific Storage systems
- Opportunities in scientific storage & way forward

**Speaker Profile**

Dr. Ashok Kumar has obtained his post graduate degree in chemistry from Meerut University, Meerut in 1971 and Ph.D. in chemistry from the same university in 1989. He has retired from the post of Deputy Commissioner (Storage & Research) in the Department of Food and Public Distribution, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, Government of India in 2010 and has worked in various capacities in this Department for more than 37 years. He was associated with the drafting of National Policy on Handling, Storage and Transportation of Food grains for creation of modern silos and bulk handling and transportation facilities in the country through private sector participation. He was also associated with the Core Group appointed by the Department of Food and PD, Government of India for drafting the Warehousing (Development& Regulation) Bill which was passed by the Parliament during 2007 for introducing a negotiable warehouse receipt system in the country.



**Register to learn:**

- **Overview of Post Harvest losses & its Historical Perspective in India**
- **Present Status of losses in food Grains & areas of concern**
- **Govt. of India Initiatives taken towards minimizing Post Harvest Losses**
- **Understanding of Scientific Storage for Food grains**
- **Best Practices under Scientific Storages**
- **Challenges & opportunities in Scientific Storages in India**

**Date: - 25-09-2020**

**Time Slot: - From 11:00 To 12:30 (Forenoon)**

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