

## Milestones

- 1930 • Statistical Section created under ICAR
- 1940 • Activities of the Section increased with appointment of Dr. PV Sukhatme
- 1945 • Re-organisation of statistical section into statistical branch as a centre for research and training in the field of Agricultural Statistics
- 1949 • Re-named as Statistical Wing of ICAR
- 1952 • Activities of Statistical Wing further expanded and diversified with the recommendations of FAO experts, Dr. Frank Yates and Dr. DJ Finney
- 1955 • Statistical Wing moved to its present campus
- 1956 • Collaboration with AICRP initiated
- 1959 • Re-designated as Institute of Agricultural Research Statistics (IARS)
- 1964 • Installation of IBM 1620 Model-II Electronic Computer
  - Signing of MOU with IARI, New Delhi to start new courses for M.Sc. and Ph.D. degree in Agricultural Statistics
- 1970 • Status of a full fledged Institute in the ICAR system, headed by Director
- 1977 • Three storeyed Computer Centre Building inaugurated
  - Installation of third generation computer system, Burroughs B-4700
- 1978 • Re-named as Indian Agricultural Statistics Research Institute (IASRI)
- 1983 • Identified as Centre of Advanced Studies in Agricultural Statistics and Computer Applications under the aegis of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
- 1985–86 • New Course leading to M.Sc. degree in Computer Application in Agriculture, initiated
- 1989 • Commercialization of SPAR 1
- 1991 • Burroughs B-4700 system replaced by a Super Mini COSMOS LAN Server
- 1992 • Administration-cum-Training Block of the Institute was inaugurated
- 1993–94 • M.Sc. degree in Computer Application in Agriculture changed to M.Sc. (Computer Application)
- 1995 • Center of Advanced Studies in Agricultural Statistics & Computer Application established by Education Division, ICAR
- 1996 • Establishment of Remote Sensing & GIS lab with latest software facilities
  - Outside funded projects initiated

- 1997
  - Senior Certificate Course in 'Agricultural Statistics and Computing' revived
  - Establishment of modern computer laboratories
  - First software in India for generation of design along with its randomised layout SPBD release 1.0
- 1998
  - Four Divisions of the Institute re-named as Sample Survey, Design of Experiments, Biometrics and Computer Applications
  - Revolving Fund Scheme on Short Term Training Programs in Information Technology initiated
  - Training programmes in statistics for non-statisticians in National Agricultural Research System initiated
- 1999
  - Strengthening of LAN & Intranet with Fibre optics & UTP cabling
  - Substantial growth in outside funded projects and training programmes
- 2000
  - Two Divisions re-named as Division of Forecasting Techniques and Division of Econometrics
- 2001
  - Data Warehousing activities (INARIS project under NATP) initiated
- 2002
  - Establishment of National Information System on Animal Experiments Laboratory
  - Development of PIMSNET(Project Information Management System on Internet) for NATP
- 2003
  - Establishment of National Information System on Long-term Fertilizer Experiments funded by AP Cess Fund
  - Development of PERMISnet (A software for Online Information on Personnel Management in ICAR System)
  - First indigenously developed software on windows platform released Statistical Package for Factorial Experiments (SPFE) 1.0
- 2004
  - National Information System on Agricultural Education (NISAGENET) Project launched
  - Training Programme for private sector initiated and conducted training programme for E.I. DuPont India Private Limited
  - E-Library Services Initiated
- 2005
  - Statistical Package for Augmented Designs (SPAD) and Statistical Package for Agricultural Research (SPAR) 2.0 released
  - Design Resources Server with an aim to provide E-advisory in NARS initiated
  - Strengthening of Reproductive Lab with colour photocopier
  - Installation of Digital Telephone Exchange
- 2006
  - Organisation of International Conference on Statistics and Informatics in Agricultural Research