

## 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 1.0
- 1991 • Burroughs B-4700 system replaced by a Super Mini COSMOS LAN Server
- 1992 • Administration-cum-Training Block of the Institute inaugurated
- 1993–94 • M.Sc. degree in Computer Application in Agriculture changed to M.Sc. in Computer Application
- 1995 • Centre 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 Programme 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 • 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)

2004	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First indigenously developed software on windows platform Statistical Package for Factorial Experiments (SPFE) 1.0 released</li> <li>• National Information System on Agricultural Education (NISAGENET) Project launched</li> <li>• Training Programme for private sector initiated and conducted training programme for E.I. DuPont India Private Limited</li> <li>• E-Library Services initiated</li> </ul>
2005	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Statistical Package for Augmented Designs (SPAD) and Statistical Package for Agricultural Research (SPAR) 2.0 released</li> <li>• Design Resources Server with an aim to provide E-advisory in NARS initiated</li> </ul>
2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Organisation of International Conference on Statistics and Informatics in Agricultural Research</li> </ul>
2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Establishment of Agricultural Bioinformatics Laboratory (ABL)</li> </ul>
2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Software for Survey Data Analysis (SSDA) 1.0 released</li> </ul>
2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Golden Jubilee Celebration Year of the Institute</li> <li>• Strengthening Statistical Computing for NARS initiated</li> <li>• Expert System on Wheat Crop Management launched</li> <li>• International Training Hostel inaugurated</li> </ul>
2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Establishment of National Agricultural Bioinformatics Grid (NABG) in ICAR initiated</li> <li>• Division of Biometrics re-named as Division of Biometrics and Statistical Modelling</li> <li>• Division of Forecasting Techniques and Division of Econometrics merged to form Division of Forecasting and Econometrics Techniques</li> <li>• A new centre namely Centre for Agricultural Bioinformatics [CABin] created</li> </ul>
2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maize AgriDaksh and Expert System on Seed Spices launched</li> <li>• Indian NARS Statistical Computing Portal initiated</li> <li>• M.Sc. degree in Bioinformatics initiated</li> </ul>
2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Software for Survey Data Analysis (SSDA) 2.0 released</li> <li>• Division of Biometrics and Statistical Modelling re-named as Division of Statistical Genetics</li> <li>• Division of Forecasting &amp; Econometrics Techniques re-named as Division of Forecasting &amp; Agricultural System Modeling</li> <li>• Development of Management Information System (MIS) including Financial Management System (FMS) in ICAR initiated</li> <li>• Half-Yearly Progress Monitoring (HYPM) System in ICAR implemented</li> <li>• Sample Survey Resources Server initiated</li> </ul>
2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• High Performance Computing (HPC) System for Biological Computing established</li> <li>• Ph.D. degree in Computer Application initiated</li> <li>• Certified as ISO 9001:2008 (Quality Management System) Institute</li> </ul>
2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advanced Supercomputing Hub for OMICS Knowledge in Agriculture (ASHOKA) inaugurated</li> <li>• ICAR-ERP system implemented</li> <li>• Ph.D. degree in Bioinformatics initiated</li> <li>• IASRI Campus Wi-Fi enabled</li> <li>• ICAR Data Centre, Unified Communication and Web Hosting Services for ICAR started</li> <li>• FAO Sponsored Study under the Global Strategy for Improvement of Agricultural Statistics initiated</li> </ul>
2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• KRISHI (<a href="http://krishi.icar.gov.in/">http://krishi.icar.gov.in/</a>) Knowledge based Resources Information Systems Hub for Innovations in agriculture portal has been launched as a centralized data repository system of ICAR.</li> <li>• ICAR-IASRI has been declared as National Level Agency (NLA) under MIDH (Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture).</li> <li>• ICAR Data Centre established at IASRI acquired the certification for ISO/IEC 20000 and ISO/IEC 27001 for IT-service management and information security legislation respectively.</li> </ul>