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# INTEGRATIVE AGROECOLOGY

AN AYUSH PERSPECTIVE ON HEALTH, SUSTAINABILITY, AND MEDICINAL PLANT CONSERVATION

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TIME: 11.00 AM – 12.45 PM VENUE: HALL NO. 5

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## AGROECOLOGY FROM AN AYUSH PERSPECTIVE

Agroecology has emerged as a science, practice, and social movement responding to soil degradation, biodiversity loss, climate stress, and the limitations of chemical-intensive agriculture. From an AYUSH perspective, agroecology reflects a regenerative and culturally rooted approach drawn from Ayurveda, Siddha, Unani, and Sowa-Rigpa. These systems emphasize balance, ecological harmony, and resilience, aligning closely with planetary health principles and the UN Green Agenda 2030.

## STRATEGIC PRIORITY: SUSTAINABLE MEDICINAL PLANT CULTIVATION

Rising global demand for herbal medicines has placed increasing pressure on wild medicinal plant resources, necessitating a shift toward sustainable, farm-based systems. AYUSH-integrated agroecology promotes ecological landscaping, organic cultivation, and local nursery development to conserve threatened species, reduce forest extraction, strengthen ethical and traceable supply chains, and enhance farmer and green-entrepreneur livelihoods. This transition is essential for ensuring the long-term sustainability, quality, and safety of AYUSH raw materials.



## WHAT THE IAGE 2026 AGROECOLOGY PROGRAMME OFFERS

The programme integrates policy, science, and field practice. A policy-focused keynote establishes the relevance of agroecology within AYUSH health systems, followed by applied sessions on eco-scaping

with medicinal plants in the UAE, organic agriculture experiences from India, school-based green awareness initiatives, and nursery development of medicinal plants native to the UAE. Short paper presentations highlight emerging research and community-led innovations.

TIME	ACTIVITY	SPEAKER
11.00-11.05AM	WELCOME ADDRESS	DR. LEKSHMI SAJITH PAI, Siddha Physician, Sharjah.
11.06-11.10AM	OPENING REMARKS	DR. G. SENTHILVEL, Director, National Institute of Siddha (NIS), Chennai.
11.11-11.25AM	KEYNOTE ADDRESS	DR. G. SIVARAMAN, Siddha Physician & Member, TN State Planning Commission, Chennai.
11.26-11.35AM	ECO-SCAPING WITH MEDICINAL PLANTS IN THE UAE	PROF. G. HARIRAMAMURTHI, Emeritus Professor, EcoScape India, TDU, Bangalore.
11.36-11.45AM	ORGANIC AGRICULTURE EXPERIENCES FROM KARNATAKA, INDIA	MR. SANTOSH SUTTAR, Chief Executive, Vanaloka, Bangalore.
11.46-11.55AM	GARDENING FOR GREEN AGENDA AWARENESS IN A UAE SCHOOL	MR. JOHNSON S., Consultant, GEMS Modern Academy, Dubai.
11.56AM -12.05PM	NURSERY DEVELOPMENT FOR MEDICINAL PLANTS NATIVE TO THE UAE	MR. SAI VIJAY, Managing Director, Green Growers & Landscaping PLC, Dubai.
12.06 -12.35PM	SHORT PAPER PRESENTATIONS (4 NOS.)	Papers to be presented, 8 mins. each.
12.36 -12.40PM	CLOSING REMARKS	DR. N.J. MUTHU KUMAR, Director General, Central Council for Research in Siddha, Chennai.
12.41 -12.45PM	VOTE OF THANKS	DR. VANEETA SHAHANI, Secretary, 3 <sup>rd</sup> IACE, Homeopathy, Dubai.