

OBITUARY



Prof. Yash Paal Abrol

1935-2020

Prof. Yash Pal Abrol, renowned crop physiologist (retd) from IARI, New Delhi, and the doyen of Indian nitrogen research, passed away peacefully at the age of 84, after 3 days of hospitalization in Gurgaon. He was well known for his screening of Mexican wheat varieties suitable for Indian roti and chapati purposes. His N balance sheet for wheat and barley formed the basis for optimal N fertilizer recommendations for farmers. His professional legacy lives on in the Society for Conservation of Nature and the Sustainable India Trust, which he established and nurtured till his last day. His most recent contribution was the Indian Nitrogen Assessment (2017), which led the Indian govt to pilot the first ever UN resolution on Sustainable Nitrogen Management in March 2019. His passing away on the World Nature Conservation Day will forever be remembered as a day for rededicating all our efforts for the cause of nature conservation and sustainable development.

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