**ICUMSA and Pakistan, A brief note on 30th ICUMSA Session 2016.**

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**Abstract.**

ICUMSA (International Commission for Uniform Methods of Sugar Analysis) is a world-wide body which brings together the activities of the National Committees for Sugar Analysis in more than thirty member countries. Certainly Pakistan, ranking 5th for sugarcane cultivation area, is not the member of this highly influential body. 30th ICUMSA session was held at Warsaw (Poland), 8th to 10th June 2016. It was my opportunity to participate in the same on invitation of ICUMSA President Mr. Geoff Parkin. My participation at ICUMSA was an honor for me and my country. I was invited, since Hamna method (Pakistani Method) of Fiber % Cane determination, was considered for Icumsa collaborative study. This method was developed in Pakistan and originally presented at PSST annual conventions 2011 & follow-up paper at 2012 convention and at 2013 ISSCT congress. This method was sent to ICUMSA they considered it and incorporated in the collaborative study. At Warsaw session referee of Icumsa GS-5, presented her report on the cane fiber subject. Findings and recommendations of her report were very encouraging. She initially recommended considering Hamna method as part of the ICUMSA book along with other methods of collaborative study. The President and General Secretary of ICUMSA suggested that a wider collaborative study is to be conducted for Berding & Pollock method and Hamna method and referee should present her findings at next ICUMSA session 2018, that which method is more accurate and appropriate to consider as part of book. On invitation of Icumsa President, I also participated in Executive Committee meeting. Participation in ICUMSA session was a great experience for me and my country. This presentation at PSST is to share my experience and knowledge with colleague technologists and to amplify the need of making and registering national committee with ICUMSA.

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