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## About ACFI

Agro Chem Federation of India (ACFI) is a dynamic policy platform representing 65- 70% of the Indian agrochemical industry. We partner with academic institutions, farmer associations, government, and non-government departments to promote sustainability in agriculture and support the agro-based industry.

We are dedicated to promoting the safe and judicious use of agrochemicals and eco-friendly technologies and products. We educate farmers on the proper use of crop protection chemicals to achieve higher yields and better crop quality, emphasizing the correct dosage, timely application, appropriate methodology, and the use of PPE for safety.





# Chairman's Message



I take this opportunity to thank you for your overwhelming support to ACFI and me for the last 3 years under my chairmanship. ACFI has gradually established itself as a true platform for policy intervention both at national and state levels and has become a vocal flag-bearer for the Indian Crop Protection Chemical Industry in a transparent, inclusive, and proactive manner.

We also thank all our esteemed members for assisting and guiding our association through various policy interventions and our other initiatives such as educating farmers and improving the image of the pesticide industry through Kisan Kalyan Karyakram.

We hope to maintain the same relationship and look forward to getting your support to continue to make efforts with the same zeal to take ACFI to further heights in the days ahead.

**Parikshit Mundhra**  
Chairman, ACFI





# General Secretary's Message



Agro Chem Federation of India (ACFI) as an industry body, is keen to facilitate the agrochemical industry, be it on the policy front or other various initiatives for the overall benefit of the industry and farming community.

We strongly reiterate our commitment to society as ever, dedicated to promoting the safe and judicious use of Agrochemicals as we work towards the sustainability of the Indian agriculture sector. We have taken up an awareness campaign among the farmers for purchasing genuine Crop Protection Chemical against the invoice, safe use in the field and disposal of used containers to remain environment friendly.

We appreciate our members, non-members, government officials and other stakeholders in the agriculture fraternity for their patronage and relentless support which have made ACFI a leading policy platform.

**Abhijit Bose**  
General Secretary, ACFI





## Director General's Message



We appreciate our members, non-members, and other stakeholders for supporting ACFI in our policy endeavors. We also appreciate CCFI, CLI, PMFAI, CII, and FICCI for joint working with us on many Policy interventions.

We have engaged ourselves with Academic Institutions, Farmer Associations, Associated Government and non-government Departments, to achieve Sustainability in Agriculture for the overall benefit of the Agro-based Industry. We are also actively working towards the advancement of the Agriculture sector, keeping up with Government policies, policy interventions, Registration Committee meetings, etc.

We have started the stewardship program “Jago Kisan Jago” to educate and aware the farmers about the good practices while buying storing and using crop protection chemicals. We ran the campaign in 2000 villages in Haryana, Maharashtra, Telangana and Andhra Pradesh. Now we shall organize such awareness campaigns in other states as well.

On behalf of ACFI, I would like to extend our regards to all our Members for their overwhelming support. We are delighted to work closely with you and hope to have your continued support and cooperation as ever.

**Dr. Kalyan Goswami**  
Director General, ACFI



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# Governing Council



Parikshit Mundhra  
Chairman  
(Willowood Chemicals Ltd.)



Dr. Suresh Ramachandran  
Vice Chairman  
(Sumitomo Chemical India Ltd.)



Abhijit Bose  
General Secretary  
(Tagros Chemicals India Pvt. Ltd.)



RD Kapoor  
Joint Secretary  
(PI Industries Ltd.)



Sanjay Aggarwal  
Treasurer  
(Indogulf CropScience Ltd.)



RG Agarwal  
Member  
(Dhanuka Agritech Ltd.)



Atul Churiwal  
Member  
(Krishi Rasayan Exports Pvt. Ltd)



Keshav Anand  
Member  
(Parijat Industries India Pvt. Ltd.)



Bhavesh Shah  
Member  
(GSP Crop Science Pvt. Ltd.)



Ankur Aggarwal  
Member  
(Crystal Crop Protection Ltd.)



Dr. KN Singh  
Member  
(Gharda Chemicals Ltd.)



Raju Kapoor  
Member  
(FMC India Ltd.)



NK Rajavelu  
Member  
(Godrej Agrovet Ltd.)



Huzefa Khurakiwala  
Member  
(Biostadt India Ltd.)



Sanjay Jhaver  
Member  
(Tropical Agrosystem (India) Pvt. Ltd.)



Abhishek Aggarwal  
Member  
(BR Agrotech Ltd.)



SK Chaudhary  
Member  
(Safex Chemicals India Ltd.)



Dinkar Joshi  
Member  
(Shriram Fertilisers & Chemicals)



# Special Interest Groups

## Technical & Regulatory Committee

- **P.J Suresh, Bayer CropScience Ltd. (Chairman)**
- **R.D Kapoor, PI Industries Ltd. (Mentor)**
- Dr. Arpita Roy, Adama India Pvt. Ltd.
- Abhijit Todkari, Albaugh LLC
- Dr. Ranjesh Singh, Bharat Certis Agri Science Ltd.
- Tariq Anwar, Bharat Certis Agri Science Ltd.
- Sushil Kumar Mishra, Crystal Crop Protection Ltd.
- Girish Ahuja, Crystal Crop Protection Ltd.
- Vishwanath Gade, Coromandel International Ltd.
- S.K Pal, Chambal Fertilizers & Chemicals Ltd.
- Dr. Ajeet Tomar, Dhanuka Agritech Ltd.
- Deepa Batra, FMC India Ltd.
- Chirag Patel, FMC India Ltd.
- Dr. Pinki Bhandari, Gharda Chemicals Ltd.
- Sushil Gather, Godrej Agrovvet Ltd.
- Alok Paliwal, GSP Crop Science Ltd.
- Snehal Desai, Hikal Ltd.
- Dr. Uday Srivastava, Ichiban Crop Science Ltd.
- Sanjay Chaudhary, Indogulf Crop Sciences Pvt. Ltd.
- Prajwal Nalawade, Indofil Industries Pvt. Ltd.
- Jitendra Pathak, Indofil Industries Pvt. Ltd.
- Suresh Pithlera, Krishi Rasayan Exports Pvt. Ltd.
- Tilak Raj Arora, Mahamaya LifeSciences Pvt. Ltd.
- Rameshwar Rattan, Mahindra Summit Agritech Ltd.
- Dr. Priyanka Sharma, Mahindra Summit Agritech Ltd.
- Anju Sharma, Mankind Agritech Ltd.
- Dr. A. Kuppusamy, NACL Industries Ltd.
- Chandramohana TG, NATCO Pharma Ltd.
- Gaurao Paliwal, Parijat Industries India Pvt. Ltd.
- Vandana Takhi, Parijat Industries India Pvt. Ltd.



- Praful Bhamre, PI Industries Ltd.
- Dr. Amitava Sanyal, Sumitomo Chemicals Ltd.
- Amit Kumar, Sumitomo Chemicals Ltd.
- Rajesh Dhawan, Syngenta India Ltd.
- Dr. Manish Jain, Syngenta India Ltd.
- Rajesh Mathew, Tagros Chemicals India Pvt. Ltd.
- Tarak Chakraborty, Tropical Agrosystem (India) Pvt. Ltd.
- Sanjay Singh, Willowood Chemicals Ltd.
- Mayank Singhal, Willowood Chemicals Ltd.

### **Policy Committee**

- **R.D Kapoor, PI Industries Ltd. (Chairman)**
- Rajvir Rathi, Bayer CropScience Ltd.
- RG Agarwal, Dhanuka Agritech Ltd.
- Raju Kapoor, FMC India Ltd.
- Jitendra Mohan, Willowood Chemicals Ltd.

### **Secretariat Committee**

- **Abhijit Bose, Tagros Chemicals India Pvt. Ltd. (Chairman)**
- Sanjay Aggarwal, Indogulf Crop Sciences Pvt. Ltd
- Dr. Suresh Ramachandran, Sumitomo Chemical India Ltd
- Sanjay Jhaver, Tropical Agrosystem (India) Pvt. Ltd.

### **Kisan Kalyan Karyakram Committee**

- **RG Agarwal, Dhanuka Agritech Ltd. (Chairman)**
- Sameer Saluja, Albaugh LLC
- Purnajit Bhowmick, Crystal Crop Protection
- Jaman Talavia, Dharmaj Crop Guard Ltd.
- Soni Mumgai, FMC India Ltd.
- Anil Choubey, Godrej Agroveto Ltd.
- Deepakbhai Patel, GSP Crop Science Ltd.
- Alok Palival, GSP Crop Science Ltd.
- Vandana Takhi, Parijat Industries India Pvt. Ltd.



# Minutes of 6th Annual General Meeting

Date: 6th September 2023

Venue: Hyatt Regency, New Delhi

## Agenda:

Duration	Agenda	By
02:30 - 02:40 PM	Welcome Address	Director General, ACFI
02:40 - 02:50 PM	Opening Remarks	Chairman, ACFI
02:50 - 02:55 PM	Confirmation of MoM of the 5th AGM	Director General, ACFI
02:55 – 03:10 PM	Annual Report Presentation	General Secretary, ACFI
03:10 - 03:25 PM	Technical Report Presentation	Chairman- Technical and Regulatory Committee, ACFI
03:25 - 03:40 PM	Kisan Kalyan Report Presentation	Chairman - Kisan Kalyan Committee, ACFI
03:40 – 03:45 PM	Balance Sheet FY 2022-23	Treasurer, ACFI
03:45 - 03:50 PM	Appointment of Auditor for FY 2023-24	Director General, ACFI
03:50 - 04:00 PM	ACFI Budget FY 2023-24	Director General, ACFI
04:00- 04:05 PM	Resolution: To Increase the Number of GC Positions (from 11-15)	Director General, ACFI
04:05 – 04:35 PM	Election / Selection of New Governing Council	General Body
04:35 – 04:50 PM	Election/ Selection of Management Committee (Chairman, Vice Chairman, General Secretary, Joint Secretary & Treasurer)	New Governing Council
04:50- 05:00 PM	Vote of Thanks	New Chairman, ACFI



The 6th Annual General Meeting of ACFI was held on September 6, 2023, at Hotel Hyatt Regency, New Delhi from 2:30 PM onwards. The list of attendees is in Annexure 1. The discussions and decisions taken by the members are mentioned below:

- Dr. Kalyan Goswami, Director General, ACFI began the meeting after ensuring the quorum and welcomed the General Body members to the 6th Annual General Meeting of ACFI. He thanked all the members for their support and the Governing Council for their guidance in doing a commendable job in policy and stewardship front. He has requested all the members to be proactive and participate more. He further mentioned that in the last two years, under the guidance of our Chairman Shri Parikshit Mudhra, ACFI has maintained the compliance norms, and streamlined the operation.
- He briefed the general body on the elaborate agenda for the day and requested Shri Parikshit Mudhra, Chairman ACFI to deliver his opening remarks.
- Shri Parikshit Mudhra has welcomed the general body. He mentioned that it has been a long journey in establishing ACFI and today ACFI is by far the most diverse and democratic association in the industry as we have manufacturers, formulators, exporters, MNCs & key Indian players as our members. Further, he has appreciated all the governing council members' constant support. He has thanked Shri Jitendra Mohan, Chairman, Technical & Regulatory Committee for his contribution to the association and apprised the ACFI secretariat for their efforts and teamwork. He also appreciated the Chairman Secretariat Committee & Chairman Kisan Kalyan Committee for their time, support & cooperation.

- **Confirmation of MoM of the 5th AGM**

Dr. Kalyan Goswami, Director General, ACFI has sought confirmation on the Minutes of the 5th Annual General Meeting on 9th September 2022, New Delhi. The Minutes were approved by Shri Atul Churiwal and seconded by Shri SK Chaudhary with the concurrence of all the members.

- **ACFI Annual Report Presentation:**

Shri Abhijit Bose, General Secretary, ACFI has mentioned that ACFI is doing exceptionally well in this sector, we have completed 6 years and have established itself as the true platform for policy interventions and a vocal flag-waver for the entire Indian Agro Chemical Industry., ACFI has gained popularity in the industry/ Government (State & Centre). This association was started with just 15 members and



today ACFI has 35 PAN India members (Indian and Multinationals).

ACFI is dedicated to promoting the safe and judicious use of Agrochemicals as we work toward the sustainability of Indian Agriculture. To achieve the same we have partnered with many Academic Institutions, Farmer Associations, Associated Government & Non-Government Departments, etc.

We are also actively working towards the advancement of the Agriculture sector, keeping up with Government policies, policy interventions, Registration Committee meetings, etc.

Further, he appreciated the achievement of the ACFI Technical and Regulatory Committee led by Shri Jitendra Mohan who has done tremendous work during last year and achieved various milestones. He also appreciated ACFI secretariat for their work.

We have started the stewardship program “Kisan Kalyan Karyakram” to educate and aware the farmers about the good practices while buying storing and using crop protection chemicals. We ran the campaign in 2000 villages in Haryana, Maharashtra, and Telangana. He also appreciated all the work done by the Kisan Kalyan committee and special help and guidance from Shri RG Agarwal.

Lastly, he welcomed, the new members of ACFI

1. Albaugh LLC
2. BR Agrotech Ltd.
3. Dharmaj Crop Guard Ltd

- **Technical & Regulatory Committee Meeting Report:**

Shri Jitendra Mohan, Chairman, of the Technical & Regulatory Committee, ACFI briefed the members about the overall achievements to date at various platforms and shared his suggestions for the working of the Technical & Regulatory Committee in the future.

#### **Initiatives of ACFI**

Stay on implementation of gazette notification for Restriction on Use of Glyphosate Order, 2022 for its use by pest control operators by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi on the basis of the writ petition filed by ACFI.

Amendment in Chemistry data requirement in guidelines for registration of formulation containing more than 2 active ingredients by amending the requirement of a single method of analysis for determination of active ingredient content and data on chemical interaction.



**Reforms related to ease of doing business:**

- To allow commercialization in case of Technical Import and Formulation Import provisionally registered in 9(3B).
- Simplifying certain procedures of endorsements at CIB to facilitate ease of doing business.
- Simplifying certain procedures of CIB relating to the validity of import registration certificates to facilitate ease of doing business.

**Formation of 3 task forces of technical pertaining to:**

- Dealing with policy-related issues at the level of DA&FW
- Dealing with matters at the level of CIB&RC
- Dealing with guidelines for registration of biostimulants

**Other Activities of the Technical & Regulatory Committee**

Submission of stakeholder comments on various draft gazette notifications and public notices issued from time to time.

Update on Quality Control Order issued by BIS.

Participation in a meeting called by DPIIT to discuss the issue of regulatory data protection and patent regime in India.

Discussion on operational issues at the level of CIB&RC and action plan to deal with them.

- **Kisan Kalyan Karyakram Report Presentation:**

Shri Ajeet Tomar, Member, Kisan Kalyan Committee, presented the activities done by ACFI from Sept 2022- July 2023 under the following categories:

Jago Kisan Jago Campaign  
 Perception Management Program  
 Social Media Campaign  
 Live Farmers' Meetings  
 Farmer Testimonies

**OBJECTIVE:**

To educate the farmers and spread the message that by using the right pesticides their crop yield will increase significantly.

To buy agrochemicals with GST Bill only.



To consult the KVK Scientists, Agriculture officers, and Agri university professors before buying any product.

To use the agrochemicals judiciously as prescribed in the product leaflet.

To create awareness against misbranded and counterfeit products with the help of the government.

To burst the myths against the use of Agrochemicals.

The same was appreciated by the Governing body unanimously.

- **To Appoint an Auditor for the year 2023-24**

As per the statutory requirements, Dr. Kalyan Goswami proposed that DEVESH PAREKH & CO. may be appointed as the statutory associates of the society.

- **Balance Sheet 2022-23 Presentation:**

Shri Sanjay Aggarwal, Treasurer, ACFI presented the Audited Balance Sheet and Statement of Income and expenditure account as on March 31, 2023, the same was placed before the board for their approval and was approved by Shri Keshav Anand with the concurrence of other members.

- **Budget for FY 2023-24**

Dr. Kalyan Goswami, Director General, ACFI presented ACFI Budget for FY 2023-24, which has been already approved by the Governing Council, but as per section 4C of the Society Act, this needs concurrence of the General Body. Shri Parikshit Mundhra approved the same with the concurrence of other members.

- **Resolution: To Increase the Number of GC Positions (from 11-15)**

Dr. Kalyan Goswami, Director General, ACFI proposed to raise the number of GC Positions from 11 to 15, as we have had more members since the inception. He informed the gathering that this issue was raised in the last governing council meeting and was approved by all the members and to implement the same we need concurrence from the General Body. The General Body has approved the same.

- **Election / Selection of New Governing Council**

Dr. Kalyan Goswami announced the election for the Governing Council 2023-25, he announced the names of the 12 valid nominations received from the member companies.



Elected members of the Governing Council are as follows:

S. No	Member Company	GC Member
1	Crystal Crop Protection Ltd.	Mr. Ankur Aggarwal
2	Dhanuka Agritech Ltd.	Mr. RG Agarwal
3	FMC India	Mr. Raju Kapoor
4	Gharda Chemicals Ltd.	Dr. KN Singh
5	GSP Crop Science Pvt. Ltd.	Mr. Bhavesh V. Shah
6	Indogulf Crop Sciences Ltd.	Mr. Sanjay Aggarwal
7	Krishi Rasayan Exports Pvt. Ltd.	Mr. Atul Churiwal
8	Parijat Industries India Pvt. Ltd.	Mr. Keshav Anand
9	PI Industries Ltd.	Mr. R D Kapoor
10	Sumitomo Chemical India Ltd.	Mr. Suresh Ramachandran
11	Tagros Chemicals India Pvt. Ltd.	Mr. Abhijit Bose
12	Willowood Chemicals Ltd.	Mr. Parikshit Mundhra

- **Formation of New Management Committee:**

Shri Keshav Anand proposed that the same management committee continue FY 2023-25 the same was seconded by Shri RG Agarwal and supported by the general body.

The ACFI Secretariat welcomed and felicitated the new Management Committee:

Chairman	Shri Parikshit Mundhra, Willowood Chemicals Ltd.
Vice Chairman	Shri Suresh Ramachandran, Sumitomo Chemicals India Ltd.
General Secretary	Shri Abhijit Bose, Tagros Chemicals India Pvt. Ltd.
Joint Secretary	Shri RD Kapoor, PI Industries Ltd.
Treasurer	Shri Sanjay Aggarwal, Indogulf Crop Science Pvt. Ltd.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks from Shri Parikshit Mundhra, Chairman, ACFI, he thanked all the members for re-electing him as the new Chairman of ACFI for the next two years and trusting him with the responsibility of running the association. He ensured his contribution, and commitment towards the association and taking ACFI to a new height.



# Minutes of 9th Governing Council Meeting

Date: 5th October 2023

Venue: Office – Dhanuka Agritech Ltd., Gurgaon

Time: 2:00 PM onwards

The 9th Governing Council meeting of ACFI was held on 5th October 2023, at the office of Dhanuka Agritech Ltd. The List of attendees is in Annexure 1. The agenda and decisions taken by the members are mentioned below:

- Dr. Kalyan Goswami, Director General, ACFI initiated the meeting by welcoming all the attendees. He informed the members that this is more of a statutory meeting, and we need approval from the GC on various matters.
- Shri RG Agarwal shared the unfortunate news of the demise of Mrs. Kanak Aggarwal, Wife of Mr. NK Aggarwal sir and M/o Mr Ankur Aggarwal, Crystal Crop Protection and requested everyone to observe 2 minutes silence as an obituary.
- Shri Parikshit Mundhra, Chairman, ACFI has given his opening remarks and thanked Shri RG Agarwal for hosting the Governing Council Meeting. He welcomed all the attendees and mentioned that we now have most of the biggest Agrochemical industry players as our members and Corteva, Bharat Certis, ADAMA & BASF will also be joining ACFI soon.

Dr Kalyan Goswami has informed the members about the agenda of the GC meeting as follows:

- Confirmation of MoM of the last GC meeting
- ATR of the last GC meeting
- Discussion on Industry & Policy related issues
- Discussion on Kisan Kalyan Activity
- Nominating members in ACFI Governing Council
- Endorsement/ Re-construction of various SIG (Special Interest Group):
  - a) Technical and Regulatory Committee
  - b) Kisan Kalyan committee
  - c) Policy Committee
  - d) Secretariat Committee
- Any other issue with the permission of the chair
- Vote of Thanks



- **Confirmation of MoM of the last GC meeting held on 18.07.2023**

As the statutory requirement, Dr. Kalyan Goswami sought the confirmation on MoM of last GC Meeting held on 18.07.2023. The same was approved with the concurrence of all the members.

**ATR of the last GC meeting**

Dr. Kalyan Goswami updated the members on the action taken on the last GC meeting Agenda points.

S.No.	Agenda Point	Remarks
1	ACFI would deploy 10 vans in Telangana	Done
2	ACFI will hold its debate show in Mumbai & Chennai	Chennai- Jan 2024 Mumbai - April 2024
3	ACFI will prepare a white paper on India as the Export & Manufacturing Hub for Agrochemicals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• This was the theme in AGM</li><li>• There will be a round table in Nov 2023</li><li>• White Paper will be prepared accordingly</li></ul>
4	ACFI Will make a short video and a pocket booklet to educate the farmers on the dos and don'ts of using agrochemicals	Planned to be released in the next JKJ in March 2024

- **Discussion on Industry & Policy related issues.**

Shri P Suresh, Chairman, the Technical & Regulatory Committee, thanked the members for nominating him as the new chairman. He appreciated the Technical & Regulatory Committee's current work and their achievements. Further, he discussed the new nominations for the Technical & Regulatory Committee and suggested that we should make further subgroups for better functioning and ensure the timely delivery of the decisions taken.

- **Kisan Kalyan Activity Update (6 Month Plan)**

October- Kisan Sanghosti in Sirsa on the issue of Pink boll worm.

*ACFI will discuss this with the Kisan Kalyan Committee and will finalize further.*



**November-** Dealers Training Workshop, 3 districts of Gujarat State – Anand, Nadiad and Mahesana (20,21 &23 November)

*It will be held in the University of Anand & Mahesana (20 &23 November)*

**November-** Round-table conference with Prof. Ramesh Chand on Making India Export & Manufacturing Hub of Agrochemicals.

*It will be held in the month of November 2023 (27-30 Nov)*

**January-** Civil Society Debate show on Agrochemicals Myths v/s Facts in Chennai

*As discussed with GC this will be postponed till a joint meeting of the associations.*

**February-** Seminar on Container Disposal in Guntur

*Kisan Kalyan Committee will take the final decision.*

**March-** Jago Kisan Jago Campaign in Western UP

*Kisan Kalyan Committee will take the final decision.*

- **Nominating members in ACFI Governing Council**

The following members have been nominated for the Governing Council.

Nominated GC Members

Ø Shri NK Rajavelu, Godrej Agrovat Ltd.

Ø Shri Dinkar Joshi, Shriram Fertilisers & Chemicals

Ø Shri Sanjay Jhaver, Tropical Agrosystem (India) Pvt. Ltd.

Nominated Permanent Invitees

Ø Shri Abhishek Aggarwal, BR Agrotech Ltd.

Ø Shri SK Chaudhary, Safex Chemicals India Ltd.

Ø Shri Huzefa Khorkiwala, Biostadt India Ltd.

- **Endorsement/ Re-construction of various SIG (Special Interest Group):**

Technical and Regulatory Committee

- P Suresh, Bayer CropScience Ltd. (Chairman)
- RD Kapoor, PI Industries Ltd. (Mentor)
- Abhijit A Todkari, Albaugh LLC
- SK Pal, Chambal Fertilisers & Chemicals Ltd.
- Sushil Kumar Misra, Crystal Crop Protection



- Girish Ahuja, Crystal Crop Protection
- Dr. Ajeet Singh Tomar, Dhanuka Agritech Ltd.
- Deepa Kutharia, FMC India
- Sushil K Gather, Godrej Agrovet Ltd.
- Sanjay Chaudhary, Indogulf Crop Sciences Pvt. Ltd
- Dr. Rameshwar Singh Rattan, Mahindra Summit Agriscience
- Gaurao Paliwal, Parijat Industries India Pvt. Ltd
- Dr. Shekhar Varshney, Sumitomo Chemical India Ltd.
- Rajesh Dhawan, Syngenta India Ltd.
- Alok Palival, GSP Crop Science Ltd.
- Snehal Desai, Hikal Ltd.
- Prajval Nalavade, Indofil Industries Pvt. Ltd.
- Anju Sharma, Mankind Agritech Ltd.
- Rajesh Mathew, Tagros Chemicals India Pvt. Ltd.
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- Dr. Pinki Bhandhari, Gharda Chemicals Ltd.
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- Suresh Pitlehra, Krishi Rasayan Exports Pvt. Ltd.
- Dr. Uday Srivastava, Ichiban Crop Science Ltd.
- Praful Bhamre, PI Industries Ltd.

#### Kisan Kalyan committee

- RG Agarwal, Dhanuka Agritech Ltd. (Chairman)
- Sameer Saluja, Albaugh LLC
- Purnajit Bhowmick, Crystal Crop Protection
- Jaman Talavia, Dharmaj Crop Guard Ltd.
- Deepakbhai Patel, GSP Crop Science Ltd.
- Alok Palival, GSP Crop Science Ltd.
- Anil Choubey, Godrej Agrovet Ltd.
- Vandana Takhi, Parijat Industries Ltd
- Soni Mumgai, FMC India

#### Policy & Advocacy Committee

- RD Kapoor, PI Industries (Chairman)
- RG Agarwal, Dhanuka Agritech Ltd.
- Rajvir Rathi, Bayer CropScience Ltd.
- Raju Kapoor, FMC India
- Jitendra Mohan, Willowood Chemicals Ltd.

#### Secretariat Committee

- Abhijit Bose, Tagros Chemicals India P. Ltd (Chairman)



- Sanjay Aggarwal, Indogulf Crop Sciences Pvt. Ltd
- Dr. Suresh Ramachandran, Sumitomo Chemical India Ltd
- Sanjay Jhaver, Tropical Agrosystem (India) Pvt. Ltd.
- Any other points with the permission of the chair

Discussions on the impact of chemicals under the Rotterdam Convention with that of “market availability” of listed chemicals and “market availability of alternatives”

The GC has expressed its concern about the above and also apprehended the inclusion of many more molecules down the line.

b.It has been suggested to talk to other pesticide industry associations so that we all are on the same page.

It has also been suggested that ACFI Should take the lead in discussing with other agrochemical associations regarding:

- a.Label & Leaflet
- b.Glyphosate
- c.Regulatory Issues
- d.Operational Issues in CIBRC

ACFI will take up the issue of duplicate/ illegal/ smuggled agrochemicals with the Department of Agriculture & Department of Chemicals. The following will represent ACFI:

- a)RG Agarwal
- b)P. Suresh
- c)Raju Kapoor
- d)Abhishek Aggarwal
- e)Dr. Kalyan Goswami

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks from Shri Abhijit Bose, General Secretary, ACFI and thanked all the members for joining the meeting and he requested all the members to continue giving their support and input for the betterment of ACFI.



# Minutes of 10th Governing Council Meeting

Date: 17th January 2024

Venue: Office – PI Industries Ltd., Gurgaon

Time: 3:00 PM onwards

The 10th Governing Council meeting of ACFI was held on 17th January 2024, at the office of PI Industries Ltd. The List of attendees is in Annexure 1. The agenda and decisions taken by the members are mentioned below:

- Dr. Kalyan Goswami, Director General, ACFI initiated the meeting by welcoming all the attendees. He welcomed the new Governing Council members and thanked Shri Juzar Khorakiwala for joining the Meeting & Shri RD Kapoor for hosting the meeting.
- Shri Parikshit Mundhra, Chairman, ACFI has given his opening remarks and welcomed all the attendees. Further, he mentioned that since the last GC Meeting two major issues have been handled jointly by ACFI, CCFI, and CLI on Maharashtra Bill & Glyphosate. ACFI took the lead in both cases. Further, he informed the group that ADAMA will be joining ACFI by the end of January and we now have most of the biggest Agrochemical industry players as our members.

Dr. Kalyan Goswami has informed the members about the agenda of the GC meeting as follows:

- Confirmation of MoM of the last GC meeting
- ATR of the last GC meeting
- Discussion on Industry & Policy related issues
- How to Combat with the Import Irregularities
- Discussion on Kisan Kalyan Activity and Necessary Actions
- Any other point with the permission of the chair
- Vote of Thanks
- Confirmation of MoM of the last GC meeting held on 05.10.2023

As the statutory requirement, Dr. Kalyan Goswami sought the confirmation on MoM of the last GC Meeting held on 05.10.2023. The same was approved with the concurrence of all the members.

- ATR of the last GC meeting

Dr. Kalyan Goswami updated the members on the action taken on the last GC meeting Agenda points.



S.No	Agenda Point	Remarks
1	ACFI would deploy 5 vans in Guntur for the JKJ Campaign	Done
2	ACFI Should take the lead in arranging an inter-association meeting	Has been planned for Feb 2024
3	ACFI will take up the issue of duplicate/ illegal agrochemicals with the Department of Agriculture & Department of Chemical	Looking at the development in Maharashtra we are slow on this for the time being

- Discussion on Industry & Policy related issues.

Shri P Suresh, Chairman Technical & Regulatory Committee, ACFI, informed the members that ACFI has done 2 Technical and Regulatory meetings since the AGM and few meetings with the Department of Agriculture and the Department of Chemicals & Petro Chemicals.

ACFI did not participate in the meeting scheduled by the Department of Chemical & Petro Chemical held on 01.11.2023 to discuss the Production Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme for the chemical sector as it was opposed in ACFI 6th AGM.

ACFI also attended the recent CIBRC open house meeting regarding operations, policy-related issues, secretarial issues, import related issues about 1.5 months ago but the Minutes have not been published till now from the CIB&RC. ACFI shall write a letter to the Secretary, CIBRC regarding this.

Further, he mentioned that to make decision-making easy ACFI has created subgroups, under which if any questions or queries come up the nominated members will be contacted directly who know the subject & the problem on the state or central level so that we can get a quick response.

#### Meeting Agendas:

- Discussions on the impact of chemicals under the Rotterdam Convention with that of “market availability” of listed chemicals and “market availability of alternatives”

There are 54 Molecules in the list out of which 35 are agrochemicals but the list of these molecules is not there in the public domain. The only concern about the above apprehended was the inclusion of many more molecules down the line. the issue will only arise when these molecules will come under Annexure 3 as it will hamper the exports.



- **Extension of provisional registration time after Feb 2024**

February 2024 is the cutoff date for the provisional certificates of Bio-stimulants after that the companies will get Permanent Registration. The concern here is that if the permanent registration certificate is issued after 6 months or so how the companies will sell their products? There is a lot of ambiguity in terms of implementation and data generation to get the G certificate and there are many companies who are waiting for the final notification from the department to have some clarity. Keeping this in mind Feb 2024 is not a realistic timeline.

- **Label & Leaflet**

The only remaining issue is with the ultra-small packs - Two languages on the label are not practical. Accommodating one language itself is difficult if there are more crops/pests for a given product.

- **Glyphosate**

There are two main concerns in this case i) the number of PCOs in India and ii) Product Safety. Currently, there is no discussion on product safety and legalization.

- **Discussion on Revision in triangle color as per toxicity (w.r.t. recent board decision)**

According to the current classification majority of the agrochemicals are under the 'Blue' color in the Toxicology Chart due to the inappropriate classification resulting in no green chemistry being registered in India. There is an incomplete notice on the CIBRC website for color change in the toxicology triangle (half pages uploaded only). The concern is that it will also directly impact the export market of agro-chemicals.

- **Need for corrections in CRs after issuance**

It is an administrative issue of CIBRC. Certificates have no value as there were always some corrections in them after issuance. No verification was done before the issuance of the certificates.

- **Discussion on crop grouping & minor changes**

There is no pre-consultation with the minor changes

- **Issues related to the fixation of Maximum Residue Limits**

The issue of MRL proforma being asked for the products where MRL is already fixed. FSSAI to publish "provisional MRLs" on their website.



- **Issues related to the CROP Portal**

There are many issues related to the crop portal including the opening of accounts in the crop portal that have been frozen/deactivated for not doing KYC and migration/merger of data of other deactivated accounts with the activated account. Creating a new user account for unfreezing the account following the “One Company One account”.

- **Delays in R/O Endorsement of source/supplier name changes and Revalidation of the certificate (ESP Import certificate was expiry**

The process of endorsement takes 1- 1.5 years and difficult to maintain the supply of registered products. No provisional grant approval is there for such an application to maintain the supply. For fast-track approval in this category, there should be a DNA verification as soon as the application is received.

However, some of the agendas are in court for hearing and some are under process. Details are as follows:

Agenda	Mandate Date	Action to be taken	Status
Discussions on the impact of chemicals under Rotterdam Convention with that of “market availability” of listed chemicals and “market availability of alternatives”	18th October 2023	ACFI will talk to other pesticide industry associations.	Done
Extension of provisional registration time after Feb 2024	18th October 2023	Meeting with Dr. PK Singh, Agriculture Commissioner on to discuss the same and try to push the Feb 2024 deadline to March 2025.	Done
Label & Leaflet	18th October 2023, 14th December 2023, 18th December 2023, 20th December 2023	ACFI Secretariat will discuss it with the GC and will submit it to the department.	Done



Agenda	Mandate Date	Action to be taken	Status
Glyphosate	18th October 2023, 14th December 2023	ACFI will send a representation to the department on this by the end of November 2023.	Next hearing will be on 29th of Jan 2024
Discussion on Revision in triangle colour as per toxicity (w.r.t. recent board decision)	14th December 2023, 20th December 2023	ACFI should send a joint representation to CIBRC with CLI after following up with Dr. Jain	It was an error and will be shortly corrected BY CIBRC
Need for corrections in CR's after issuance	14th December 2023, 20th December 2023	ACFI will send a letter to CIBRC regarding administrative and IT issues. (Resolved in meeting with CIBRC on 20th Dec 2023)	Done
Discussion on crop grouping & minor changes	14th December 2023, 20th December 2023	ACFI will contact the government officials.	ADGPP has given the responsibility to FSSAI for finalising the same
Issues related to the fixation of Maximum Residue Limits	20th December 2023	ACFI will contact the government officials.	CIBRC already working with CCG to provide data access in CROP portal
Delays in R/O Endorsement of source / supplier name changes and Revalidation of certificate (ESP Import certificate where expiry)	14th December 2023, 20th December 2023	ACFI will contact the government officials.	The process is endorsement takes 1- 1.5 yrs time and difficult to main the supply of registered products.



Agenda	Mandate Date	Action to be taken	Status
Export of small quantity of samples for research and trial purposes	20th December 2023	ACFI will contact the government officials.	Agreed to the request to remote export.
Customs related issues.	20th December 2023	ACFI will contact the government officials.	It was agreed to frame a FAQ to minimize the queries raised by the Customs.

- **Discussion on Kisan Kalyan Activity and Necessary Actions**

Dr. Kalyan Goswami updated the members on the Jago Kisan Jago initiative partaken by ACFI over the last two years and shared the progress of the same. However, in light of the recent Maharashtra bill issue and its impact on industry, our campaign about genuine products is being misinterpreted as a campaign against spurious/illegal/counterfeit products.

The Governing Council unanimously suggested that we should stay away from any such press and need a cohesive and comprehensive plan to reinforce the positive image of our industry. ACFI will focus more on pakka bill to strengthen its Jago Kisan Jago Campaign.

ACFI Secretariate will share the revised plan for the same with GC.

- **Any other points with the permission of the chair**

ACFI will send a letter to CIB&RC regarding the delay in issuance of registration certificate, Pending approvals and other issues based on the data received from the member companies.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks from Shri Abhijit Bose, General Secretary, ACFI and thanked all the members for joining the meeting and requested all the members to continue giving their support and input for the betterment of ACFI.



# Minutes of 11th Governing Council Meeting

Date: 5th April 2024

Venue: Crystal Crop Protection Ltd.

Time: 2:30 PM onwards

The 11th Governing Council meeting of ACFI was held on 5th April 2024, at the office of Crystal Crop Protection Ltd. The List of attendees is in Annexure 1. The agenda and decisions taken by the members are mentioned below:

- Dr. Kalyan Goswami, Director General, ACFI initiated the meeting by welcoming all the attendees and thanked Shri Ankur Aggarwal for hosting the GC meeting. Further, he requested Willowood, Tagros, Crystal & Dhanuka for greater participation in the ACFI Technical & Regulatory Committee Meetings.
- Shri Parikshit Mundhra, Chairman, ACFI has given his opening remarks and welcomed all the attendees. Further, he informed the group that Coromandel will be joining ACFI soon and we now have most of the biggest Agrochemical industry players as our members.

Dr. Kalyan Goswami has informed the members about the agenda of the GC meeting as follows:

- Confirmation of MoM of the last GC meeting
- ATR of the last GC meeting
- Discussion on Industry & Policy related issues
- Discussion on Kisan Kalyan Activity for the year 2024-25
- Provisional P&L for FY 2023-24
- Discussion on Draft Budget for FY 2024-25
- Any other point with the permission of the chair
- Vote of Thanks
- Confirmation of MoM of the last GC meeting held on 17.01.2024.

As the statutory requirement, Dr. Kalyan Goswami sought the confirmation on MoM of the last GC Meeting held on 17.01.2024. The same was approved with the concurrence of all the members.

- ATR of the last GC meeting

Dr. Kalyan Goswami updated the members on the action taken on the last GC meeting Agenda points.



S.No	Agenda Point	Remarks
1	ACFI shall write a letter to the Secretary CIBRC highlighting all the operational issues	DONE and ACFI Delegates met the Sect. regarding this on 27.03.2024
2	ACFI will send a letter to CIB&RC regarding the delay in issuance of registration certificate, Pending approvals and other issues based on the data received from the member companies.	DONE and ACFI Delegates met the Sect. regarding this on 27.03.2024

- Discussion on Industry & Policy related issues.

Dr. Kalyan Goswami informed the members that in last year ACFI have had approximately 27 meetings including ACFI technical committee meetings, joint association meetings & Meetings with government officials.

Shri P Suresh, Chairman Technical & Regulatory Committee, ACFI, briefed the members on the various agendas taken up the meetings.

Agenda	Action to be taken as advised by the GC
Discussions on the impact of chemicals under Rotterdam Convention with that of “market availability” of listed chemicals and “market availability of alternatives”	ACFI will send industry inputs to IWG
Extension of provision registration time after Feb 2024	ACFI will send a combined letter to the authorities with BASAI & CLI
Sales of Crop Protection Chemicals through online mode	ACFI will Send the letter to the department emphasising the fact that it is obligation of the e-commerce entity to verify the validity of the license before engaging the licensee.
453 RC decision (agenda item no. 10.5) on the requirement of molecule in NABL accreditation	ACFI Technical team will work on this and will submit a letter to GC for Consideration



Agenda	Action to be taken as advised by the GC
Guidelines on biopesticide + insecticide (both fall under IA, 1968)	ACFI Technical team will work on Position paper
Sales of Pesticides through Vehicles for easy Delivery of Pesticides	ACFI will send this issue to the legal team for their opinion.
Discussion on guidelines for registration under import for export of the Export Category	ACFI will organise a special committee meeting before sending the representation
DCPC has recently issued a GSR asking the industry to submit of statistics on chemicals and petrochemicals on various facets including but not limited to production, installed capacity, export, import, sales and other related data of chemical and petrochemical sector mandatorily.	ACFI will submit a combined letter with CLI stating that this will be repetition of the data as the industry is already submitting the same to CIB&RC

- **Provisional P&L for FY 2023-24**

As per the statutory requirement, Dr. Kalyan Goswami presented the P&L for FY 2023-24. The same was approved with the concurrence of all the members.

- **Discussion on Draft Budget for FY 2024-25**

As the statutory requirement, Dr. Kalyan Goswami presented the secretariat committee-approved Budget for FY 2024-25. The same was approved with the concurrence of all the members.

- **Any other points with the permission of the chair**

ACFI Secretariat will make a yearly ATR of all our initiatives and their status and will present the same in the next GC.

Shri Abhijit Bose raised an issue that one industry company has been misleading the Assam tea planter saying that their product 2,4-D Amine salt is superior as it is registered as WSC, Whereas the rest of the products are under SL, which is a misleading statement as both of them are same. ACFI will request the CIB&RC to issue a clarification on this.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks from Shri Abhijit Bose, General Secretary, ACFI and thanked all the members for joining the meeting and requested all the members to continue giving their support and input for the betterment of ACFI.



# Minutes of 12th Governing Council Meeting

Date: 5th July 2024

Venue: FMC India Ltd.

Time: 2:00 PM onwards

The 12th Governing Council meeting of ACFI was held on 5th July 2024, at the office of FMC India Ltd. The List of attendees is in Annexure 1. The agenda and decisions taken by the members are mentioned below:

- Dr. Kalyan Goswami, Director General, ACFI initiated the meeting by welcoming all the attendees and thanked Shri Raju Kapoor, FMC India Ltd. for hosting the GC meeting. Further, he requested all the members to observe silence for a minute for the demise of Shri Abhijit Bose's (GS) Mother. He thanked all the GC members for their continued support. He further thanked Shri P Suresh for his constant support and guidance for the ACFI Technical & Regulatory Committee.
- Shri Parikshit Mundhra, Chairman, ACFI has given his opening remarks and welcomed all the attendees. Further, he informed the group on the various Joint Association meetings & initiatives taken by ACFI over last year including, PMB, Glyphosate, Maharashtra Bill issue, Decriminalisation, etc.

Dr. Kalyan Goswami has informed the members about the agenda of the GC meeting as follows:

- Confirmation of MoM of the last GC meeting
- ATR of the last GC meeting
- Activities of ACFI in the last 6 Months
- 3D Regulatory Reforms
- Discussion on AGM
- Any other point with the permission of the chair
  - Deep Sea Discharge Norms
- Vote of Thanks
- Confirmation of MoM of the last GC meeting held on 17.01.2024.

As per the statutory requirement, Dr. Kalyan Goswami sought confirmation on the MoM of the last GC Meeting held on 05.05.2024. The same was approved with the concurrence of all the members.

Shri RG Agarwal further suggested that ACFI should send reminders to the ministry every 15 days to follow up on the pending issues.



Agenda	Action to be taken as advised by the GC	Status
Discussions on the impact of chemicals under Rotterdam Convention with that of “market availability” of listed chemicals and “market availability of alternatives”	ACFI will send industry inputs to IWC	To be finalised in next Technical Committee meeting (Support needed from Shri Raju Kapoor)
Extension of provisional registration time after Feb 2024	ACFI will send a letter to the authorities	Done
Sales of Crop Protection Chemicals through online mode	ACFI will Send the letter to the department emphasising the fact that it is obligation of the e-commerce entity to verify the validity of the license before engaging the licensee.	Done
Guidelines on biopesticide + insecticide (both fall under IA, 1968)	ACFI Technical team will work on Position paper	Done
Sales of Pesticides through Vehicles for easy Delivery of Pesticides	ACFI Will send the letter to the concerned department	Done
Discussion on guidelines for registration under import for export of the Export Category	ACFI will organise a special committee meeting before sending the representation	Done

• Activities of ACFI in the last 6 Months

Segments	
Guidelines, Processes & Technical Issues	15
Policy & Advocacy	17
Joint Policy Advocacy	06
Misc.	13



## Guidelines, Processes & Technical Issues

Mr. P.J. Suresh informed the members that ACFI has made considerable progress over the past 8-10 months, particularly in making timely representations related to guidelines, processes, and technical issues. However, he highlighted two areas that still require attention. Firstly, there are operational issues with the issuance of certificates, which often contain numerous errors. This matter has been brought to the attention of the Secretary, CIB&RC. Secondly, the lack of understanding among many experts on certain topics causes significant delays. ACFI has addressed these issues in their representations, seeking resolutions.

Shri R.G. Agarwal added that he would join future meetings to support the association, if available, or ensure other Governing Council member attends.

Some online marketing companies of Pesticides are operating without proper PCs. Shri R.G. Agarwal suggested developing guidelines and requirements for online sales, ensuring only those who meet those criteria are permitted to sell only. ACFI should send a letter to the respective state governments and CIB to resolve this issue, with a copy of the letter shared with Shri R.G. Agarwal based on previous correspondence

## Policy & Advocacy

Dr. Kalyan Goswami updated the GC Members on the ongoing policy and advocacy outreach initiatives. Concerning the issue of "Paraquat" in Odisha, it was recommended to secure a meeting with Shri Manoj Ahuja, Chief Secretary of Agriculture. This meeting aims to address the illegal ban on the sale, stock, distribution, manufacturing, and use of Paraquat and Glyphosate in Odisha, which violates the Insecticides Act of 1968 and 1971.

In reference to the issue concerning Technical Import (TI vs TIM) discussed under Agenda Item No. 10.11, there has been a notable disagreement of thoughts between Dr. P.K. Singh and Dr. Archana Sinha. Dr. Archana Sinha referred to the decision made during the 432 RC Meeting, stating that only those with the RTT would be considered. Contrarily, Dr. P.K. Singh expressed that he would look into the matter. However, no progress has been made on this issue in the past month.

Shri R.D. Kapoor suggested either involving a larger group to address this issue or try to resolve it once, if not pursuing the legal route.

- **3D Regulatory Reforms**

Shri Salil Singhal addressed the agenda on 3D Regulatory Reforms, highlighting the significant issues caused by the misuse of the Insecticides Act in the context of registration. He pointed out that, as proof of this problem, out of 9,000 registered companies, 7,000 have been disqualified.



The 3D Agenda stands for Discuss, Decide, and Deliver, focusing on the reforms needed for the agrochemical industry. The comprehensive agenda spans about three pages and covers two distinct aspects:

- 1.Reform Agenda
- 2.Operational Issues

- Discussion on AGM

It was unanimously decided that the 7th AGM of ACFI will be held on 3rd September 2024 on the theme “Make in India: Transforming Challenges into Opportunities in the Agrochemical Industry”.

The rest of the details will be finalized by the ACFI Management Committee, keeping the GC in the loop.

- Any other points with the permission of the chair

Deep sea norms - This topic will be discussed with the Technical Committee team in the next Technical & Regulatory Committee meeting scheduled on 10th July 2024 and the output will be circulated with the Governing Council.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks from Shri Raju Kapoor, he thanked all the members for joining the meeting and requested all the members to continue giving their support and input for the betterment of ACFI.



## Various Meetings of FY 2023-24

9th Governing Council Meeting, Dhanuka Agritech Ltd., 05th October 2023



1st Technical & Regulatory Committee Meeting for FY 2023-25, Bayer CropScience Ltd., 18th October 2023



Jago Kisan Jago Campaign, Guntur, 3rd December 2023





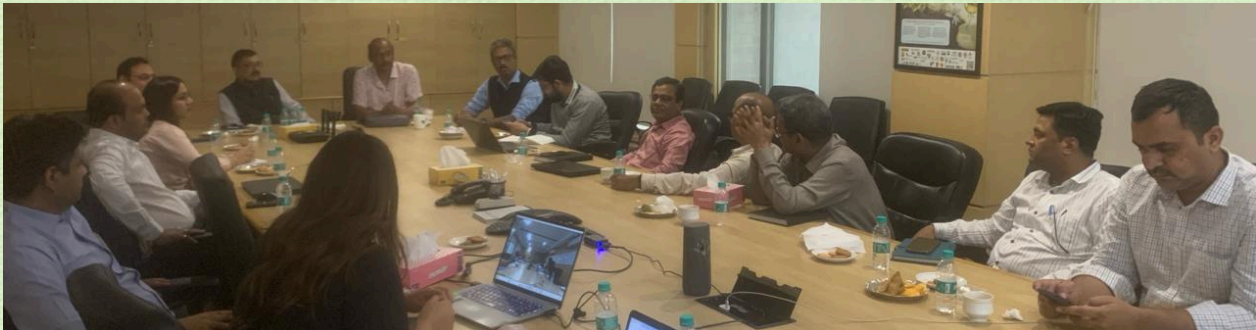
2nd Technical & Regulatory Committee Meeting, Bharat Certis Agriscience Ltd, 14th December 2023



10th Governing Council Meeting, PI Industries Office, Gurugram, 17th January 2024



3rd Technical & Regulatory Committee Meeting, Sumitomo Chemicals India Ltd, 13th March 2024





11th Governing Council, Crystal Crop Protection Ltd, 5th April 2024



4th Technical & Regulatory Committee Meeting, FMC Office, Gurugram, 9th May 2024



12th Governing Council Meeting, FMC Office, Gurugram, 5th July 2024





5th Technical & Regulatory Committee Meeting, Dhanuka Office, Gurugram, 10th July 2024





# Balance Sheet For FY 2023-24

**AGRO CHEM FEDERATION OF INDIA**

Regd. Office : 207, Prakashdeep Building-7, Tolstoy Marg, New Delhi - 110001

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH 2024**

FIGURES FOR PREVIOUS YEAR	Liabilities	FIGURES FOR CURRENT YEAR	FIGURES FOR PREVIOUS YEAR	Assets	FIGURES FOR CURRENT YEAR
8,775,000.00	<b>Corpus Fund</b>	9,275,000.00		<b>Fixed Assets</b>	
			43,019.00	<b>(As per annexure "A")</b>	94,245.15
	<b>Current Liabilities</b>			<b>Current Assets</b>	
6,364,878.00	Advance Advocate/Legal Fees	3,892,128.00		Cash-in-hand	20,135.00
15,224.00	TDS Payable	154,678.00	26,467.00	Bank Balance	7,472,266.64
-	RCM payable	11,730.00	8,934,753.38	GST Receivable	227,122.00
22,500.00	Audit Fees Payable	25,000.00	193,651.44	Income Tax Receivable (TDS)	1,167,582.00
3,880.00	Other Payables	40,500.00	858,802.00	Rent Security	224,000.00
3,231,003.82	Excess of Income over Expenditure	3,515,418.79	224,000.00	Prepaid Expenses	85,114.00
			122,385.00	FD with SBI	7,533,990.00
			7,168,834.00	Advance Income Tax	-
			175,000.00	Other advances	-
			99,824.00	Receivables from members	
			565,750.00	<b>(As per annexure "B")</b>	90,000.00
<b>18,412,485.82</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>16,914,454.79</b>	<b>18,412,485.82</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>16,914,454.79</b>

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Partner  
M.No. 092160

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FOR AGRO CHEM FEDERATION OF INDIA

  
Parikshit Mundhra  
Chairman

  
RD Kapoor  
Joint Secretary



# Statement of Income & Expenditure

**AGRO CHEM FEDERATION OF INDIA**  
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**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31.03.2024**

FIGURES FOR PREVIOUS YEAR	Expenditure	FIGURES FOR CURRENT YEAR	FIGURES FOR PREVIOUS YEAR	Income	FIGURES FOR CURRENT YEAR
5,247,326.00	To, HR Expenses	5,943,788.00	12,750,000.00	By, Annual Subscription Fee	13,900,000.00
3,286,500.00	To, Legal & Professional Expenses	2,557,750.00	1,935,000.00	By, Advertisement	2,100,000.00
560,066.00	To, Meeting Expenses	2,520,270.13	356,012.00	By, Interest on FD with SBI	405,730.00
1,194,001.46	To, Office Expenses	1,272,116.26	2,989,000.00	By, Subscription For Legal Advocate Fee	2,412,750.00
1,519,593.00	To, Taxes, Interest & Late Fees	402,057.00			
191,928.14	To, Website & AMC Expenses	203,350.50			
8,990.98	To, Other Expenses	9,598.36			
6,209,271.00	To, Kissan Kalyan Karyakaram Expenses	5,594,392.78			
25,455.00	To, Depreciation	30,742.00			
(213,119.58)	To, Excess of Income over Expenditure	284,414.97			
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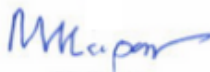
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# ACFI Jago Kisan Jago Campaign

Agro Chem Federation of India ACFI' launched a mass awareness campaign to aware farmers about the optimal use of Crop Protection Chemicals. Under this initiative, ACFI has deployed thirty plus mobile vans in Haryana, Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh and Telangana.

## OBJECTIVE:

- To educate the farmers and spread the message that by using the right pesticides their crop yield will increase significantly.
- To buy agrochemicals with GST Bill only.
- To consult the KVK Scientists, Agriculture officers, and agri-university professors before buying any product.
- To use the agrochemicals judiciously as prescribed in the product leaflet.
- To create awareness against misbranded and counterfeit products.
- To create awareness about modern technology like Drones.

## ACTIVITIES DONE:

- The 30 campaign vans traveled in Haryana, Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh and Telangana with proper monitoring.
- ACFI with its members has organized various farmer meetings during this period.
- They have distributed awareness leaflets on things to remember while buying, using, spraying, and storing the plant protection chemicals.
- They have fixed posters in the villages regarding buying crop protection chemicals with the advice of KVK Scientists, District Agriculture officers & Agriculture University professors, etc.

## FEEDBACK:

- The farmers know the importance of agrochemicals in increasing and maintaining crop yield. But their concern was regarding the
  - (i) Day by day the required doze is increasing as pests are not dying with prescribed doses
  - (i) sub-standard and misbranded products are there in the market. Most of the farmers cannot differentiate between a genuine and misbranded product, for which they depend on the dealers.



- The farmers are told by the dealers they will have to pay 18% extra cost on the product if they need the bill, thus they do not ask for the GST bill. Most of the farmers buy pesticides on a credit basis from the dealer and they take advantage of this and refuse to give GST Bill.
- The KVK scientists and agri extension workers are not active in remote areas and are failing to educate and help the farmers choose the right product for their crops, thus the farmers seek the advice of the pesticide dealers.
- The agriculture extension workers are also not working actively in educating them on identifying the difference between genuine and sub-standard products. Even when the industry organizes Kisan sanghosties they do not talk about the menace of misbranded and counterfeit products. They only speak about their brands in the promotion.

#### NEXT COURSE OF ACTION:

- ACFI and the industry need to organize various Kisan Sanghosties to spread awareness on judicious use and identify the difference between genuine and sub-standard products.
- ACFI also needs to work towards training the dealers to assist the farmers in selecting the best product for their crop and selling only genuine products.



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ANDHRA PRADESH









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## ACFI In Media

# Don't sell pesticides but control pests, NITI Aayog's Ramesh Chand tells industry

**Prabhudatta Mishra**

New Delhi

India's pesticides industry, which has become world's second biggest exporter after China, has been cautioned to be vigilant as many western countries are shifting from agrochemicals to biopesticides and even in the domestic market the official focus has been shifting towards soil conservation through natural farming. Still, it has potential to raise its growth from current level of 9 per cent.

Addressing an event organised by Agro Chem Federation of India (ACFI) on Wednesday, NITI Aayog member Ramesh Chand said: "I have seen it (staying away from chemical pesticides) in many countries. The Netherlands hardly sells any agrochemicals. The entire



Ramesh Chand, member of NITI Aayog

West is going in that direction. I think in the long run this (Indian agrochemical) industry is required to pay attention to this aspect. Perhaps, the industry needs to move from selling pesticide to pest-control and to offer solutions like integrated pest management."

He appealed the industry to ponder why many Western countries are shifting from agrochemicals to biopesti-

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According to industry data, the total turnover of agrochemicals industry in India was about \$10 billion (about ₹83,200 crore) in 2022-23 against \$6 billion in 2017-18. India's exports in agrochemicals was \$5.5 billion in 2022-23, second highest in the global trade after China with \$11.1 billion. USA, which itself the third largest exporter of agrochemicals, is also India's largest buyer; while Brazil and Japan are other top destinations.

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NEW DELHI

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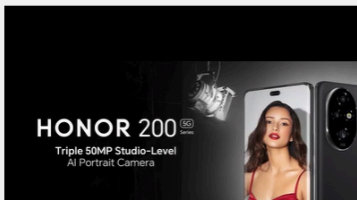
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# Min flags off mobile farm awareness vans

## Bid To Promote Use Of Genuine Agri Inputs

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**Guntur:** Agriculture minister Kakani Govardhan Reddy on Sunday flagged off a fleet of mobile vans as part of Agro Chem Federation of India's (ACFI) extensive outreach campaign 'Jago Kisan Jago' to educate farmers about the importance of using high-quality genuine agricultural inputs for maximizing crop yields. ACFI has launched the nationwide campaign 'Jago Kisan Jago' to educate farmers on the importance of using genuine agri inputs and also obtaining proper receipts to guarantee authenticity of the agrochemical they are purchasing.

Addressing the gathering, minister Kakani Govardhan Reddy said the state government has launched several initiatives to help farmers increase their income, and increase farm output as the state aims to raise its share in the national output and exports. He said the expansion of irrigation facilities and renewal of irrigation tanks has led to a significant increase in the crop acreage, resulting in improved farm productivity and enhanced prosperity for farmers. "In a steadfast commitment to enhancing agri-



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ACFI chairman and chairman of Dhanuka group, RG Agarwal said the mobile audio vans mark a notable advancement in equipping farmers with crucial knowledge on the judicious and

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He said there are some unscrupulous manufacturers and dealers who are cheating the farmers by supplying adulterated bio pesticides which are in reality, chemical pesticides.



## 'JAGO KISAN JAGO'

# Minister flags off 5 vans to educate farmers about high crop yields

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"In a steadfast commitment to enhancing agricultural productivity, the Andhra Pradesh government has taken proactive steps to ensure the availability of high-quality agricultural inputs to the farming community. Farmers in our State enjoy

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## అధునాతన శాస్త్ర సాంకేతిక పరిజ్ఞానం అందిపుచ్చుకోవాలి

❖ లాం ఫాంట్లో అగ్రిటెక్ ప్రారంభంలో మంత్రి కాకాణి గోవర్ధన్ రెడ్డి

గుంటూరు(జిల్లాపరిషత్), న్యూస్టుడే: అధునాతన శాస్త్ర సాంకేతిక పరిజ్ఞానాన్ని రైతులు అందిపుచ్చుకుని సాగులో అధిక ఉత్పత్తులు సాధించాలని రాష్ట్ర వ్యవసాయ శాఖ మంత్రి కాకాణి గోవర్ధన్ రెడ్డి అన్నారు. ఆదార్య ఎన్.జి.ఆర్.గా వ్యవసాయ విశ్వవిద్యాలయం ఆధ్వర్యంలో గుంటూరుకు సమీపంలోని ప్రాంతీయ వ్యవసాయ పరిశోధన స్థానం లాంఫాంట్లో మూడు రోజుల అగ్రిటెక్-2023ని మంత్రి గోవర్ధన్ రెడ్డి ఆదివారం ప్రారంభించి మాట్లాడారు. వ్యవసాయంలో ఎదురవుతున్న సమస్యల్ని అధిగమించి మెరుగైన దిగుబడులు సాధించేలా, రైతులు తక్కువ పెట్టుబడితో ఎక్కువ ఆదాయం పొందేలా చూడటమే సదస్సు లక్ష్యమన్నారు. మాజీ ప్రధాని చాల్ బహదూర్ శాస్త్రి, ప్రముఖ శాస్త్రవేత్త డాక్టర్ ఎం. ఎస్. సోమినాథన్ కృష్ణతో హరిత విప్లవం వచ్చి దేశంలో ఆహార కొరత సమస్య తీరిందన్నారు. ఆస్తుడాతల్ని యువత, విద్యార్థులు గుర్తుంచుకోవాలన్నారు. డ్రోన్ సాంకేతిక పరిజ్ఞానంతో సేద్యంలో మార్పులు తీసుకుంటున్నాయని, రైతులు ఆందుకునుగుణంగా సాగు విధానాలు అవలంబించాలని సూచించారు. చిన్న, సన్నతారు రైతుల



అగ్రిటెక్ సదస్సు ప్రారంభిస్తున్న రాష్ట్ర వ్యవసాయశాఖ మంత్రి కాకాణి గోవర్ధన్ రెడ్డి. పక్కన ఆంధ్రా షీ డాక్టర్ ఆర్.శారద జయలక్ష్మిదేవి, లలితారాలు తదితరులు

సమస్యల పరిష్కారానికి రైతు భరోసా కేంద్రాల ఏర్పాటుతో సూతన ఒరవడి సృష్టించామని, చిన్న పాటి లోపాలు ఉండవచ్చన్నారు. దేశం గర్వించేలా చంటి మంగడాలను ఎన్.జి.ఆర్.గా వర్గీకరించి రూపొందించినది అభినందించారు. ఆంధ్రా ఉప కలవతి డాక్టర్ ఆర్.శారద జయలక్ష్మిదేవి మాట్లాడుతూ జాతీయ వ్యవసాయ దినోత్సవం 9వ తేదీన అగ్రిటెక్ ప్రారంభించి నేల దినోత్సవం 9వ తేదీ వరకు నిర్వహించనున్నామన్నారు. రైతులు, విద్యార్థులకు వ్యవసాయంలో బోటుచేసుకుంటున్న మార్పులను తెలియజేసేందుకు వచ్చిందే ఏటా అగ్రి

టెక్ నిర్వహిస్తుందన్నారు. డ్రోన్ ఫైలింగ్ శిక్షణ పూర్తి చేసుకున్న విద్యార్థులకు ద్రువ పత్రాలను మంత్రి గోవర్ధన్ రెడ్డి అందజేశారు. రాష్ట్ర ఆహార ఉత్పాదక తయారీ సంస్థ ఆధికారి ఎల్.శ్రీధర్ రెడ్డి సూక్ష్మ, చిన్న పరిశ్రమల స్థాపనకు గల అవకాశాలను వివరించారు. తొలుత ప్రదర్శనలో స్పాల్డను మంత్రి ప్రారంభించి పరిశీలించారు. వచ్చిందే పరిధిలోని కేపీకేలు, వ్యవసాయ ఆనుబంధ శాఖల అధికారులు, ప్రైవేటు సంస్థల ప్రతినిధులు స్పాల్డను ఏర్పాటు చేశారు. సూతన ఆవిష్కరణలకు సంబంధించి యంత్ర పరికరాలు తక్కువ సంఖ్యలో ఏర్పాటు చేశారనే విమర్శలు వ్యక్తమయ్యాయి. రైతుల కుట్ర ప్రైవేటు విద్యార్థులను బస్సుల్లో తరలించారు. సమావేశంలో విశ్వవిద్యాలయం రిజిస్ట్రార్ రామారావు, పరిశోధన, విస్తరణ విభాగాల సంచాలకులు ప్రశాంతి, సుబ్బరామిరెడ్డి, ఫూల్స్ చీఫ్ విప్లువర్ధన్ రెడ్డి, ఆసోబోమ్ ఫైల్డర్స్ దినేష్విద్యులు, ఎన్.జి.డి.స్పాల్డ బసరల్ మేనేజర్ హేమ, ధరూకా గ్రూప్ ఎండ్. ఆర్.జి.ఆగర్వాల, శాస్త్రవేత్తలు, రైతులు, విద్యార్థులు పాల్గొన్నారు.



# రైతులను ప్రోత్సహిస్తున్నాం

మంత్రి కాకాని గోవర్ధనరెడ్డి

గుంటూరు, డిసెంబర్ 3 మనం న్యూస్ : తక్కువ పెట్టుబడితో సాగు చేసి ఎక్కువ దిగుబడి సాధించే విధంగా ప్రభుత్వం రైతులను ప్రోత్సహిస్తుందని వ్యవసాయశాఖ మంత్రి కాకాని గోవర్ధనరెడ్డి తెలిపారు. అగ్రిటెక్-2023 ప్రదర్శన, అధునిక వ్యవసాయ సాంకేతికతలపై సదస్సు అదివారం గుంటూరు జిల్లా లాంలోని అచార్య ఎన్ జి రంగా వ్యవసాయ విశ్వవిద్యాలయంలో జరిగింది. ఈ సదస్సులో మంత్రి కాకాని మాట్లాడుతూ.. వ్యవసాయ రంగం అభివృద్ధికి ప్రభుత్వంతోపాటు, వ్యవసాయ వర్సిటీలు, టెక్నాలజీని అందిస్తున్న పరిశ్రమలు ముఖ్యపాత్ర పోషిస్తున్నాయని తెలిపారు. వ్యవసాయ శాస్త్రవేత్తల పరిశోధన వలన గతంలో 31 స్థానంలో ఉన్న విశ్వవిద్యాలయం ర్యాంకింగ్ ప్రస్తుతం 13వ స్థానంలో ఉందని, త్వరలోనే కేటాయించే ర్యాంకింగ్లో వ్యవసాయ విశ్వవిద్యాలయం దేశంలోనే మొదటి పది స్థానాల్లో చోటు సంపాదించుకుంటుందని తెలిపారు. డ్రోన్ టెక్నాలజీతో అన్నిరకాల పరిశోధనలు ఉద్యమంలా సాగుతున్నాయన్నారు. రైతుల సమస్యలకు గ్రామస్థాయిలోనే వ్యవసాయ శాస్త్రవేత్తలు సలహాలు, సూచనలు ఇచ్చేందుకు ప్రతి గ్రామంలో రైతుభరోసా కేంద్రాలను ఏర్పాటు చేశామన్నారు. సదస్సులో వ్యవసాయ వర్సిటీ ఉప కులపతి డాక్టర్ శారదా జయలక్ష్మీదేవి తదితరులు పాల్గొన్నారు.



## సరైన సమయంలో పురుగు మందులు వాడాలి

గుంటూరు, మేజర్ న్యూస్ : 'జాగో కిసాన్ జాగో' గురించి వివరిస్తూ, ఏ సి ఎఫ్ సి %x% అడ్వైజరీ కమిటీ చైర్మన్, ధనుకా గ్రూప్ చైర్మన్ ఆర్ జి అగర్వాల్ మాట్లాడుతూ, ఆంధ్రప్రదేశ్ వంటి ప్రగతిశీల రాష్ట్రంలో ఈ మొదలై ఆడియో వ్యాన్లు రైతులకు న్యాయమైన, హక్కుపై కీలకమైన అవగాహనను సమకూర్చడంలో చెప్పుకోదగ్గ పురోగతిని సూచిస్తున్నాయి. శాస్త్రవేత్తలు, నిపుణుల సూచనల మేరకు పురుగుమందుల వాడకం సరైన సమయంలో, సరైన నీటి పరిమాణం మరియు సరైన స్ప్రే సాంకేతికతతో సరైన సమయంలో వాటిని ఉపయోగించండి మరియు పంట రక్షణ రసాయనాలపై ఖర్చు చేసిన డబ్బుపై గరిష్ట ప్రయోజనం పొందడం మరియు సరైన పద్ధతిలో పురుగుమందులను కొనుగోలు చేయడం అవసరం. బిల్లులు. మార్కెట్లో అసాంఘిక తయారీదారులు, డీలర్లు ఉన్నారని, వాస్తవంగా రసాయనిక పురుగుమందులనే సకీర్తి బయో పెస్టిసైడ్లను సరఫరా చేస్తూ రైతులను మోసం చేస్తున్నారని ఆయన ప్రత్యేకంగా ప్రస్తావించారు. 2021లో, కర్మాటక ప్రభుత్వం బయో-పెస్టిసైడ్స్ మరియు బయో-స్టిమ్యులెంట్స్ అని పిలవబడే 250 సమూహాలలో రసాయన పురుగుమందులను కలిగి ఉన్నట్లు కనుగొనబడింది. అశ్చర్యకరంగా, ఈ సమూహాలలో కొన్ని భారతదేశంలో



సమూహం చేయని వాటితో సహా 10-12 రసాయన పురుగుమందుల కాంటెయిన్లుగా గుర్తించబడ్డాయి. ఈ సమస్య యొక్క పరిణామాలు వ్యవసాయ రంగంలో స్పష్టంగా కనిపించాయి, సుమారు 9 లక్షల ఎకరాల్లో మిర్చి పంటలు బ్లాక్ ట్రిప్స్ కారణంగా దెబ్బతిన్నాయి. హైదరాబాద్లో క్రాప్ రైఫ్ ఇండియా ఏర్పాటు చేసిన సమావేశంలో, తెలంగాణ వ్యవసాయ శాఖ మంత్రి శ్రీ ఎస్. నిరంజన్ రెడ్డి 2021లో మిరప పంటలపై ప్రభావం చూపి, ఆ తర్వాత వివిధ రకాలకు వ్యాపించిన బ్లాక్ ట్రిప్స్ అనే పాలీఫాగస్ కీటకాల వల్ల తీవ్ర ముప్పు పొంది ఉందని ఉద్ఘాటించారు. ఇతర పంటలు. విభిన్న పంటలకు విస్తృత వలసలను పరిగణనలోకి తీసుకుని, ఆహార భద్రతకు ఎదురయ్యే ప్రమాదాలను తగ్గించడానికి సమర్థవంతమైన నియంత్రణ చర్యల తక్షణ అవసరాన్ని మంత్రి నిరంజన్ రెడ్డి ఎత్తిచూ

పారు. మంత్రి తన మామిడి తోటపై ప్రభావం చూపడానికి ఒక పదునైన ఉదాహరణను పంచుకున్నారు, ఇక్కడ బ్లాక్ ట్రిప్స్ ఆదాయంలో గణనీయమైన తగ్గుదలకు దారితీసింది. రూ. 5000 ఆదాయం వచ్చినప్పటికీ, గత ఏడాది 70 లక్షల ఆదాయం రాగా, ఈ ఏడాది గణనీయంగా తగ్గి రూ. 40 లక్షలు, ఫలితంగా రూ. 30 లక్షలు. ఈ అన్య దేశ తెగులు దాడి కారణంగా రైతులు మరియు వ్యవసాయ రంగం విస్తృతంగా నష్టపోతున్నారనే దానికి ఈ వ్యక్తిగత ఉదాహరణ ఒక స్పష్టమైన ఉదాహరణగా పనిచేస్తుంది. రైతుల సంక్షేమం మరియు వ్యవసాయ పరిశ్రమ యొక్క మొత్తం ఆరోగ్యం కోసం బ్లాక్ ట్రిప్స్ ముట్టడిని పరిష్కరించడం మరియు నియంత్రించడం యొక్క క్లిష్టమైన ప్రాముఖ్యతను మంత్రి యొక్క సాక్ష్యం నొక్కి చెబుతుంది. నేడు, చాలా ప్రసిద్ధ కంపెనీలు తమ ఉత్పత్తులపై క్యూఆర్ కోడ్లను చేర్చి పద్ధతిని అవలంబించాయి. ఇది రైతులు కోడ్లను ఉపయోగించి వాటిని స్కాన్ చేయడానికి వీలు కల్పిస్తుందన్నారు. సమావేశంలో అభిషేక్ ధనుకా ఆల్ ఇండియా సేల్స్ హెడ్.. డాక్టర్ ఎం పరుశరామయ్య ధనుకా కంపెనీ శాస్త్రవేత్త.. పాల్గొన్నారు.







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He said farmers are the first priority of the state government and that the state government will provide all possible support to improve the agricultural conditions in the changing weather conditions.

"The establishment of an integrated call centre to get immediate answers to farmers' problems in their fields also shows the sincerity of the state government in supporting the

farmers," he said. Elaborating on the 'Jago Kisan Jago', RG Agarwal, chairman, Kisan Kalyan Committee, ACFI, said these mobile audio vans mark a notable advancement in equipping farmers with crucial knowledge on the judicious and right application of pesticides as per the recommendations of the scientists, experts and use these at right time.

ANGRAI honorary vice-chancellor Sharada Jayalakshmi, L. Sridhar Reddy, AP food processing society officials, members of the governing body, university officials, 3000 students along with farmers, scientists and agricultural-related staff participated in the programme.

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## Will protect interest of farmers and trade: Devendra Fadnavis



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**A DELEGATION** of leading associations of manufacturers and formulators of agrochemical led by Dr Dipen Agrawal, President of Chamber of Associations of Maharashtra Industry & Trade (CAMIT) called upon Devendra Fadnavis, Deputy Chief Minister of Maharashtra and upraised him with the adverse effect of the Government's proposed bill to provide compensation to farmers for incurring financial losses due to the use of adulterated and spurious seeds, insecticides and fertilisers.

On the occasion Fadnavis said that it is the duty of the Government to protect interest of farmers, concerns of industry and trade," he said

The delegation consisted of Sanjiv Lal, MD of Rallis India Ltd. and Vice Chairman of FICCI Agrochemical Committee, Parikshit Mundhra, MD of Willowood Chemicals Ltd. and Chairman of Agro Chem Federation of India (ACFI), Rajesh Aggarwal, MD of Insecticides India Ltd., and Vice Chairman of CCFI, Nirmala Pathrawal, ED of Crop Care Federation of India (CCFI) and Durgesh Chandra, Secretary General of CropLife India.





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## ICFA awards for innovation in agriculture; 10 farmers felicitated

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**LUCKNOW :** The Indian Chamber of Food and Agriculture (ICFA) presented Innovative Farmer Awards 2024 at the Indian Institute of Sugarcane Research here on Sunday, as part of Uttar Pradesh AgroTech 2024 event.

Presenting the awards, deputy chief minister of U.P. Brajesh Pathak who was the chief guest, said that recognizing the farmers for their outstanding work would encourage them for greater innovations in agriculture.

"Our government is fully committed to empowering farmers with technology and marketing support," he said.

"Uttar Pradesh is leading in the production of different commodities such as wheat, sugarcane, milk and vegetables but the time has come for farmers of the state to be leading in

The 10 farmers who were awarded for their innovation in agriculture were Jagdamba Lal Srivastava from Ayodhya, Dinesh Chandra Verma from Barabanki, Ramkaran Tiwari from Etawah, Mangal Singh, Fatehpur, Dharmendra Singh from Hardoi, Rajkumar Tripathi from Kanpur Dehat, Jitendra Singh from Kanpur Nagar, Rajkumari from Lucknow, Abhishek Kumar Patel from Raebareilly and Atal Bihari Bajpai from Unnao.

Dr. MJ Khan, chairman of the Indian Chamber of Food and Agriculture, extended a warm welcome to the minister and highlighted the pivotal role of such events in strengthening the bond between farmers and innovation.

Mukesh Singh, chairman, Indo American Chamber of Commerce, also appreciated the contribution of ICFA towards farmers and praised the efforts of the farming fraternity.

10 U.P. farmers get ICFA awards for innovation in agriculture

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## सरकार किसानों को सशक्त बनाने के लिए प्रतिबद्ध : पाठक

यूपी एग्रोटेक-2024 कार्यक्रम में उप मुख्यमंत्री ब्रजेश पाठक ने किसान को किया सम्मानित। स्रोत : विभाग

लखनऊ। उप मुख्यमंत्री ब्रजेश पाठक ने कहा कि किसानों को उत्कृष्ट कार्यों के लिए सम्मानित करने से वे नवाचार के लिए प्रोत्साहित होंगे। सरकार किसानों को सशक्त बनाने के लिए प्रतिबद्ध है। किसानों को प्रौद्योगिकी को अपनाने व प्रमुख सरकारी योजनाओं का लाभ उठाने की जरूरत है। वे रविवार को भारतीय गन्ना अनुसंधान संस्थान में हुए यूपी एग्रोटेक-2024 कार्यक्रम में बोल रहे थे।

समारोह में इंडियन चैंबर ऑफ फूड एंड एग्रीकल्चर की ओर से कृषि में नवाचार के लिए जिन 10 किसानों को सम्मानित किया गया, उनमें अयोध्या के जगदंबा लाल श्रीवास्तव, बाराबंकी के दिनेश चंद्र वर्मा, इटावा के रामकरन तिवारी, फतेहपुर के मंगल सिंह, हरदोई के धर्मेन्द्र सिंह, कानपुर देहात के राजकुमार त्रिपाठी, कानपुर नगर के जितेंद्र सिंह, लखनऊ के राजकुमारी, रायबरेली से अभिषेक कुमार पटेल और उन्नाव से अटल बिहारी बाजपेयी शामिल हैं। इंडियन चैंबर ऑफ फूड एंड एग्रीकल्चर के अध्यक्ष डॉ. एमजे खान, इंडो अमेरिकन चैंबर ऑफ कॉमर्स के अध्यक्ष मुकेश सिंह मौजूद रहे। इंडियन चैंबर ऑफ फूड एंड एग्रीकल्चर के निदेशक तुषार गर्मा ने 18-20 दिसंबर तक यूपी एग्रोटेक-2025 के भगले संस्करण की घोषणा की। ब्यूरो





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