## **Sustainable Farming Practices for Dealers/Retailers and Farmers**



FAI organized this program on 19 May 2025 at IFFCO, B.S. Nakai Bhawan, Chandigarh.

Dr. Suresh Kumar Chaudhari, Director General, FAI, New Delhi, in his inaugural address, detailed about holistic approach of sustainable agriculture; soil and water management; integration of fertiliser use with organic fertilisers, bio-fertilisers, nano fertilisers, etc.; regenerative agriculture; strategies for irrigated as well as rainfed agriculture; natural farming whereever feasible; use of P fertiliser only in one season and P solubilizing bacteria in Punjab in view of more P in the soil; Government of Punjab Scheme of school nutrition garden; scheme of Government of India for distribution of soil health cards and to use fertiliser on the basis of the same; role of fertiliser industry in improving agriculture production in line with making fertiliser available to meet the growing need of nutrients of high yielding varieties of crops; ICAR contribution in agricultural development; role of dealers in education of the farmers; etc.

Dr. A. Velmurugan, ADG, Soil & Water Management; ICAR-NRM Division, New Delhi; Mr. Bal Mukund Sharma, Chairman, Punjab State Food Commission, Government of Punjab; Dr. Girijesh Bhargav, Fertiliser Inspector, Department of Agriculture, Punjab; Mr. Harmail Singh Sidhu, SMM, IFFCO, Chandigarh; Dr. Maheshwaran Ramathas, Product Head- FOM, Reliance Industries Ltd., Bhopal and Dr. Kabita Debnath Das, Chief (Agricultural Sciences), FAI, New Delhi also provided valuable inputs to the participants related to the theme of the program.

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