

Visit of Scientists of University of Nebraska-Lincoln, United States to FAI



The Agricultural Sciences Department of FAI organised a visit of Dr. Patricio Grassini, Sunkist Endowed Professor in Agronomy and Dr. Walter Carciochi, Research Assistant Professor, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, United States to FAI on 13 October 2025. Scientists from ICAR institutes and Dr. Soumitra Das, IZA also graced the occasion.

At this occasion, Dr. Suresh Kumar Chaudhari, Director General, FAI dwelt upon importance of potassium and sulphur in Indian agriculture; increasingly deficiencies of these nutrients; set up of ICAR and Agricultural Universities; initiation of long-term fertiliser experiments in line with Rothamsted, United Kingdom; meticulous research being carried out; response of application to crops; wide soil testing net-work; Government initiatives and policies to promote these nutrients; development of innovative products; etc.

Dr. Patricio Grassini made a presentation on A Global Analysis of Potassium Limitation to Crop Yields. Dr. S.P.S. Tanwar, Director-Incharge, ICAR- CAZRI, Jodhpur; and Dr. Sanjib Kumar Behera, Head, Division (Soil Chemistry & Fertility), ICAR-IISS, Bhopal gave an overview of Sulphur Research in India.

In his concluding remarks, DG, FAI inferred that Horticulture University of Nebraska-Lincoln may collaborate with FAI, ICAR institutes or agricultural universities for academic purposes to carry out research on such nutrients in India.