

## Regulatory Pathways for Registration of Fertiliser Products in India



The Fertiliser Association of India (FAI), New Delhi organised a training program on **Regulatory Pathways for Registration of Fertiliser Products in India** during 12-16 January 2026 at Coimbatore. Forty-five participants nominated by the companies attended the program. It was inaugurated by Dr. Suresh Kumar Chaudhari, Director General, FAI.

In his address, Dr. Chaudhari dwelt upon the necessity of thorough understanding of the executives working in the fertiliser sector about the areas related to the theme of the program; inclusions or exclusions of products or other amendments in FCO from time to time as per the need by Central Fertiliser Committee; realizing the need of fertiliser in Indian agriculture, enactment of FCO 1957 under Essential Commodities Act 1955; issuance of comprehensive FCO 1985 in supersession of FCO 1957 and later inclusion of organic & mixed fertilisers in it; need for promotion of INM to improve soil health and enhance soil organic carbon and microbial biodiversity on sustainable basis; development of better efficient innovative formulations and futuristic types of fertilisers by companies; vital areas of policies related to urea and P&K fertilisers; sharing of knowledge learnt from the program among the colleagues, etc. He further stated that complete flow of process, methodologies and checkpoints in regulatory pathways for registration of new products in FCO 1985 will be dealt by Dr. P.P. Biswas, Ex-ICAR, NRM Divisions and Dr. H.P. Singh, Former Law Officer & Senior Consultant, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare.

Dr. P. Balasubramanain, Director (NRM), TNAU, Coimbatore; Dr. A. Velmurugan, ADG (S&WM), ICAR, New Delhi; Dr. Kabita Debnath Das, Chief (Agricultural Sciences), FAI; Dr. Shital Bhende, Senior Agronomist, FAI and Dr. Lalit Kumar, Senior Agronomist, FAI also provided valuable tips to the trainees related to the subject.

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