

Golden Jubilee Foundation



Indian Council of Agricultural Research-Central Institute of Cotton Research, Nagpur, celebrated its **Golden Jubilee Foundation** on 01 April 2026. Dr. Suresh Kumar Chaudhari, Director General, The Fertiliser Association of India, New Delhi, also graced the occasion as Guest of Honour.

DG, FAI, enumerated the areas related to consideration of 'Soil as Mother' and its relevance to agriculture; importance of cotton in Indian economy; natural resource management; crop-wise and stage-wise nutrient management; behavioural pattern of monsoon due to *El Nino* and *La Nina* and preparedness of contingency plan; soil health and water management; regenerative agriculture; adoption of natural farming, wherever possible; importance of organic-based farming; need for enhancing microbial bio-diversity and earthworms in soil; more impetus on promotion of integrated nutrient management; need for crop diversification; dissemination of best practices of agriculture among the farmers by all concerned; etc.

Dr. D.K. Yadava, DDG (Crop Sciences), ICAR, New Delhi; Dr. C.D. Mayee, Former Chairman, ASRB, New Delhi; Dr. P.K. Das, ADG (Commercial Crops), ICAR, New Delhi; Dr. S.K. Pradhan, ADG (FFC), ICAR, New Delhi; and Dr. V.N. Waghmare, Director, ICAR-CICR, Nagpur also provided valuable inputs at the occasion.
