

Farmer awareness program on balanced fertilizer use organized at Sankhawas in Nagaur district

ICAR-CAZRI is coordinating the implementation of the ICAR's flagship programme i.e. intensive campaign for adoption of science based nutrients and other inputs management in Nagaur district of Rajasthan. As part of this campaign, an awareness programme on the balanced use of fertilizers was organized at the Sankhawas village, Mundwa block in Nagaur district on 15 May 2026. The event was organized jointly by CAZRI and KVK Nagaur-I, in which farmers and input dealers participated. Dr. Hari Ram Choudhary, SMS, briefed farmers about the objective of the campaign. Dr. Gopichand Singh, Head KVK informed that Nagaur is one of the highest DAP consuming districts in the country and called upon farmers to adopt alternate technologies to reduce chemical fertilizer dependency. Dr. Himanshu Mahawar, Scientist, dealt in detail on soil degradation due to overuse of urea. He advised farmers for balanced use of NPK & micronutrients based on soil health card, composting using local materials and biofertilizers developed by the institute. Dr. B. L. Manjunatha, Senior Scientist, demonstrated the application of CAZRI bioformulations (Marusena-1, Marusena-3, Mishrith Marusena) for seed treatment to control soil-borne diseases in kharif crops. Farmers' queries regarding the availability of seeds, planting material and other products & services from CAZRI were addressed. After the programme, scientists visited IFFCO center in the village and discussed the adoption of different fertilizers by the farmers. The programme was coordinated by Dr. B. L. Manjunatha and Dr. Himanshu Mahawar in collaboration with KVK Nagaur-I team.

