

Live streaming programme of the address by Honorable PM on the occasion of Global Potato conclave

A Live streaming programme of the address by Honorable Prime Minister Narendra Modi in the 3rd Global Potato conclave 2020 at Gandhinagar, Gujarat was organized by Krishi Vigyan Kendra of ICAR-CAZRI, Jodhpur on 28.01.2020. The Live streaming programme was started from 9.00 A.M onwards in CAZRI conference hall. The PM Modi addressed the conclave through video-conferencing. He informed that conclave is being organized by the Indian Potato Association (IPA) in collaboration with Indian Council of Agricultural Research ICAR, Central Potato



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Prime Minister said that govt is working on various policy initiatives to double the income of farmers. He said that govt's focus is on promoting a network from field to distribution centre so that farmers can get good return. He also said that in coming 5 years, thousands of of crores will spend on irrigation and farm-related infrastructure for the benefits of farmers. PM Modi added that “Rapid steps are being taken towards the goal of doubling the income of farmers by 2022. The result of the efforts of farmers and the combination of government policy is that India is among the top 3 countries in the world in the production of many cereals and other food items.”



Prime Minister also said that we should also work in direction to improve global food security and to eradicate poverty and hunger. Adding, PM Modi said “Work on scientific and technological approach is being done for irrigation. Working on the mantra of ‘per drop more crop’, micro irrigation is being focused upon.” Talking about the significance of the conclave, PM Modi said that “The special thing about this conclave is that here Potato Conference, Agri Expo and Potato Field Day are all happening together. I have been told that about 6 thousand farmers are going to the fields on the occasion of Field Day. This is a commendable effort.” Prime Minister also urged the scientists and researchers to work in direction for solution to enhance agriculture productivity. Our priority is to reduce layers and yield wastage between farmer and consumer. For this, traditional agriculture is being promoted. The government’s emphasis is also on promoting agricultural technology-based ‘start ups’ so that farmers’ databases and agri stacks are essential for smart and precision agriculture. 63 farmers, Scientists, students and technical officers participated during the Live streaming programme at CAZRI, Jodhpur.

