## Fertiliser Logistics, Port Handling Operations and Coastal Shipping



The Fertiliser Association of India, New Delhi, organized a program on **Fertiliser Logistics, Port Handling Operations and Coastal Shipping** at Anjar, Kachchh, Gujarat, during 16-19 June 2025. There were forty-four participants, nominated by 22 companies, in the program. Dr. Suresh Kumar Chaudhari, Director General, FAI, New Delhi, inaugurated the program by lighting the lamp.

In his inaugural address, DG, FAI, covered the area related to the fertiliser policy in India; imbalance in use of fertilisers; importance of soil test based recommendations to improve fertiliser use efficiency and soil health; Role of nutrients in plant metabolism; demand-supply balance of fertilisers; import dependency of fertilisers and raw materials; ways and means to economize logistics cost by adopting innovative strategy; international trade; marine insurance; coastal shipping and inland water transportation; economize on port handling operations; development of new formulations; regulatory environment in India compared to other countries; capacity building of the executives of the sector; organization of need–based programs by FAI; etc.

Mr. Parag Saxena, Chief (Marketing), FAI, New Delhi briefed about the objective of the program. After the inauguration, Mr. T.G. Kallingal, Senior Executive Director, IFFCO, New Delhi, made a presentation on Infrastructure at Ports - Factors in Deciding a Discharge Port.



DG, FAI also paid a visit to Adani Port, Mundra and met CEO, Mr. Sujal Shah. Mr. Bhagwant Upadhye, Head – Dry Cargo Operations, explained the high-tech infrastructure and facilities available at the port to handle imported cargo.

