

## Fertiliser Policy for Enhancing Indigenous Production and Encouraging Balanced Use of Nutrients



The Fertiliser Association of India – Southern Region, Chennai, organized a Training Program on **Fertiliser Policy for Enhancing Indigenous Production and Encouraging Balanced Use of Nutrients** at Sagar Sadan, Southern Petrochemical Industries Corporation Limited, Tuticorin, Tamil Nadu, during 13-16 June 2025. Forty-seven participants, nominated by member companies, took the advantage of the program.

Dr. Suresh Kumar Chaudhari, Director General, FAI, New Delhi, inaugurated the program by lighting of lamp. In his inaugural address, DG, FAI, dwelt upon the policies of the Government to ensure food security and give boost to indigenous production of fertilisers; subsidy on fertilisers; vital importance of fertilisers in agriculture in view of existence of direct correlation between fertiliser consumption and food grain production; commitments of industry in ensuring availability of fertilisers across the country; challenges being witnessed in agriculture; decline in crop response to fertilisers due to imbalance in use of plant nutrients and soil health due to low organic carbon content; education of farmers to use fertilisers in balanced proportion on soil test-based recommendations; promotion of integrated management system comprising organic fertilisers, bio-fertilisers, specialty fertilisers, recycling of organic wastes, etc. along with fertilisers by all stakeholders and industry is concerned for sustainable agriculture & putting its sincere efforts; preservation and judicious use of natural resources for sustainable development; need for reforms in fertiliser policy for sustainable agriculture, etc.

DG also made a presentation on **Natural Resources Management for Sustainable Agriculture** after the inauguration.

Er. E. Balu, Whole Time Director, SPIC & Director on the Board of FAI and Er. Senthil Nayagam, Whole Time Director, Greenstar Fertilizers Limited also shared their experiences related to the theme of the program. Mr. Y.V.N. Murthy, Regional Head, FAI-SR, briefed about the objective of the program.