

Subject: Regulatory Pathways for Registration of Fertiliser Products in India

Dear Friends,

The registration of fertilisers in India is primarily governed by the Fertiliser Control Order, 1985 (FCO) under the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 and administered by the Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare under the Ministry of Agriculture (MOA).

Fertiliser registration in India is long drawn process. A new product registration in India typically goes through a minimum of eight steps.

- (i) Set up of Field Trials
- (ii) Field Trial Report
- (iii) Submission of report to the Controller (MOA)
- (iv) Technical Committee review (may be referred to Department of Biotechnology for Safety and biosafety issues)
- (v) Approval by Central Fertiliser Committee (CFC).
- (vi) Upon Minister's approval, Gazettee notification issued
- (vii) Endorsement by state governments
- (viii) Made available to farmers

According to a study undertaken by the World Bank in 2019, it can take as many as 804 days (more than 2 years) to register a new fertiliser product in India. The go-to-market timeline for innovative solutions that can enhance agricultural productivity also increases. The compliance burden also hinders the private sector innovations.

Inadequate testing facilities, lack of proper guidance, irregularities in sampling and testing also prolongs the registration process for fertilisers.

Therefore, FAI being an active member of CFC has taken up the initiative to train the industry personnel for adopting the right approach for placing the proposal of a new product registration before CFC.

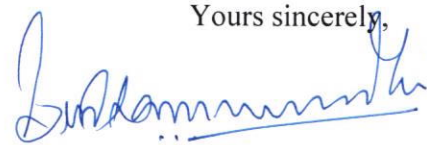
In this context, we are pleased to announce the 4 days non-residential Training on **"Regulatory Pathways for Registration of Fertilisers in India"** during 7-10 July 2025 at ICAR-Indian Institute of Soil Science, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh. This program would provide a unique opportunity to the participants to increase awareness on the fertiliser sampling procedure, method of analysis, agronomic concepts, experimental design to be followed and the statistical methods to be used for a transparent and efficient pathway for a new product registration.

We, therefore, request you to kindly avail this opportunity by nominating officers from your organization.

We look forward to your early and favourable response.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,



(Suresh Kumar Chaudhari)

Regd. Office : FAI HOUSE, 10 SHAHEED JIT SINGH MARG, NEW DELHI-110 067

CIN : U85300DL1955NPL002999

Phone : +91-11-46005203

E-mail : dg@faidelhi.org • Website : www.faidelhi.org

GSTN : 07AAACT0097M1Z3 • PAN : AAAC0097M



Training Program

On

Regulatory Pathways for Registration of Fertiliser Products in India

7-10 July 2025



**THE FERTILISER ASSOCIATION OF INDIA
NEW DELHI**

Subject: Regulatory Pathways for Registration of Fertiliser Products in India

Dear Friends,

The registration of fertilisers in India is primarily governed by the Fertiliser Control Order, 1985 (FCO) under the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 and administered by the Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare under the Ministry of Agriculture (MOA).

Fertiliser registration in India is long drawn process. A new product registration in India typically goes through a minimum of eight steps.

- (i) Set up of Field Trials
- (ii) Field Trial Report
- (iii) Submission of report to the Controller (MOA)
- (iv) Technical Committee review (may be referred to Department of Biotechnology for Safety and biosafety issues)
- (v) Approval by Central Fertiliser Committee (CFC)
- (vi) Upon Minister's approval, Gazettee notification issued
- (vii) Endorsement by state governments
- (viii) Made available to farmers

According to a study undertaken by the World Bank in 2019, it can take as many as 804 days (more than 2 years) to register a new fertiliser product in India. The go-to-market timeline for innovative solutions that can enhance agricultural productivity also increases. The compliance burden also hinders the private sector innovations.


Inadequate testing facilities, lack of proper guidance, irregularities in sampling and testing also prolongs the registration process for fertilisers.

Therefore, FAI being an active member of CFC has taken up the initiative to train the industry personnel for adopting the right approach for placing the proposal of a new product registration before CFC.

In this context, we are pleased to announce the 4 day's non-residential Training on "**Regulatory Pathways for Registration of Fertilisers in India**" during 7-10 July 2025 at ICAR-Indian Institute of Soil Science, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh. This program would provide a unique opportunity to the participants to increase awareness on the fertiliser sampling procedure, method of analysis, agronomic concepts, experimental design to be followed and the statistical methods to be used for a transparent and efficient pathway for a new product registration.

We, therefore, request you to kindly avail this opportunity by nominating officers from your organization.

We look forward to your early and favourable response.


Dr. Suresh Kumar Chaudhari
Director General

TENTATIVE TOPICS TO BE COVERED

1. Broad Outline of FCO & Process of Registration
2. Model Field Trials
3. Essential Statistical Analysis
4. Data Interpretation & Presentation of Field Trials
5. Case Studies from Industries
6. Fertiliser Policy in India
7. Role of Fertilisers in Sustainable Agriculture

TARGET AUDIENCE

The program has been structured to serve the development needs of senior/ middle level officials in Fertiliser/Agri-input companies serving in the field of agriculture services/ promotion, fertiliser marketing, sales, material management, import, agri. business, etc.

TRAINING APPROACH

This program would provide a unique opportunity to the participants to increase awareness on the fertiliser sampling procedure, method of analysis, agronomic concepts, experimental design to be followed and the statistical methods to be used for a transparent and efficient pathway for a new product registration. Emphasis is on participative approach rather than merely lectures to induce the participants to become intimately involved in the learning process. Case studies and group discussions are some of the teaching techniques that will be used to stimulate and sustain the interest of the participants.

FACULTY

Taking into consideration the specific requirement of the fertiliser/Agri input industry, the faculty is drawn from the pool of experts/specialist both in the ICAR & fertiliser industry at national level.

DURATION, DATE AND TIME

The duration of training program is 4 days' non-residential from 7-10 July 2025 at 10.00 to 4.30 pm.

CONNECTIVITY

- ⇒ **By Air** - Raja Bhoj Airport is the major airport of Bhopal, located around 15 km from the city center in Bairagarh suburban area on National Highway 12. Bhopal is well connected to the metros & other cities by various companies airlines.
- ⇒ **By Train** - Bhopal Junction (Station Code : BPL), located near Hamidia Road, is the main railway station of Bhopal that is served by the West Central Railways. Bhopal is on one of the two main Delhi to Mumbai railway lines and also on the main line to the southern state capitals of Chennai, Hyderabad, Bangalore and Thiruvananthapuram. It is on one of the two major Delhi to Mumbai railway lines. Dakshin Express, Punjab Mail, Goa Express, Tirukkural Express, Jhelum Express, Andaman Express, Kushinagar Express and Jaipur Express are the main trains that passes through the station. It is also the terminus of the Shatabdi Express, which daily shuttles between Delhi and Bhopal.
- ⇒ **By Road** - There are extensive bus services (private and state) to cities within the region and interstate.

ACCOMODATION

Accommodation options are plenty in Bhopal, ranging from budget, mid-range to luxury hotels. The budget hotels are clustered near the railway station and bus stand. Mid-range hotels can be found all over the city. Maharana Pratap Nagar and Shamala Hills have a good number of mid-range hotels. Bhopal also boasts of several luxury hotels including heritage properties.

ABOUT THE VENUE OF THE TRAINING PROGRAM

Bhopal, the capital of Madhya Pradesh, is a fascinating amalgam of scenic beauty, old historic city and modern urban planning. It is the 11th century city Bhojpal, founded by Raja Bhoj, but the present city was established by an Afghan soldier, Dost Mohammed (1707-1740). His descendants build Bhopal into a beautiful city. Bhopal district has enacted the concept of unity in diversity. Here, people of all religions and communities live by mutual goodwill and brotherhood. Bhopal is also known as the **city of lakes** because of its natural and manmade lakes, and it was controlled for nearly a century by the wives of the nawabs. As a result, Bhopal is divided into two cities by a set of lakes. A traditional city is located north of the town, while a modern city lies south, nestled between the Arera and Shyamla hills. One of India's grand industrial units Bharat Heavy Electricals Bhopal has honored the district.

TOURIST PLACES IN BHOPAL (MADHYA PRADESH)

Bhopal is one of India's greenest cities. There are two main lakes, the Upper Lake and the Lower Lake. On the banks of the Upper Lake is Van Vihar National Park, home to tigers, lions and leopards. The State Museum has fossils, paintings and rare Jain sculptures. Taj-ul-Masjid is one of Asia's largest mosques, with white domes, minarets and a huge courtyard. The main centers of rural and urban culture in the district are Bharat Bhawan, Human Museum, Culture Bhawan, Swaraj Bhawan and Ravindra Cultural Bhawan. Other attractions are visiting Sanchi, Bhimbetka and Udayagiri Caves.

WEATHER

The climate is moderate in Bhopal. The summers are hot and winters cold. But it does not face extreme weather conditions. It rains moderately during rainy season. The weather is pleasant throughout the year.

COURSE FEE

Participation Fee per Candidate (Non – Residential)	20,000 + 18% GST
--	------------------

The course fee covers reading materials, conference facilities, include lunch, AMT, PMT and program kit. It does not include travel expenses of the participants to and fro from Bhopal, (Madhya Pradesh).

The fee can be remitted through a Banker's Cheque / Draft payable at Delhi in favour of The Fertiliser Association of India. The payment also can be made by NEFT/RTGS transaction through Canara Bank; Branch: Jit Singh Marg, New Delhi – 110 067; Saving Bank A/c. No.: 1484101006029; SWIFT/IFSC/RTGS: CNRB0001484 under intimation to us. (FAI GSTIN: 07AAACT0097M1Z3).

VENUE FOR TRAINING PROGRAM

ICAR-Indian Institute of Soil Science, Bhopal, MP

ICAR-Indian Institute of Soil Science
Nabibagh, Berasia Road,
Bhopal - 462 038,
Madhya Pradesh



REQUEST FOR NOMINATION

We have to be absolutely specific with the training program about the number of participants. It is, therefore, requested that nomination of the participants reaches us latest by the **30 June 2025**. Early communication on nominations will be highly appreciated, as we have only a limited number of seats for this training program.



REGISTRATION

Registration form duly filled in along with the participation fee by Demand Draft/Bankers' Cheque may please be sent to:

Dr. Kabita Debnath Das
Chief (Agricultural Sciences)
The Fertiliser Association of India
FAI House, 10, Shaheed Jit Singh Marg
New Delhi - 110 067
Phone: +91-11-46005211; 9313561090
ags@faidelhi.org www.faidelhi.org

REGISTRATION FORM

Regulatory Pathway for Registration of Fertiliser Products in India

7-10 July 2025,

ICAR – Indian Institute of Soil Science, Bhopal (Madhya Pradesh)

To:
Chief (Agricultural Sciences)
The Fertiliser Association of India
FAI House, 10 Shaheed Jit Singh Marg
New Delhi – 110 067

Please register the following for the above program:

Sl. No.	Name in Capital Letters(Dr./Mr./Ms.)	Designation	Organization and Postal Address	Mobile / Phone (O)	Email / Fax
1.					
2.					
3.					
4.					
5.					

Sponsored by: Name: Designation:

Email: Signature:Date:

For raising invoice, please provide following additional information:

PAN Number: GST Number:

Billing Address: Contact Person...

.....
.....

Photocopies can be used, if additional forms are needed.
You may also email the filled in nomination form to ags@faidelhi.org