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## PPV&FRA Celebrates 20<sup>th</sup> Foundation Day

Padma Bhushan Awardee Dr RS Paroda, Chairman, Trust for Advancement of Agricultural Sciences (TAAS), Former Director General, Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) and Secretary, Department of Agricultural Research and Education (DARE), Government of India, was invited as Chief Guest during celebration of 20<sup>th</sup> Foundation Day PPV&FRA, on 11 November 2024 at NAAS Auditorium, New Delhi.

Dr Paroda delivered an address, emphasizing the critical role of farmers in conservation and use of agrobiodiversity. He also advocated for registration of all extant varieties released by NARS. To ensure efficient conservation engaging by farmers, Dr Paroda advocated for enhanced allocation of resources for Gene Fund.



