

The lecture received outstanding feedback from the distinguished scientists in attendance, whose impressions are highlighted below:

Great presentation, Respected Sir.

Your insightful deliberations on agriculture, rural development, and the pivotal role of Indian farmers were truly inspiring. The presentation effectively highlighted the immense contribution of our Scientific community and our farmers in ensuring food security, sustaining the rural economy, and supporting the nation's growth. Your vision for strengthening agriculture through innovation, technology, and farmer-centric policies was both enlightening and motivating. Thank you for sharing your valuable thoughts and experiences. It was an enriching and thought-provoking presentation.

Best regards,

MS Chauhan

Former VC, GBPUAT, Pantnagar

Sir,

Thank you so much for accepting our invitation and delivering an excellent lecture. Listening to you is always a learning opportunity for me. I apologise I couldn't meet you after the lecture, as I had to leave by 5 pm to take Bhubaneswar flight to join the Regional Consultation of BSHP scheduled tomorrow.

Regards 🙏

Dr Dwivedi,

Secretary, NAAS

Respected sir. We learnt a new perspective to focus upon for the growth of agriculture. Sir your presentation was highly insightful. It is always enriching to listen to you sir. Regards 🙏🙏

Padaria, JDE, IARI

Delighted by your insightful and thought provoking Swaminathan Memorial Lecture. Attended online.

Hearty congratulations. 🙌🙌

Dr Naik, former VC, Shivamoga

Good afternoon. It was an excellent lecture, very informative, positive and inspirational. You probably left soon after the lecture. I will be leaving tomorrow morning. So may be we talk on phone or zoom later. Thank you so much for everything you have done for Indian and global agricultural institutions. 🙌

Dr Vara Prasad

Kansas University

Enjoyed your lecture - professionally wholesome, informative, educative, inspiring. Take home point if farmers prosper India prospers. Your slides were a treat to see and source of education

My congratulations 🙌

JC Katyal

Dear Sir,

What a lecture sir.

I am speechless, mesmerized and in awe of you being there blessings generations.

Charansparsh Sir

Regards

Anupama Singh

Dean, IARI

Respected Dr Paroda ji,

Sincere and heartfelt congratulations on delivering an inspiring speech on the occasion of the Prof. M.S. Swaminathan Foundation Day lecture yesterday at NAAS.

Your extraordinary contributions to research and institution-building in agriculture have made a significant impact on agriculture in our nation. The lecture delivered by you was a reflective of your entire journey linked with Indian Agriculture which gives us tremendous insights into the way ahead towards prosperity of farmers and creation of Krishak Pradhan Bharat.

Warm regards.

Sanjay Kumar

Jai Shree Krishna

Suprabhatam

You probably left the NASC complex immediately after the lecture...

Hope all is well. I relished your lecture yesterday...

Very aptly highlighting the road map for furthering the pace of transformation in various domains of Agriculture.

Your seven-pointed focus was quite appropriate, ...in tune with the prevailing fluxes of agricultural development.

Have a blissful weekend.

Dr BL Jalali

Your lecture was indeed visionary clearly identifying the 7 thrust areas for urgent action to boost the growth of agriculture and farmers' prosperity and achieving SDGs at a faster pace. I enjoyed the presentation from many angles. Best regards

Bhag Mal, TAAS

Hon'ble Dr R S Paroda Sir IN IN

Thank you for sharing the Zoom meeting link. It gave me the privilege of attending your lecture, which was truly invaluable for me. 🙏🙏

I was particularly moved by your statement, "भारत कृषि प्रधान देश तो रहा है पर कृषक को प्रधान नहीं बना पाया." These words reflect your deep concern for farmers and your lifelong commitment to Indian agriculture 🙏

I would also like to mention that during the programme, Prof. Ramesh Chandra Sir beautifully highlighted your remarkable contributions. At the same time, it made me realize that a lifetime of service, vision, and leadership such as yours cannot be fully captured in a single speech or a single day. Even after reading Code Paroda, one continues to discover new dimensions of your inspiring journey and contributions to Indian agriculture 😊😊

Listening to your thoughts was a privilege and a learning experience that I will always cherish ✨

With deepest respect and regards 🙏🙏

Anand Paroda

Sir,

Good morning,

The above feedback are true reflections of the extremely well articulated lecture delivered by you, a befitting tribute to the memory of Dr. Swaminathan, which none other than you could have done in the manner it was done because you have known Prof. Swaminathan, Indian Agriculture and Indian farmers so intimately. It was blessings for the Academy to have you deliver the Foundation Day lecture. A truly memorable one.

We look forward to final copy of the Foundation Day Lecture for printing it from Academy and circulating it to concerned Ministries, Departments and also sharing with NARS institutions for its wider circulation. Lecture was attended online by large number of participants.

With kind regards.

Ashok Singh

Secretary, NAAS

You are always the best! Brings so much positive vibes with you. Everyone was speechless and there was pin drop silence during your presentation and the hall was full.

Wished if you could have spent more time with us all before and after the presentation 🌻 🌻

Gurinder Randhawa

Reaction on Dr Randhawa's remarks by Dr Padaria:

Respected sir. She is absolutely correct. I too endorse her observations and feelings. We are blessed to have a visionary leader, thinker and intellectual like you sir, who has continuously taken Agricultural Research, Education and Extension to a glorious and respectable orbit. We continue to learn several virtues from your persona. Our best regards.

Dear sir,

Your speech in the NAAS yesterday (MSS Foundation Lecture) was outstanding!

Nerkar, former VC, Rahuri

Dear Sir

It was a wonderful synthesis towards future Indian farming. Green to Evergreen. Digital to FPOs.

Youth to Women. Few slides but with effective messages and attractive. Well connected with Ecosystems. A great Dr MS Swaminathan Lecture of NAAS on its Foundation Day.

Best regards

Ch Srinivasa Rao

Director, IARI

Respected sir, your insight and messages are not comparable with anyone. Giving my observation will be just like showing a diya to a Sun. You are more than Sun for not only Indian but global agriculture sir. 🙏

SN Jha, DDG (Engg)

Wonderful feedback indeed, reflecting the kind of extraordinary presentation, adding new dimensions, minimum slides with so much depth and breadth in it, truly visionary and highly inspiring. Most befitting to the name of Swaminathan. During my student days at IARI I had an opportunity to similar class of presentations by none other than Swaminathan, Borlaug, Paintal DG, ICMR etc. In recent years, I haven't heard such a thoughtful lecture, which would probably go down as historic one in shaking soul of Indian Agriculture.

Hearty congratulations. Better to circulate it to policymakers. Looking forward for some more such inspiring lectures in the near future

Respectful Regards

M.K. Naik, Former VC

I heard this lecture on youtube on 17 June. Let me say again I have never heard such a illuminating lecture. Each and every word of the lecture was precious. This lecture should become a Bible for agricultural scientists in India and undoubtedly for those working in International institutions.

Retd. Prof. PD Tyagi, HAU, Hisar

This was outstanding and tall among concepts and thoughts which touch us in the area of agriculture and farmers welfare. With appropriate slides, you conquered not only thought of the audience but carried them to the future of Indian agriculture, delivering such oration which touched the transformational aspects

of Indian agriculture and particularly the caution and the challenges which we have to face. Your words and thought process is taking you to a place, a pinnacle your professional standing, and we feel proud of it. I enjoyed your lecture very much.

Wishing you all the best and hoping to have more from you in future

ML Madan, Former DDG (AS), ICAR

Sir

Excellent articulation of the requirements of our country. Eye catching and doable key aspects that are warranted sir. Have lots of relevance in the present day context
Sir!

Key take home points and points to ponder and kick start.

Dignity to the farmers - their FIRST RIGHT

Farm family- The epitome of existence for the society. Need to work with passion for their quality of life.

Disruptive technology

Women as the change agents (Coincides with the year 2026 being declared as The International year of the women farmer)

Malnutrition

Technology scale neutral

Attracting Youth in agriculture (End to End Solutions)

Production centric to income centric

Value chains

Faith in Science

Improvement of plant health ecosystem towards OHC (I often discussed this point with my good friend Dr Pravin Malik, that we have to be visible on the OHOW).

Nice that you have made this point sir, which has lots of relevance to the negative externalities on the agri and livestock.

Initiating and institute for the farmers on line with GST

Convergence between Central and State Governments

Dr Ramana Rao

Respected Sir

Hearty congratulations for your very informative lecture presenting the present scenario of agriculture in India. Most important point is your guidance about what to do in future and roadmap to achieve the same which is seldom talked about in any other lectures. It will provide guide line to those who are directly involved in policy making. I thought it was real tribute to the legacy of Bharat Ratna Late Dr. Swaminathan Sir. And this ,from his most illustrious student(you) is something special.

Sir, As I know you as straightforward person , I was expecting something about so called trade deal between India and USA and its impact on prosperity of Indian farmers. There are very few persons and you one of them could speak boldly on sensitive issues like this. This lecture would have provided some tips to the Govt. of the day to think about. Farmers will produce as you said but prosperity will come only if they get good returns and conducive conditions prevail in terms of global economic stability.

Once again sincere thanks to you for giving feast of thoughtful lecture which will be remembered for long time. With respectful regards.

Dr SN Puri, former VC, CAU. Imphal

Respected Sir

Thanks a lot for sharing the lecture details

Your insightful Swaminathan lecture on Farm/Farmer Security sustainability Food Security.

With an introduction to Bharat Ratna his vision, contribution.

Providing roadmap to Agriculture in Viksit Bharat with listing of five pillars for reimagining the future of Indian agriculture, with a strong emphasis on sustainability, regenerative agriculture practices, and integrated farming systems, was truly inspiring. It was a big learning experience for all of us. Thank you for sharing your vision and valuable insights.

Regards.

Manish Kumar, Director, CIGR, Mathura
