

ICAR-IISS Bhopal inks MoU with Solidaridad for Farm-Advisories on Soil Health Management

ICAR-Indian Institute of Soil Science (IISS), Bhopal renewed the Memorandum of Understanding with the Soildaridad Regional Expertise Centre (SREC) today. The MoU is meant for a collaboration for promotion of customized farm advisories and mass awareness to stakeholders including farmers in Regenerative Agriculture and Soil Health management.

Dr. Ashok K. Patra, Director, ICAR-IISS, Bhopal and Ms. Monika Khanna, Country Manager- India, Soildaridad Regional Expertise Centre (SREC) signed the Memorandum on 27th Sep 2022. With the MoU, the ICAR-IISS, Bhopal and SREC have agreed for collaborative programmes in the fields of participatory outreach programs by giving customized agro-advisories to farmers to promote regenerative agriculture and improve soil health for national interest. ICAR-IISS and SREC have also agreed to promote sustainable agricultural production, and work together for trainings and capacity building programmes of farmers in different aspects of Soil health assessment and management.

Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Patra, Director, ICAR IISS expressed the confidence that the MoU will help both the organizations to conduct programmes jointly on important national and international programs like; World Soil Day, International Women's Day, World Food Day, National Nutrition Month, World Environment Day and many more similar days on the emerging issues in farm-advisories and will assist in the challenging task of doubling the farmers' income. The MOU shall initially be valid for a period of two years and extendable with mutual consent. Dr. R. Elanchezhian I/c PME Cell of ICAR-IISS, Bhopal and Dr. Suresh Motwani of SREC were identified as Nodal Officers for coordinating with the organizations for the outreach activities. Dr Pradip Dey, PC STCR, Dr. J. Somasundaram, PS & SAO, Dr M. V. Coumar, Sr. Scientist, ICAR-IISS, Bhopal, Dr. Mili Ghosh and Dr. Priya Pagnis SREC and other senior officials of both the organizations graced the occasion.


