

February 10-11, 2011

Venue: Hall of Culture, Nehru Centre, Worli, Mumbai

Theme: Opportunities, Challenges, Innovations and Imperatives for Growth of Indian Agrochemical Industry



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# The Industry...

India is the fourth largest producer of agrochemicals globally, after United States, Japan and China. The agrochemicals industry is a significant industry for the Indian economy. The Indian agrochemicals market grew at a rate of 11% from USD 1.22 billion in FY08 to an estimated USD 1.36 billion in FY09. India's agrochemicals consumption is one of the lowest in the world with per hectare consumption of just 0.58 Kg compared to US (4.5 Kg/ha) and Japan (11 Kg/ha). In India, paddy accounts for the maximum share of pesticide consumption, around 28%, followed by cotton (20%). Indian population is increasing and the per capita size of land decreasing, the use of pesticides in India has to improve further. Besides increasing in domestic consumption, the exports by the Indian Agrochemicals Industry can be doubled in the next four years if proper strategies and sophisticated technologies are adopted by the industry.

## **Industry Structure...**

In India, there are about 125 technical grade manufacturers (10 multinationals), 800 formulators, over 145,000 distributors. 60 technical grade pesticides are being manufactured indigenously. Technical grade manufacturers sell high purity chemicals in bulk (generally in drums of 200-250 Kg) to formulators. Formulators, in turn, prepare formulations by adding inert carriers, solvents, surface active agents, deodorants etc. These formulations are packed for retail sale and bought by the farmers.

The Indian agrochemicals market is characterized by low capacity utilization. The total installed capacity in FY09 was 146,000 tons and total production was 85,000 tons leading to a low capacity utilization of 58%. The industry suffers from high inventory (owing to seasonal & irregular demand on account of monsoons) and long credit periods to farmers, thus making operations 'working capital' intensive.

India due to its inherent strength of low-cost manufacturing and qualified low-cost manpower is a net exporter of pesticides to countries such as USA and some European & African countries. Exports formed ~50% of total industry turnover in FY08 and have achieved a Compounded Annual Growth Rate (CAGR) of 29% from FY04 to FY08.

## **Key Segments...**

Insecticides: Insecticides are used to ward off or kill insects.

Consumption of insecticides for cotton has come down to 50% from 63% of total volume after introduction of BT cotton.

**Fungicides:** Fungicides are used to control disease attacks on crops. The growing horticulture market in India owing to the government support has given a boost to fungicide usage. The market share of fungicides has increased from 16% in 2004 to 20% in 2009.

**Herbicides:** Herbicides are the fastest growing segment of agrochemicals. Their main competition is cheap labor which is employed to manually pull out weeds. Sales are seasonal, owing to the fact that weeds flourish in damp, warm weather and die in cold spells.

**Bio-pesticides:** Bio-pesticides are pesticides derived from natural substances like animals, plants, bacteria and certain minerals. Currently a small segment, bio-pesticides market is expected to grow in the future owing to government support and increasing awareness about use of non-toxic, environment friendly pesticides.

**Others:** Plant growth regulators, Nematocides, Rodenticides, Fumigants etc. Rodenticides and plant growth regulators are the stars of this segment.



## About the event...

FICCI jointly with Dept. of Chemicals & Petrochemicals is organizing "Conference on Agrochemicals-2011" on February 10-11, 2011 at Hall of Culture, Nehru Centre, Mumbai. The theme of the conference is "Opportunities, Challenges, Innovations and Imperatives for Growth of Indian Agrochemical Industry". The conference is supported by Cropcare Federation of India, CropLife India and PMFAI. FICCI's conference on agrochemicals is an attempt to find out the problem and issues being faced by the industry, to debate on the issues and to enhance the growth of the industry.

## Objectives...

- To showcase the potential of Indian Agrochemical sectors and highlight the business opportunities in the sector.
- To focus on challenges & issues being faced by the industry and strategies to overcome these challenges.
- To discuss the marketing techniques and strategies that needs to be undertaken to enhance growth in Agriculture output.
- To understand importance of R & D, Regulatory & IPR issues in agrochemicals.
- To have the in-depth analysis on market penetration in the current scenario and learn about cropcare protection and thereby increasing agriculture production.
- To learn about Environment Friendly Pesticides.
- To understand and know about the recent developments, trends, challenges and make strategic recommendations for development in the agrochemical industry.

## Who Should Participate...

CEOs, Engineers, Technocrats and Scientist

Marketing Chief, Professionals and Consultants

- Policy and decision makers
- Industry Associations
- Contract Research
   Organizations and contract manufacturers
- Head-R & D, Regulatory Affairs and Quality Managers



## **Sessions Coverage...**

- Emerging Trends, Challenges & Opportunities in the Indian Agrichemicals Industry
- Use of Environmental Friendly Pesticides
- Role of Plant Protection in Meeting Food Shortages
- Role of R & D in Agrochemicals, Regulatory and IPR Issues
- Emerging Market for Crop Care Protection

# **Delegate Registration**

Indian Nationals:
INR 5,000 per person

Foreign Nationals: USD 175 per person

(Includes Indian residing abroad and foreigner residing in India)

## **Incentives**

*	FICCI Members:	INR 4,000 per person
*	For 2 or more delegates from the same Co:	INR 4,000 per person
*	For 5 or more delegates from the same Co:	INR 3,500 per person

#### Please note:

- The delegate fee includes the conference registration, delegate kit, conference literature lunches, cocktails & dinner.
- It does not include airfare, hotel stay or any other incidental expenses.
- Please mention the FICCI Membership number in the Registration Form to avail the discount

## **Cancellation Policy for Registration:**

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## **Branding Opportunities...**

Conference on Agrochemicals is offering a unique branding opportunity to companies for promoting new products, new innovations and services to the existing and new customers through the following options.....

*	Platinum Partner	INR 3 Lacs
*	Gold Partner	INR 2 Lacs
*	Silver Partner	INR 1 Lac
*	Cocktails & Dinner Partner	INR 2.5 Lacs
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*	Lunch Partner	INR 2 Lacs
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#### **Platinum Partner (INR 3 Lacs)**

- Display of Company Logo as "Platinum Partner" at side Panel of Conference Backdrop.
- Seven Complimentary delegate passes for the conference.
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- You may also register online at www.ficci.com, The online payment is through credit card only.
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Kindly send duly filled in registration form to:

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