

**Special Lecture on “Agriculture and the Environment” by Prof. Rattan Lal, OHU,
Columbus on 12/03/2018**

Director, IARI invited Prof. Rattan Lal, President, International Union of Soil Sciences and Director, Carbon Management and Sequestration Centre, The Ohio State University, Columbus to deliver a talk on “Agriculture and the Environment”. Prof. Rattan Lal delivered the talk on 12/03/2018 in Dr. B.P. Pal Auditorium, wherein he highlighted the significance of soil health restoration for sustained growth of agriculture. He emphasized that soil health is so closely linked with the animal and human health, and with the environment that a continued neglect of the former would cause a significant detriment to the latter. He underlined the significance of crop diversification, conservation agriculture, enhancing input the efficiency and suitable policy reforms to achieved desired soil health leading to sustained agricultural productivity. The lecture was chaired by Dr. R.S. Paroda, Chairman, TAAS and former Secretary, DARE and DG, ICAR, and attended by senior research leaders including Dr. R.B. Singh, Chancellor, CAU, former Vice-chancellors, Directors of sister institutes, Heads and faculty of different Divisions of IARI and students.