## **Press Note**

## **Punjab Farmers Felicitated Director IARI**

Dr. Ashok Kumar Singh, Director and Vice Chancellor of the Indian Institution of Agricultural Research, New Delhi was felicitated by the Progressive Farmers' Association Sangrur on May 14, 2023, for his outstanding contribution in the promotion of quality production and export of basmati through development of several important varieties. The latest varieties PB -1847 and PB-1885 has become popular choices among the farmers of Punjab and Haryana. Speaking on the occasion Dr. A. K. Singh highlighted that the new Basmati Rice varieties developed by the PUSA Institute, such as PB-1847, PB-1885, and PB-1886 are expected to benefit farmers and increase their income. Padma awardee farmer Sh. Sethpal Singh highlighted the contribution of IARI in farmers' welfare. He exhorted all the farmers in the function to continuously adopt newer methods and varieties for enhancing production and income while conserving the environment.

Along with 200 farmers, Sh. Sukhminder Singh Bhattal (President, PFA), Sh. Sukhjit Singh Bhangu (Secretary, PFA), Darshan Singh Nenewal (Bharati Kisan Morcha Unit Punjab). Sh. Jaswinder Singh Grewal (Joint Director Agriculture Department Punjab), Dr. Jagmohan Singh, Parhat Singh (a You Tuber), Dr. Renu Singh, Naresh Kumar Patra, Dr. Daler Singh, Gurmel Singh Gahila and Harpreet Singh Kamalpur graced the occasion.



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