

## Farmers Join Hands in Human Chain at ICAR-IARI Assam under Swachhotsav 2025

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ICAR–IARI Assam organized a **Human Chain Formation** on 25<sup>th</sup> September 2025 at its campus as part of *Swachhotsav 2025*, aligning with the national vision of Swachh Bharat. The programme was held under the visionary leadership of Dr. Ch. Srinivasa Rao, Director, ICAR–IARI, New Delhi, who consistently encourage the critical role of agricultural institutions in mobilizing farmers for social and environmental causes as well as for collective action towards cleanliness and sustainability.

The event was uniquely conducted through a **farmers’ participatory approach**, which turned the occasion into a symbol of unity and shared responsibility. Farmers from nearby villages joined hands with IARI Assam staff, forming a **long human chain across the campus** to demonstrate their commitment to cleanliness and sustainable living. Nearly **100 farmers** actively participated, carrying forward the message that *a cleaner environment begins with collective effort*. The chain of farmers and scientists together sent out a powerful reminder that agriculture is not only about producing food but also about nurturing healthy communities and a healthy planet. By linking hands, participants symbolized the connection between **science, society, and sustainability**, echoing the true spirit of the **Swachh Bharat Abhiyan**. The event was successfully coordinated by Dr. Lohit Baishya, Dr. Arpan Bhowmik, Dr. Rahul Singh, Dr. P. K. Mishra, Dr. Bornalee Handique, and Mr. Jitender Singh Gaite, with enthusiastic support from scientists, staff, and farmers



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