



International Summit on Agri-Startups

Technology, Innovations and Services
for Sustainable Agricultural
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Background Note

Agriculture is at the heart of economic growth, rural prosperity, food and nutrition security, and global competitiveness. Yet, the sector is undergoing a profound transformation. The focus is moving beyond increasing production towards enhancing farmer incomes, strengthening value chains, fostering entrepreneurship, managing emerging risks, and building technology-enabled, climate-resilient and sustainable agricultural systems.

In this transformation, Agri-startups are emerging as powerful drivers of change. By identifying real-world challenges faced by farmers and converting them into innovative, practical and scalable solutions, startups are redefining how agricultural technologies, services and markets are developed and delivered. Their growing contributions span precision agriculture, digital advisory, financial services, input delivery, post-harvest management, logistics, market access, climate-smart solutions and data-driven decision-making.

As the Agri-startup ecosystem continues to evolve, there is a pressing need to create synergies, foster innovation, enable robust market linkages and strengthen mechanisms that facilitate the transition from innovation to impact. The International Summit on Agri-Startups: Technology, Innovations and Services for Sustainable Agricultural Development provides a global platform for bringing together innovators, policymakers, entrepreneurs, researchers, investors and ecosystem enablers to explore and accelerate the scaling of innovations across agriculture and allied sectors. With India emerging as a dynamic hub for agri-innovation and entrepreneurship, the Summit will provide a unique opportunity to showcase India's innovation ecosystem while connecting it with global opportunities, technologies, investments and partnerships.

The Summit will catalyse strategic collaborations, facilitate technology and market linkages, stimulate investment, and foster dialogue on policies and institutional mechanisms required to scale impactful innovations. Ultimately, it seeks to contribute to farmer-centric, inclusive and sustainable agricultural transformation while strengthening India's position as a trusted partner and global leader in the agri-food innovation ecosystem.

Objectives



Fostering international collaboration and facilitating cross-border exchange of knowledge, technologies and best practices for advancing sustainable agricultural development.



Providing a global platform for showcasing emerging technologies, innovative solutions, business models and investment opportunities shaping the future of agriculture.



Identifying policy priorities and shaping actionable pathways to address emerging challenges and accelerate the scaling of Agri-startups and innovations.



Strengthening the enabling ecosystem for Agri-entrepreneurship through strategic partnerships, market linkages and institutional support.

Key Themes



Digital & AI-Driven Agriculture

AI, data analytics, precision agriculture, automation, digital advisory and smart farming solutions.



Climate-Resilient & Sustainable Agriculture.

Innovations addressing climate risks, resource efficiency, regenerative practices and sustainable production systems.



Agri-FinTech & Innovative Financing

Digital finance, risk management, alternative financing models and investment pathways for Agri-startups and farmers.



Value Chain & Market Innovations

Innovations in inputs, post-harvest management, logistics, traceability, processing, branding and market access.



From Innovation to Scale

Technology adoption, commercialization, business models, scaling strategies and pathways from pilot to widespread impact.



Farmer-Centric & Inclusive Innovation

Solutions designed around farmer needs, with emphasis on smallholders, women, youth and inclusive entrepreneurship.



Policy, Partnerships & Ecosystem Building

Enabling policies, institutional support, public-private partnerships, incubation, acceleration and cross-border collaboration.

Key Features of the Summit



Agri-Talks: Ideas, Innovations & Impact

Inspiring talks by renowned Agri-startup founders, entrepreneurs, innovators and ecosystem leaders sharing their journeys, breakthrough ideas and perspectives on the future of agriculture.



Panel Discussions: Shaping the Future of Agri-Innovation

Expert-led conversations on emerging trends and challenges in Agri-innovation, including technology adoption, farmer needs, sustainability, and markets.



Startup Pavilion: Pitch, Partner & Scale

A dedicated platform for Agri-startups to present their products, technologies and business models to investors, industry and other potential partners.



Policy Roundtable: Enabling the Agri-Startup Ecosystem

A focused dialogue among policymakers, experts and ecosystem leaders on regulatory frameworks, institutional support, financing mechanisms and policy priorities for a thriving Agri-startup ecosystem.



Agri-Innovation Exhibition: Showcasing Solutions for Tomorrow's Agriculture

A showcase of emerging technologies, products and services from Agri-startups, research institutions and industry, featuring live demonstrations and interactive displays.

Participants Contribution

Send your contributions for Agri - Talks, Startup Pavilion and Agri - Innovation Exhibition related to the summit themes through Google form on or before January 10, 2027

Expected Outcomes

- ✓ **Strategic Partnerships:** New connections among startups, investors, researchers, government, industry and international organizations.
- ✓ **Visibility:** Greater visibility and market exposure for promising Agri-startups and innovations.
- ✓ **Action Agenda for Agri-Innovation:** A shared agenda identifying policy priorities and practical pathways for overcoming barriers to innovation scaling.
- ✓ **Investment & Scale:** New opportunities for investment, commercialization, technology partnerships and market expansion.
- ✓ **Sustainable Impact:** Stronger farmer-centric innovation systems contributing to sustainable agricultural development and improved value creation.

Who Can Participate

- ✓ Policymakers & Government Officials
- ✓ Agri-Startups, Entrepreneurs & Ecosystem Enablers
- ✓ Agricultural Extension Professionals and Departments
- ✓ Academia, Universities & Research Institutions
- ✓ Industry & Technology Companies
- ✓ Development Agencies & International Organizations
- ✓ Farmer Organizations, FPOs & Agri-Value Chain Stakeholders
- ✓ Innovation & Entrepreneurship Support Organizations
- ✓ Investors & Financial Institutions

Registration

Interested participants may register by filling out the Google Form Registration using the link or QR code provided below on or before *January 10, 2027*



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