

Workshop & Demonstration of Portable FTIR Technology, 10th July 2015

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION

CropLife India organised a workshop and demonstration of portable FTIR technology on 10th July, 2015 in Faridabad. The workshop was presided over by **Dr. J.S Sandhu** DDG (CS) & Agriculture Commissioner, ICAR, **Dr S N Sushil**, Plant Protection Advisor, Department of Plant Protection, Quarantine & Storage and **Dr. B.S. Phogat**, Secretary, CIB&RC. Representatives from techno-legal experts from CIB&RC, CIL, industry and representatives from State agricultural departments participated in the Workshop. Following the address from the guests of honor, Croplife India and International Experts presented the current scenario of proliferation of illegal products and the global best practices on use of FTIR technologies to address the growing concern on spurious/illegal products. Croplife International Experts also demonstrated the Portable FTIR instrument by randomly screening different crop protection products. A few Bio-products were screened on the spot and the FTIR instrument was promptly able to detect pesticides in those Bio-products.

The Workshop concluded that FTIR is an effective tool in screening and a Pilot Project was proposed to be implemented in collaboration between Department of Agriculture and co-operation and Croplife India.



Demonstration of Portable FTIR technology by CropLife International Expert



Left to Right: Guest of Honor- Dr. B.S. Phogat, Secretary, CIB&RC., Dr. J.S Sandhu DDG (CS) & Agriculture Commissioner, ICAR and Dr S N Sushil, Plant Protection Advisor, Department of Plant Protection, Quarantine & Storage addressing the gathering.

Glimpses of the CropLife India Workshop and Demonstration on Portable FTIR technology