

Amravati District Administration and CropLife India raises awareness in medical fraternity of Amravati, Maharashtra Expert on medical toxicology imparts education on “Recognition, Management and Treatment of Accidental Agrochemical Exposed Patients”

CropLife India in collaboration with Amravati District Administration, organized a Continuing Medical Education (CME) Program for the Doctors on 7 November 2019 in Amravati, Maharashtra. The Program aimed at disseminating the information to the doctors and reorienting them on “Recognition, Management and Treatment of Pesticide exposed patients”, ensuring medical practitioners are equipped to treat patients affected by pesticide poisoning.

The reorientation workshop session led by Dr. Debabrata Kanungo, was attended by around 150 doctors from government and private hospitals in and around Amravati, Maharashtra. The workshop was part of CropLife India’s Stewardship program, which intends to guide the doctors to deal with accidental poisoning incidents occurred during improper or unsafe application of agro-chemicals.

Shri Shelesh Nawal, IAS, District Collector, Amravati and Mr. Vijay Thumake, Chief Executive Officer, Zila Parishad, Amravati, presided the function. Shri Vijay Chawale, District Superintendent of Agriculture, Dr. Shamsundar Nikam, Civil Surgeon, Amravati, other Government officials and delegates from our member companies and industry, were present on the occasion.

CropLife India has developed a digital edition for Health Practitioners' Handbook and hosted it on our website. We request Medical Practitioners to visit the CropLife India website <http://croplifeindia.org/> and click on the ‘Doctors' Manual’ tab on top right corner”.

Our achievements included-

- Participation and appreciation from top level officials from Govt. District Collector, CEO Zonal Parishad, Chief Surgeon Amravati, Agriculture Officer, Amravati.
- Highly interactive participation and knowledge sharing by 70+ Doctors from Public Health centres (PHCs) in Amravati.
- Excellent training session conducted by Dr Kanungo (Expert, Medical Toxicology and Human Health Risk Assessment; Chairman, Scientific Panel on Pesticide Residues; Member, Scientific Panel on Food Additive, FSSAI and Former Additional Director General, Min. of Health & FW, Govt.of India)
- Proactive Industry participation – BASF, Bayer, Corteva, Dhanuka, FMC, PI, Rallis, Sumitomo etc
- Extensive media coverage, print media and online- more than 8 newspapers covered the event.

