

Policy Dialogue on Accelerating Sustainable and Inclusive Agricultural Growth in Bihar

21 May 2025 | 2:30 – 6:30 PM
Bihar Chamber of Commerce & Industries, Patna

AGENDA

02:30 – 03:00	Registration
03:00 – 04:00	INAUGURAL SESSION Chief Guest: Hon'ble Shri Vijay Kumar Sinha, Deputy Chief Minister, Government of Bihar
03:00 – 03:05	Welcome Address Shri Subhash Kumar Patwari <i>President, Bihar Chamber of Commerce & Industries (BCCI)</i>
03:05 – 03:10	Opening Remarks Shri Ajay Kumar <i>Editor, BiharTimes</i>
03:10 – 03:20	Context Setting Dr. Anjani Kumar <i>Senior Research Fellow, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)</i>
03:20 – 03:30	Remarks by Chief Guest Hon'ble Shri Vijay Kumar Sinha <i>Deputy Chief Minister, Government of Bihar</i>
03:30 – 04:00	High-Tea & Group Photo
04:00 – 06:15	PANEL DISCUSSION: Accelerating Sustainable and Inclusive Agricultural Growth in Bihar Chairperson: Dr. P K Joshi, President, Agricultural Economics Research Association (AERA), India
04:00 – 04:10	Presentation 1: Doubling Farmers' Income in Bihar and the role of integrated farm and non-farm systems Dr. Anjani Kumar & Ms. Vanshika Pahwa <i>Senior Research Fellow, IFPRI & Research Analyst, IFPRI</i>

04:10– 04:20	Presentation 2: Role of Credit in Agricultural Development in Bihar Dr. Suil Kumar <i>Former Chief General Manager NABARD & Associate Dean Chandragupt Institute of Management Patna (CIMP)</i>
04:20 – 04:30	Presentation 3: Role of secondary agriculture for sustainable and inclusive agri-transformation Dr. Ritambhara Singh <i>Associate Professor (Agribusiness Management), Dr. Rajendra Prasad Central Agricultural University (RPCAU)</i>
04:30 – 04:40	Presentation 4: Organic and natural farming – A practitioner’s perspective Shri Gopal Shahi <i>Agriculture Practitioner</i>
04:40 – 05:30	Panel Discussion Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Dr Alka Singh</i> • <i>Col. BB Singh</i> • <i>Shri Sudhansu Kumar</i> • <i>Shri Kaushalendra</i> • <i>Dr. Nalini Ranjan Kumar</i> • <i>Dr. Swati Neha</i> <i>*Other leading farmers, representatives from financial institutions & entrepreneurs</i>
05:30 – 06:00	Open Discussion
06:00 – 06:10	Remarks by Chairperson Dr. P K Joshi <i>President, Agricultural Economics Research Association (AERA), India</i>
06:10 – 06:30	Vote of Thanks Shri Pashupati Pandey <i>General Secretary, Bihar Chamber of Commerce and Industries</i>
07:30 onwards	Dinner <i>(at Hotel Maurya)</i>