

Ethiopian Ambassador visits ICAR–IARI, New Delhi

New Delhi, August 14, 2026: H.E. Ambassador Nebiyu Tedla, Chargé d’Affaires and Deputy Head of Mission at the Embassy of Ethiopia in New Delhi along with other officials, visited the ICAR-Indian Agricultural Research Institute (ICAR-IARI), New Delhi.

Welcoming the delegation, Dr. Ch. Srinivasa Rao, Director of ICAR-IARI, highlighted the institute’s historic contribution to transforming India from a food-deficit nation into a food-surplus country. Dr. Rao briefed the delegation on the mandate and contributions of the ICAR-IARI to the advancement of Indian agriculture. He highlighted the institute’s achievements in developing high-yielding and climate-resilient crop varieties, promoting Integrated Farming Systems (IFS), precision agriculture, protected cultivation, and sustainable natural resource management. He also emphasized IARI’s advanced research infrastructure and academic excellence. The discussions focused on the shared challenges faced by India and Ethiopia, including meeting growing food and nutritional demands, addressing the adverse impacts of climate change, and promoting mechanization suitable for small and medium-sized landholdings. Dr. Rao noted that Ethiopia, along with other countries in Asia and Africa, could benefit from technologies developed by ICAR-IARI as well as its capacity-building and training programmes.

During the visit, the delegation toured the Nanaji Deshmukh Plant Phenomics Facility Centre—one of the world’s largest plant phenomics facilities, the Integrated Farming System Model, and the Centre for Protected Cultivation Technology (CPCT). The visit provided the delegation with first-hand exposure to ICAR-IARI’s advanced research facilities and innovative technologies for sustainable agricultural development.



