

Swasth Dhara Khet Haraa

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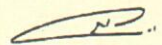
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The year 2015 is being celebrated as "International Year of Soils" and 5th December is 'World Soil Day'. India joins the world in celebrating the importance of soil and its role in the overall development and the welfare of our country.

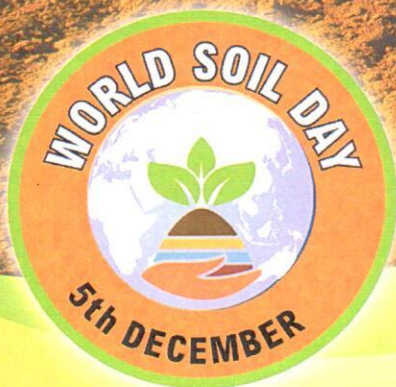
Our Government has launched a comprehensive Soil Health Card Scheme, which aims at collecting soil samples and testing them in laboratories to generate Soil Health Cards for every farmer in the country.

On this occasion, I urge all farmer friends to take advantage of this scheme, get their soil tested, and follow the recommendations they receive through the Soil Health Card.

New Delhi
4 Dec, 2015


(Narendra Modi)

As we celebrate
"WORLD SOIL DAY"
on December 5, 2015,
let us all pledge to take care of
Soil Health



Towards improving Soil Health –
Comprehensive Soil Health Card scheme launched
by Government of India in 2015



Farmers may contact their
local Agriculture Department Official

World Soil Day signifies the importance of soil in food security. It aims to raise awareness on the importance of soil health as 95% of our food production is linked to soil. We, therefore, need to nurture our soil.

Soil Health Management practices for sustained soil fertility include:

- Soil test based application of fertilisers including secondary and micro-nutrients
- Use of farmyard manure and / or compost, green manuring
- Use of bio-fertilisers
- Maintenance of Soil Organic Carbon
- Ploughing back crop residue
- Minimum tillage



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