



## Telangana chief secretary visits Corteva Agriscience's Multi-Crop Research Centre

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This important agriculture R&D centre enables the company to bring new technological advancements to improve the productivity of farmers in India and globally.

The facility pioneers technological advancements such as molecular breeding and doubled haploids for the development of high-quality hybrids suited to local and international growing conditions.

During the visit, Dr Shailendra Kumar said, "Agriculture has a significant role in socio-economic fabric of India. I am pleased to visit the Corteva Agriscience research facility today to learn about the latest in agricultural advancements. In today's complex and competitive agricultural environment, superior research is essential for sustainable crop improvements and better farming methodologies which will encourage the ongoing development of rural farming communities in our state".

Dr K.V. Subbarao, Managing Director, South Asia, at Corteva Agriscience, said, "Corteva Agriscience is delighted to be able to showcase our R&D capabilities to the Chief Secretary in how we are applying science to develop higher yielding products to meet agricultural challenges and changing climates. The MCRC research facility in Hyderabad provides sustainable agricultural solutions used by millions of farmers across the country to help maximise their productivity and profitability through higher yields. The MCRC facility plays a crucial role in understanding regional challenges, weather changes, soil types and applying science to develop higher yielding products suitable to the Indian environment".

Corteva Agriscience, Agriculture Division of DowDuPont (NYSE: DWDP), is intended to become an independent, publicly traded company when the previously announced spinoff is complete by June 2019. The division combines the strengths of DuPont Pioneer, DuPont Crop Protection and Dow AgroSciences. Corteva Agriscience provides growers around the world with the most complete portfolio in the industry — including some of the most recognized brands in agriculture: Pioneer, Encirca, the newly launched Brevant Seeds, as well as award-winning Crop Protection products — while bringing new products to market through our solid pipeline of active chemistry and technologies.

Photo caption (Left to Right): Dr KV Subbarao, Managing Director, South Asia, Corteva Agriscience; Dr. Shailendra Kumar Joshi, Chief Secretary of Telangana; Ajai Kumar, Head of Government and Industry Affairs, South Asia at Corteva Agriscience; and Anand Pandravada, Research Director, Asia Plant Breeding.