



Shri Radha Mohan Singh to lead a delegation to Germany for participation in the Global forum for Food & Agriculture and G-20 agriculture ministers meeting

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Union Minister of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Shri Radha Mohan Singh to lead a five member delegation to Germany for participation in the Global Forum for Food & Agriculture from 19-21 January, 2017 and G-20 Agriculture Ministers Meeting on 22nd January, 2017 in Berlin, Germany. Shri Singh will depart for Berlin, Germany in the late night of 18th January

The Global Forum for Food and Agriculture is an International Conference organized by Germany during 19-21, January 2017 in Berlin on the subject "Agriculture and Water – Key to Feeding the World" which is to be attended by Agriculture Ministers of 65 countries. G-20 Agriculture Ministers meeting, scheduled for January 22, 2017 would focus on the theme of "Agriculture & Water - Digitalization in the Agriculture Sector" and bring together Ministers from the world's twenty biggest economies to discuss the way ahead for the global agricultural sector.

During the visit, the Agriculture & Farmers Welfare Minister will address the participants of the 9th Berlin Agriculture Ministers' Conference under the aegis of GFFA as well as the G-20 Agriculture Ministers meeting. The Minister will also deliver the inaugural address at the Expert Panel convened as part of the GFFA meeting, apart from bilateral meetings with his counterparts from other countries including Germany, Mexico and Lithuania.

During the visit, Shri Singh will highlight India's initiatives in the areas of Agriculture and Water including such flagship programme as Soil Health Card scheme and Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY) for improving soil fertility and water use efficiency to achieve 'more crop per drop' in a focused manner and extending the coverage of precision irrigation 'Har Khet Ko Pani'. The Minister will also showcase India's initiatives in the use of digital technology for the benefit of our farmers including the e-NAM scheme, the Kisan Call Centre, digital payment initiatives and other measures to bridge the digital divide in India's rural and agricultural sectors.

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