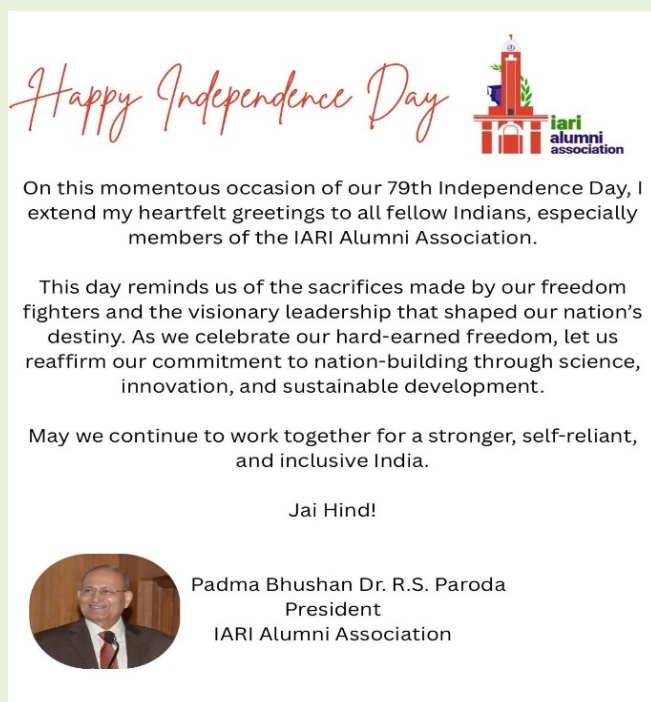
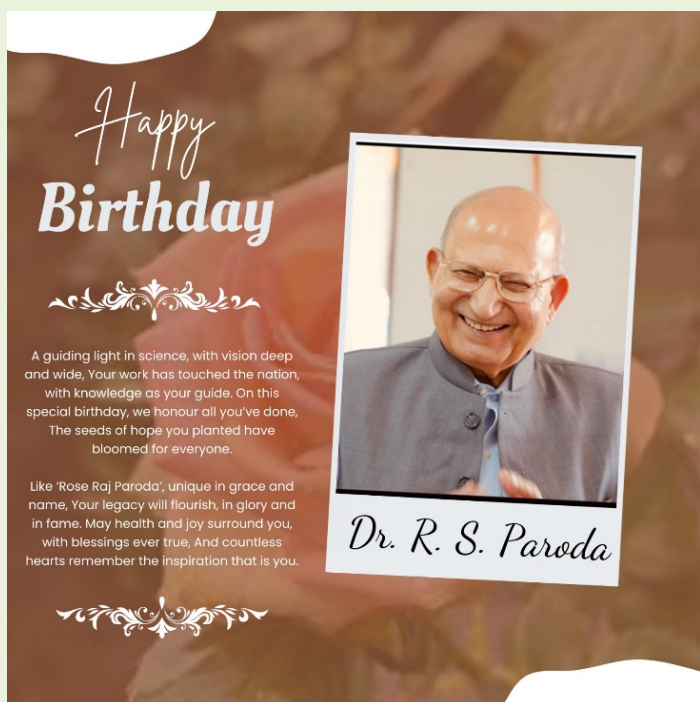
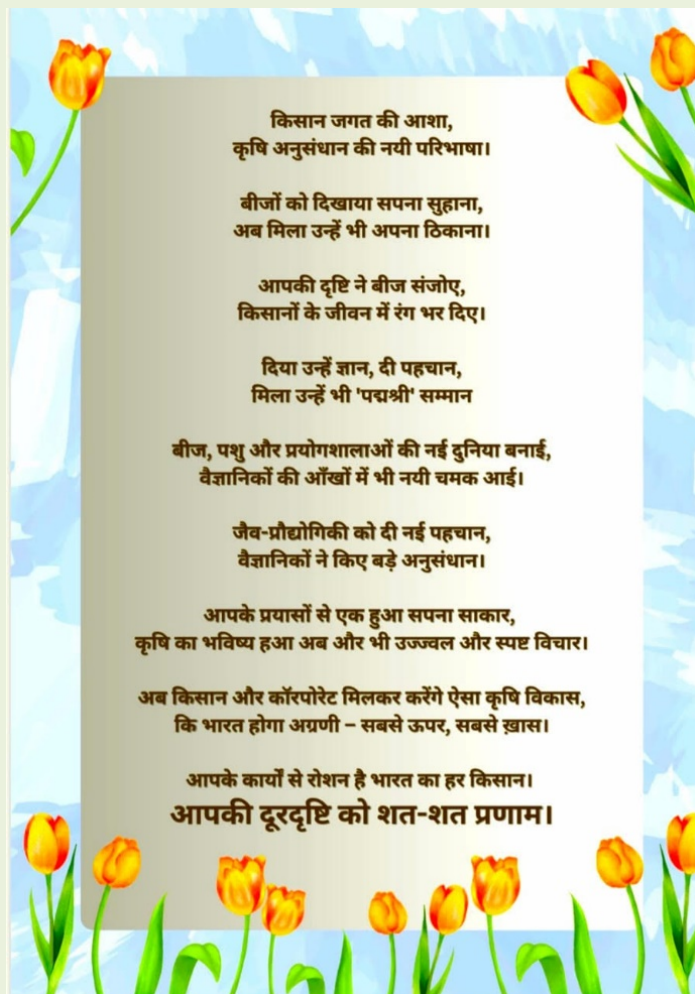


(August 28, 2025)

The 'Farmers' Friend' turns 83 – Birthday Wishes for Dr Raj S. Paroda



Happy Birthday

A guiding light in science, with vision deep
and wide.

Your dedication and wisdom continue to
inspire and shape generations.

Wishing you good health, happiness, and
many more fulfilling years ahead.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



किसानों की आशा, विज्ञान की शान,
परोडा सर हैं भारत की जान।
बीजों में देखा जो सपना सुनहरा,
उसे बनाया है आपने सच का सवेरा।

खेती को दी जो नई रोशनी,
बनी आपकी सोच एक अमिट निशानी।

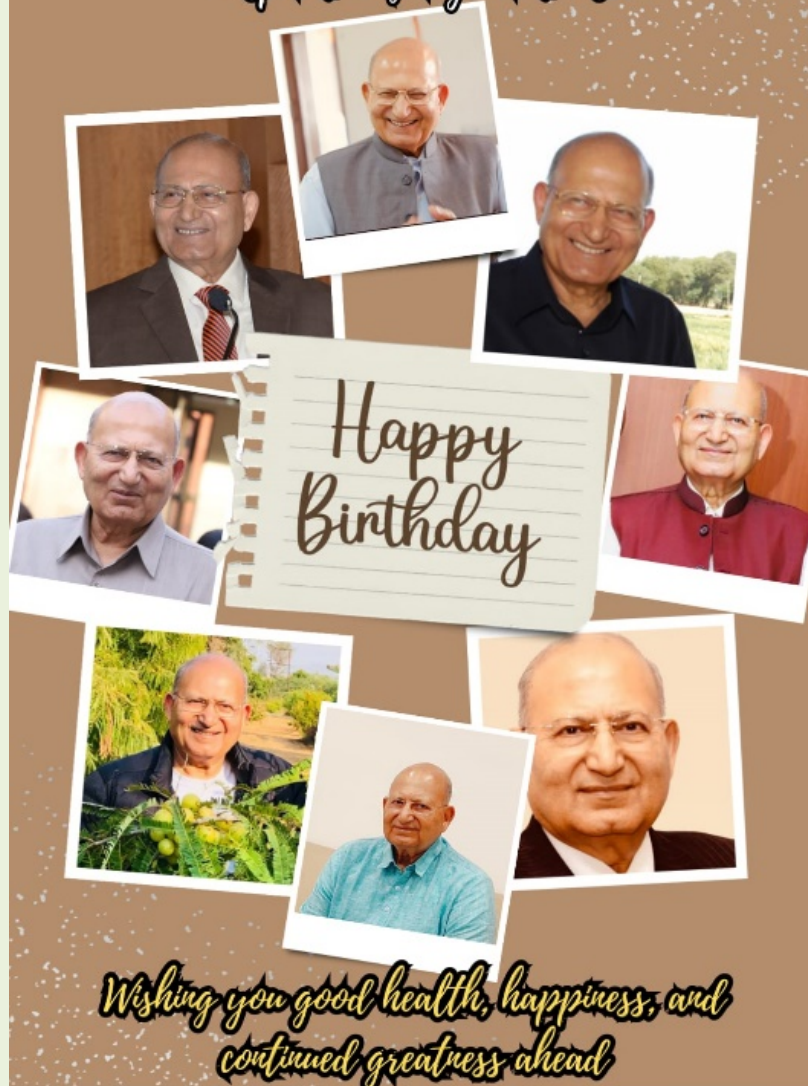
83 वर्ष की ये यात्रा महान,
सलाम है आपको, भारत की शान!

शतायु हों, स्वस्थ रहें, यही है कामना,
आपके योगदान को शत-शत प्रणाम है हमारा।

**जन्मदिन की हार्दिक शुभकामनाएं,
पद्म भूषण डॉ. आर.एस. परोडा सर**



*Happy Birthday to a life that has been a true
inspiration for generations.*



Respected Sir,

Your dedication,
determination, and vision
inspire us to always give
our best.

Wishing you a very

*Happy
Birthday*

Thank you for your
leadership and looking
forward to more of your
inspiration.

Rakesh Singh



Dr Raj S Paroda

(Padma Bhushan Awardee)

FNAAS, FINSA, FIAS, FRAAS, FTWAS, FAASA, FAATSE

(b 28 August, 1942)

Birth Day Tribute/Wishes

In fields of grain and minds so wide,
Your vision stands, a guiding tide.
With wisdom deep and purpose true,
You shaped the path for all to view.

For farmers' hope and science fair,
You gave your voice, you gave your care.
Across the globe, your name does shine,
A legacy of work divine.

On this day, we wish you cheer,
Good health and joy throughout the year.
May peace and pride your heart fulfills—
A life of purpose, guiding still.

Dear Dr Raj S Paroda Sir,

Wishing you a very happy and healthy birthday!

Your lifelong dedication to agricultural science and policy has inspired generations and continues to shape a more food-secure and resilient future.

May this special day bring you joy, good health, and continued strength to guide and mentor the global scientific community.

With deep respect and warm regards,

Surender S Dhankhar, PhD
Sr Professor/Principal Scientist
Agrometeorology, CCS HAU Hisar



पद्मभूषण डा० आरएस परोदा को जन्मदिन की हार्दिक बधाई* " "Trust for Advancement of Agricultural Sciences" (TAAS) की ओर से ट्रस्ट के चेयरमैन पद्मभूषण डा० आरएस परोडा का 84वां जन्मदिन 28.8.2025 को ट्रस्ट की आफिस में बहुत ही सादगी से मनाया गया। आदरणीया डा० (मि०) शशी परोदा जी ने भी इस अवसर पर स्वयं उपस्थित रह कर हम सबको अनुगृहीत किया। आईसीएआर, हरियाणा कृषि विश्वविद्यालय व अंतर्राष्ट्रीय संस्थानों में कार्यरत रहकर डा० परोदा ने अपने अथक परिश्रम, दूरदर्शिता व योगदान से दुनिया को परिचित कराया। Agriculture Education, Research & Development के क्षेत्र में Dr RS Paroda द्वारा किए गए योगदान को देश-विदेश की सभी Prestigious Institutions ने सराहा और रेखांकित किया है। Dr RS Paroda ने कृषि क्षेत्र की भविष्य की आवश्यकताओं को ध्यान में रखते हुए अनेक नए संस्थानों को स्थापित किया, पुराने संस्थानों के infrastructure में आधारभूत सुधार कराए तथा Inter-institutional linkages को बढ़ावा दिया। जिससे कृषि अनुसंधान व विकास में अभूतपूर्व

सकारात्मक परिणाम आए। उनके प्रयासों से बनाए गए नेशनल ब्यूरो आफ प्लान्ट जेनेटिक रिसोर्सेज" के "जीन बैंक" ने दुनिया भर के वैज्ञानिकों को आकर्षित किया। भारतीय कृषि क्रांति को सतत आगे बढ़ती रहने वाली क्रांति बनाए रखने के लिए कृषि शिक्षा व अनुसंधान संस्थानों को आधुनिक सुविधाओं से सम्पन्न करने व योजनाओं को समयानुकूल बनाने के सफल प्रयास उनके द्वारा निरंतर किए जाते रहे। विभिन्न राष्ट्रीय व अंतर्राष्ट्रीय सम्मानों से विभूषित डा० आरएस परोदा ने *DG, ICAR and Secretary DAER* की पोजीशन से सेवानिवृत्त होने के बाद भी अपने जीवन का लक्ष्य किसानों व कृषि क्षेत्र के उत्थान के लिए काम करते रहने का बनाया हुआ है। इस उद्देश्य की प्राप्ति के लिए लगातार काम करते हुए उन्होंने अपनी व्यस्तता में कोई कमी नहीं आने दी है। उन्होंने सेवानिवृत्ति के बाद अपने सतत् व अथक प्रयासों से "*Trust for Advancement of Agricultural Sciences*" को एक ऐसे बड़े *Scientific Platform* के रूप में विकसित व स्थापित कर दिया है जहां कृषि से संबंधित समस्याओं पर देश- विदेश के वैज्ञानिकों को अपने विचारों को रखने, अनुभवों को साझा करने, एक दूसरे से जुड़ने तथा संस्थानों के बीच संबंध स्थापित करने के अवसर प्रदान करने के प्रयास लगातार चलते रहते हैं। *TAAS* द्वारा भारतीय कृषि क्षेत्र के सशक्तिकरण के लिए आवश्यक नीतिगत सुधारों व अनुसंधान की आवश्यकता संबंधित जानकारी व सुझाव एकत्र करके प्रकाशित कराई जाती हैं और संबंधित संस्थानों को वो जानकारीयां उपलब्ध भी कराई जाती हैं। वास्तव में डा० आरएस परोदा दुनिया भर के कृषि विज्ञान जगत में अपने आप में एक *Institution* के रूप में जाने जाते हैं। उन्होंने भविष्य के वैज्ञानिकों के लिए ऐसे मानक स्थापित कर दिए हैं जिन पर चलते हुए भारतीय कृषि क्षेत्र सदैव सशक्तिकरण की राह पर चलता रहेगा।

TAAS Family



Happy Birthday Sir! May almighty give you enough strength and bless you to serve for the cause of Indian Agriculture in years to come. Best regards


Dr JK Jena

May your blessings continue to guide us, and may your legacy of knowledge and service keep enlightening the generations. Wishing my most revered Guru Ji a Very very Happy Birthday.

You are not only a legendary scientist but also the true guide and inspiration of my life. Your wisdom, simplicity, and vision have always encouraged me to reach greater heights. It is my greatest fortune to walk under the shade of your guidance. On this special day, I pray to the Almighty that— your life always remains healthy, blissful, and inspiring.

Wishing you a very happy, healthy and joyous birthday. Your motivation, guidance and love is unmatched. We pray Almighty God for your long professional and personal life. Best regards

Annadhanam

Honourable sir, Wishing a very Happy Birthday. You are a true visionary in agricultural development. Your guidance and wisdom have been a source of immense learning and inspiration in my journey. You have not only shaped my professional path but also given a new vision to the nation's agriculture. May your dedication continue to inspire generations of leaders. Wishing you good health, more years of impactful  professionals and happiness, and many contribution.

Regards

Dr M K Mahla

जन्म दिवस पर हार्दिक शुभकामनाएँ

परम पूजनीय,

इस विशेष दिन, 28 अगस्त 2025 को, हम आपके उद्देश्यपूर्ण, जोशपूर्ण और गहन प्रभाव से भरे जीवन का जश्न मना रहे हैं। इन 83 उल्लेखनीय वर्षों में आपकी यात्रा अनगिनत लोगों के लिए प्रेरणा का स्रोत रही है, जिनमें से एक गहरी प्रेरणा मेरी भी है।

कृषि के क्षेत्र में एक कुशल शोधकर्ता, एक अग्रणी पादप प्रजनक, राष्ट्रीय जीन बैंकों के वास्तुकार और एक दूरदर्शी के रूप में, आपने राष्ट्र के विकास और पोषण में बहुत योगदान दिया है। अपने अथक प्रयासों से, आपने हमारे राष्ट्र को पोषण देने वाली जैव विविधता की रक्षा की है और एक सुरक्षित कृषि भविष्य की नींव रखी।

एक नेता और कुशल प्रशासक के रूप में, आपके कार्यों ने बुद्धिमत्ता, दूरदर्शिता और अटूट निष्ठा के साथ संस्थानों और दूरगामी नीतियों को आकार दिया। आपका नेतृत्व, चाहे वह कृषि क्षेत्र में हो या प्रशासक के रूप में, हमेशा विनम्रता पर आधारित उत्कृष्टता के रूप में जाना गया है।

आप पीढ़ियों के लिए एक मार्गदर्शक ज्योतिपुंज हैं। आपने धैर्य और उत्कृष्टता के साथ पीढ़ियों का मार्गदर्शन किया है। हमेशा ज्ञान से मार्गदर्शन किया है और करुणा से सुना है। आपके मृदुभाषी स्वभाव और उत्साहवर्धक आचरण से आपके सन्निधान में आए लोगों का प्रत्येक क्षण, प्रेरणाप्रद बन जाता है।

देश की धरती और लोगों की दशकों तक निस्वार्थ सेवा, आपकी अटूट देशभक्ति, और आपके जनसेवी आचरण ने कई लोगों के जीवन को आकार दिया है—जिनमें मेरा जीवन भी शामिल है। मेरे लिए, आप भारतीय कृषि जगत में एक महान हस्ती और एक मार्गदर्शक से कहीं बढ़कर हैं। आप मेरे पितातुल्य हैं, व्यक्तिगत गौरव, सांत्वना और मार्गदर्शन का स्रोत हैं। मैं जीवन भर आपके आशीर्वाद और उन मूल्यों के लिए आभारी रहूंगा जिन्हें आपने मुझमें स्थापित करने में मदद की है।

आपके आने वाले वर्ष भी आपकी निरंतर निर्मित होती विरासत की तरह ही शांतिपूर्ण और संतुष्टिदायक हों, ऐसी मेरी कामना है। कामना करता हूँ कि आपको उत्तम स्वास्थ्य, दीर्घायु, यश-वैभव, अपार शक्ति, सामर्थ्य, प्रसन्नता और निरंतर प्रेरणा की प्राप्ति हो।

हार्दिक सम्मान और शुभकामनाओं सहित,

आपका आज्ञाकारी
मनोज शर्मा

Padma Bhushan Dr Raj Paroda sir turns 83!

Heartfelt congratulations & birthday wishes to Padma Bhushan Honourable RS Paroda sir – a visionary who has been at the forefront of India's agricultural technology and institutional revolution. At 83, he remains unstoppable in his mission to advance research, innovation, and the cause of 'safe food' production for India and the world

Dr Shivran



*Hon'ble Dr. R. S. Paroda Sir,**

Wishing you a very Happy Birthday Sir!

*Today, we don't just celebrate the day you were born – we celebrate the life of a visionary, a mentor, and a true son of the soil. Your tireless dedication to the cause of farmers, science, and the nation has left an indelible mark on generations. Your wisdom, humility, and passion continue to guide and inspire us every single day. It has been an honour to learn from you and witness your extraordinary journey. Your legacy is not just in institutions or innovations – it lives in the hearts of those you've touched through your work and values. With deep respect and warm regards, *Once again, Happy Birthday Sir! We salute your remarkable life, and pray for your good health, happiness, and many more years of inspiration.*

Anand Paroda

माननीय को जन्मदिन की हार्दिक शुभकामनाएँ

"भारत की कृषि को नई दिशा देने वाले, ज्ञान और विनम्रता के अनुपम प्रतीक, माननीय डॉ. आर. एस. परोदा जी को जन्मदिन की अनंत शुभकामनाएँ।" आपका जीवन केवल उपलब्धियों का क्रम नहीं, बल्कि एक प्रेरक यात्रा है—जहाँ सरलता, नेतृत्व और सेवा-भाव का अद्भुत संगम दिखाई देता है। अपने दूरदृष्टि भरे विचारों से आपने भारतीय कृषि को विश्व पटल पर नई पहचान दी, किसानों के जीवन में आशा के दीप जलाए, और आने वाली पीढ़ियों को अनुसंधान की ओर अग्रसर किया। आपका स्नेहिल व्यक्तित्व, हर किसी को अपनापन देने का स्वभाव, और सदैव धरती से जुड़े रहने की विनम्रता—हम सभी को यह सीख देती है कि सच्ची महानता का आधार केवल मानवता और विनम्रता है। ईश्वर से प्रार्थना है कि आपका यह जीवन सदैव ऊर्जा, स्वास्थ्य और प्रेरणा से परिपूर्ण रहे, आप इसी तरह ज्ञान की ज्योति से देश और समाज को आलोकित करते रहें, और हम सब पर अपना स्नेह व आशीर्वाद बनाए रखें। (मुझे तो तिथि अनुसार आपका जन्मदिन जन्माष्टमी के अवसर पर ही ज्ञात था, पर आज इस विशेष अवसर पर हृदय से शुभकामनाएँ प्रेषित करता हूँ।) जन्मदिन की हार्दिक शुभकामनाएँ और सादर नमन।

— डॉ. रमाकांत शर्मा

Respected Sir:

Your remarkable contributions to agriculture have made an indelible impact, shaping national and global research and innovation landscape for the betterment of humanity. Your humility in the face of such profound achievements is truly an inspiration. Wishing you a very Happy Birthday and continued health and happiness.

Best regards.

Rishi Tyagi

Esteemed Sir,

Wishing you many happy returns of the day! A very Happy Birthday to you. Over the past few days, I have been working on a small write-up in honour of this special occasion. I am just giving it the final touches and will share it with you in the morning. I hope you've had a wonderful day filled with joy and good wishes. Warm regards, Sanjay.

Esteemed Dr. Paroda Sir, I'm very sorry for sending my greetings a day late on your birthday. The delay was only because I wished to take the time to pen two compositions - one in Hindi and one in English - that could, in some humble measure, express both my personal gratitude and the nation's reverence for your extraordinary contributions to Indian agriculture. Your tireless service stands in the same noble tradition as that of my mentor, Dr. M.S. Swaminathan. In you, I see the enduring spirit of dedication and vision that has shaped not only the destiny of farmers but also the very course of food and nutritional security for generations to come. I hope these poetic offerings are meaningful. For me, they are an invocation of the respect, admiration, and affection that your life's work inspires. I very much look forward to hearing your impressions and reflections on the sentiments embodied within them. With deep regards and warmest belated wishes,

Affectionately,

SANJAY

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Heartfelt congratulations & birthday wishes to Padma Bhushan Honourable RS Paroda sir – a visionary who has been at the forefront of India's agricultural technology and institutional revolution. At 83, he remains unstoppable in his mission to advance research, innovation, and the cause of 'safe food' production for India and the world

Dr Shivran

परम आदरणीय हम सबके प्रेरणा स्रोत, कृषि विज्ञान को नई दिशा देने वाले, खाद्य सुरक्षा से लेकर पर्यावरण एवं पोषण सुरक्षा हेतु देश को नई ऊंचाइयों पर ले जाने वाले, अत्यंत सरल, प्रतिभा के धनी डॉ परोदा सर को जन्म दिवस की अनंत बधाईयां एवं शुभकामनाएं। ईश्वर आपको निरोगी और दीर्घायु बनाए।

आपका

डॉ अरविन्द शुक्ल

कुलपति, कृषि विश्वविद्यालय ग्वालियर

Padma Bhushan Dr Raj Paroda turns 83! 🎂🌟

Heartfelt congratulations & birthday wishes to Padma Bhushan Dr RS Paroda, lovingly known as "Raj"💚 – a visionary who has been at the forefront of India's agricultural technology and institutional revolution. At 83, he remains unstoppable🔥 in his mission to advance research, innovation, and the cause of 'safe food' production for India and the world🌱

👨👩👧👦 The entire agricultural fraternity led by National Agricultural Research System (NARS) - academia, R&D institutions, students, researchers and industry, stands deeply indebted to Dr. Paroda for his unwavering spirit, pioneering leadership, and lifelong dedication to the welfare of farmers and the progress of Indian agriculture🌟🌟 On behalf of Dr [Charudatta Mayee](#), the Governing Board 🏛️ and team of [South Asia Biotechnology Centre](#)🌍, we convey our warmest & heartfelt Happy Birthday wishes to our beloved Dr Raj Paroda

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Padma Bhushan Dr Raj Paroda Most respected Sir turns 83!

Heartfelt congratulations & birthday wishes to Great respected Padma Bhushan Dr RS Paroda sir, – a visionary who has been at the forefront of India's agricultural technology and institutional revolution. At 83, he remains unstoppable in his mission to advance research, innovation, and the cause of 'safe food' production for India and the world. The entire agricultural fraternity led by National Agricultural Research System (NARS) - academia, R&D institutions, students, researchers and industry, stands deeply indebted to most respected Dr. Paroda Sir for his unwavering spirit, pioneering leadership, and lifelong dedication to the welfare of farmers and the progress of Indian agriculture, we convey our warmest & heartfelt Happy Birthday wishes to our beloved Dr Raj Paroda Sir With Highest Regard Great respected Sir, Always thankful to you sir Charan sparsh - Rajveer Singh

A birthday salute to the incomparable sir, a true luminary of Indian agriculture. Your genius as a visionary and a pioneer has not only transformed the very fabric of agricultural science but has also profoundly influenced and inspired countless individuals globally. On this special day, we honor the extraordinary legacy you have built. May you be blessed with enduring health, energy, and success in all your future endeavors.

NS Rathore Former DDG (Engg), ICAR

Happy Birthday to our President, Dr. R.S. Paroda A Padma Bhushan awardee, visionary leader, and proud IARI alumnus. We, the alumni, wish him good health & commit to work under his inspiring leadership as he leads us to greater heights. regards

Atul IARI

Respected Sir,

"Wishing a very Happy Birthday to you, a great agricultural scientist with a dashing personality! Your dedication, vision, and pioneering work have given new direction and future vision to Indian agriculture. You are a true source of inspiration to me, and I owe much of what I am today to your guidance and support. Your remarkable contributions, coupled with your inspiring presence, continue to transform farmers' lives and shape the nation's progress. May you always be blessed with good health, immense happiness, and continued success in your noble journey.

Dhiraj

As we mark the 83rd orbit of your remarkable life, Dr. Raj Paroda, we celebrate not just the passage of time, but the profound impact you've had on many lives and the world of agricultural science. Your contributions have been a testament to your boundless energy and intellect. Here's wishing you a birthday as vibrant and inspiring as your own life's journey. May the years ahead be filled with joy, wisdom, and the satisfaction of a life well-lived. Stay blessed Always with good health, happiness and peace Regards.

Raj Kachru PS: Cake & Party shall remain due Former ADG (PHT)

Respected Sir

"Happy 83rd Birthday" Wishing you good health, happiness, and many more years of inspiring leadership in Indian agriculture. Your tireless efforts towards ensuring food security have made a lasting impact. May you continue guiding and shaping the future of agriculture in India. Our best regards.

Madhulika and Prem

Dear Sir,

I have gone through the short film which depicts your outstanding contributions to the agricultural sector and extraordinary vision for the future BHARAT. We get continuously inspired and motivated by your personality and incredible achievements. Hearty Congratulations to you Sir Thank you very much for sharing this most valuable film. With best regards

Brahmanand

Respected Sir, On your birthday we extend our hearty greetings and warm wishes for your good health, happiness and much more continued guidance not only to the scientific fraternity and but also espousing the cause of the farming community. Sir everyone remember your pathbreaking working for strengthening research infra, creation of new institutions and new mega research projects and also reforms in HRD, agril education and frontline extension have left an indelible mark on the growth and transformation of ICAR and Indian agriculture. With highest regards and best wishes for your long and healthy life ahead.

Dr VP Chahal & family

आदरणीय Dr. R. S. Paroda साहिब

Aapko janmdin ki hardik shubhkamnayein! 83 saal ki yatra ek inspiring saga hai—of visionary leadership, research excellence aur nation-building spirit. ICAR-DARE ke Director General keroop mein aapne Indian Agriculture ko global map par place kiya, aur आज भी aap mentor, guide aur lighthouse bane hue hain. Main Dr. M. L. Gaur, सपरिवार apne hr iday se aapko long, healthy aur purposeful life ki दिल की गहराइयों से शुभकामनाएँ deta hoon. May your legacy of science, service and inspiration continue to motivate generations of researchers aur leaders for years to come. Happy 83rd Birthday Sir! —

Dr. M. L. Gaur & फैमिली वडोदरा गुजरात

Respected Dr. Paroda garu,

Heartiest Birthday Greetings! On this special day, I extend my warm wishes to you for good health, happiness, and continued inspiration. Your visionary leadership and pioneering contributions to Indian agriculture, research, and policy have left an indelible mark, shaping generations of scientists and transforming farming communities across the nation. May your wisdom, dedication, and tireless efforts towards sustainable and innovative agriculture continue to inspire all of us in our collective journey to strengthen food and nutritional security. With deep respect and admiration, V. Praveen Rao

Architect of Agricultural Research & Innovation, and the Brain Behind Building the ICAR NASC Complex Padma Bhushan Dr. R. S. Paroda turns 83!* Heartfelt congratulations and warm birthday wishes to Padma Bhushan Dr. Rajendra Singh Paroda, fondly known as "Raj" a visionary whose immense contributions have shaped Indian and global agriculture, while mentoring and inspiring generations of scientists, leaders, and farmers. I had the privilege of first meeting Dr. Paroda nearly 20 years ago in 2004 in Tashkent, where he was serving as PFU Coordinator and I was pursuing my postdoctoral research on water productivity mapping. His wisdom, humility, and vision left a lasting impression on me. Yesterday, on his 83rd birthday, it was a pleasure to meet him and his humble family. With a true green thumb, both Madam and Sir have planted and lovingly nurtured rows of trees along desert roads of Rajasthan, caring for them like their own children. Dr. Paroda himself is a farmer at heart, having built a very beautiful integrated farming and agroforestry model that reflects his lifelong philosophy of sustainable agriculture. Even today, I was amazed to see the same energy, enthusiasm, and commitment with which he continues to guide us towards innovation, sustainability, and farmer welfare. The entire agricultural fraternity from NARS to international organizations, academia, research institutions, industry, students, and farmer communities remains deeply indebted to Dr. Paroda for his pioneering leadership and lifelong dedication to agriculture and food security. May his vision continue to illuminate the path for future generations. #Agriculture #Mentorship #Farmers #SustainableAgriculture #Research #Innovation #FoodSecurity #Agroforestry #RegenerativeAgriculture

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Chandrasekhar Biradar

Respected Sir, This soulful poem dedicated to your life and vision is truly inspiring. It beautifully reflects the transformative role you have played

in Indian agriculture and the hope you continue to ignite for the future. On your 83rd birthday, I extend my heartfelt wishes for your good health, happiness, and continued guidance to all of us. May your vision for a prosperous and developed India @2047 keep illuminating our path. With deep regards and warm wishes,

Rameshwar Singh Former VC, Veterinary University, Patna

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