

6th India International Seaweed Expo & Summit 2025

A Milestone in India's Blue Economy

The 6th India International Seaweed Expo & Summit 2025, jointly organized by the Indian Chamber of Commerce (ICC) and the National Institute of Ocean Technology (NIOT), Ministry of Earth Sciences (MOES), was successfully held on January 29–30, 2025, at NIOT, Chennai. This significant event served as a platform to showcase the latest innovations, technological advancements, and sustainable solutions in India's growing seaweed industry.

The summit brought together leading scientists, policymakers, entrepreneurs, and seaweed farmers from across the country. The event was honoured to have **Prof. Balaji Ramakrishnan, Director of NIOT**, deliver the keynote address, where he highlighted the critical role of **NIOT and MOES in promoting offshore seaweed farming** through technological and infrastructural support. His remarks underlined the government's commitment to fostering a sustainable **blue economy** in India.

A key highlight of the summit was the participation of **seaweed cultivating farmers from Tamil Nadu**, who shared their on-ground experiences and insights into the challenges and opportunities in the industry. Their engagement enriched discussions on **scaling up cultivation, improving yield efficiency, and exploring market linkages** for seaweed-based products.

The expo featured a display of cutting-edge **seaweed processing technologies, sustainable harvesting techniques, and innovations in bioproducts** such as biofertilizers, nutraceuticals, and biodegradable packaging. It also served as a networking hub for **businesses, research institutions, and investors**, fostering collaborations that could drive the industry's growth.

The Foundation for Aquaculture Innovations and Technology Transfer (FAITT) was honored to be the **Media Partner** for the event, ensuring wider dissemination of the summit's discussions and outcomes.

With India's coastal regions holding immense potential for **seaweed farming as a sustainable and eco-friendly industry**, the **6th India International Seaweed Expo & Summit 2025** marked a crucial step toward harnessing this opportunity. The event successfully laid the groundwork for **future advancements, knowledge sharing, and a robust seaweed-based economy in India**.

