



FARM Newsletter:
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Last call to join the FARM webinar on 30 September. FARM presents a case study and a video interview on training one million farmers in India. Global Framework on Chemicals Fund launches the second call for project proposals.

Happening today:

Financing smallholder transitions to healthier agriculture practices

This webinar will spotlight practical pathways for farmers to secure financial support for transitioning to safer, low-input agriculture.

[Join us 30 September 2025](#)

4:30-6:00 p.m. CEST

Languages: English, Spanish

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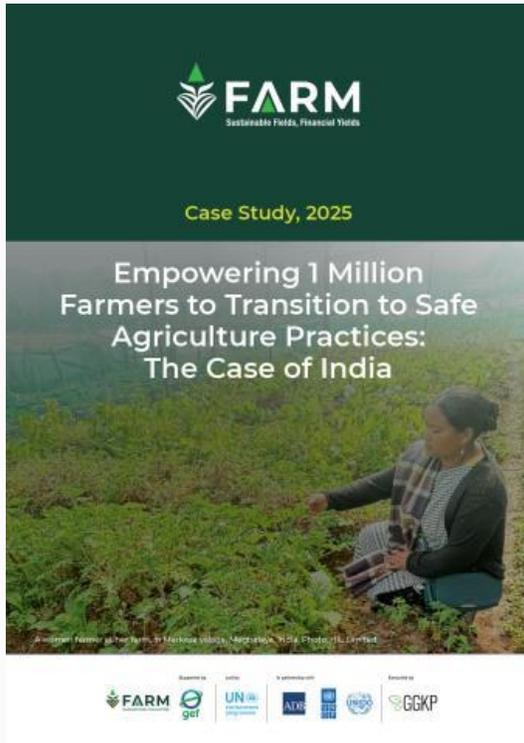


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Case Study: Training one million farmers in India

This [case study](#) highlights farmer training under the FARM project in India, offering lessons for reducing reliance on chemicals and plastics.



FARM addresses these gaps by promoting safe biopesticide use across eight crops in ten states. Training combines principles – soil health, integrated pest management and risk reduction – with hands-on instruction on dosage, application, safety, storage and disposal.

The programme employs the "Training of Trainers" approach, empowering participants to share their knowledge with peers and build on the strengths of local communities.

[Read the case study](#)



The case study is accompanied by [six episodes of the interview](#) with Rajendra Thapar of the FARM India team. Watch the episodes to learn about firsthand experiences in designing and implementing training on transitioning to biopesticides, the challenges faced, and the solutions developed.

[Watch the interview](#)

Launch of the second round of the Global Framework on Chemicals Fund

The Global Framework on Chemicals (GFC) Fund is about to launch its second call for project proposals to support low- and middle-income countries in addressing the urgent risks posed by hazardous chemicals and waste.

Grants ranging from **\$300,000 to \$800,000** are available for projects up to three years in duration. A new two-stage application process begins with a short concept note. Shortlisted applicants will then be invited to submit a full proposal.

This round places greater focus on sustainability, multisectoral collaboration, and the potential to scale or replicate results. Civil society applications must include endorsement from the relevant national authority.

 [Join the webinars](#) for applicants on 30 September and 1 October.

 Learn more and apply [here](#)

 Concept note deadline: 15 December 2025

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