



**Visit of officials from New Zealand High Commission,
Plant & Food Research and Zespri to PPVFRA, New Delhi
on 13.11.2024**



A team comprising of Ms. Stephanie Melanie, Counsellor (Agriculture), New Zealand High Commission; Ms. Rachel Lynch, New Zealand Government & Regulatory Affairs Manager; Dr. Stephanie Montgomery, Programme Manager- International Development, Plant & Food Research; and Mr. Himanshu from Zespri Kiwifruit Company visited Protection of Plant Varieties and Farmers' Rights Authority Office on 13th November 2024. The visiting team met Dr. Trilochan Mohapatra, Chairperson and Dr. Dinesh K. Agarwal, Registrar General of PPVFRA and discussed the various issues related with introduction and protection of foreign fruit varieties into India. Dr Agarwal welcomed the visiting delegation and apprised them about the process of registration of varieties of foreign applicants. The New Zealand team members described their areas of activities and interests. Both the sides discussed the possible areas of collaboration in the future. Dr. Mohapatra emphasized on making collaborating efforts for the benefit of Indian farmers. Ms. Melanie, Counsellor (Agriculture) profusely thanked the Chairperson Dr. Mohapatra for all the cooperation extended by the Authority.

