Training on natural farming from Feb. 2

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Isha Agro Movement will organise a nine-day training on natural farming in Coimbatore. Natural farming exponent Subhash Palekar will lead the training.

Organisers said here on Friday that over 3,000 farmers would be taking part in the training which starts on February 2.

Speaking on the training, Mr. Palekar claimed that around 50 lakh farmers are practising the natural farming across the country.

"Compared to the market rate of goods that are produced through chemical farming, the goods produced through natural farming are being sold at double the rate. Yield is larger and production cost is less. The training programme on natural farming will be helpful for the farmers," he said.

Isha Project Greenhands director Anand said that food and accommodation will be given to the farmers for all nine days. "This training programme will set a foundation for the farmers to convert from chemical farming to natural farming. The farmers will be trained in the difference between chemical and natural farming, the benefits in natural farming, input preparation and inter-crop cultivation," he said.

Isha Agro Movement coordinator Swami Srimuka and Valluvan, a natural farmer, addressed the media.