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Sale of unani herbal rejuvenator product launched



New product:G. Ramanathan (left), Marketing Manager, Tampcol, launching 'Laboob Sagheer' in Tirupur recently. —

Tirupur: The Tamil Nadu Medicinal Plant Farms and Herbal Medicine Corporation Limited (TAMPCOL) launched the commercial sales of its unani herbal rejuvenator product named 'Laboob Sagheer' in Kongu region, at a function here on Saturday.

With this, the semi-solid 'Laboob Sagheer' would become available in super markets, retail outlets and medical shops in Tirupur, Coimbatore, Dindigul, the Nilgiris and Karur districts in 500 gm containers.

Official sources said that the product, launched last year as part of the silver jubilee celebrations of TAMPCOL, was prepared from a combination of time-tested herbs, dry

fruits, seeds and roots of special herbs which were known to increase the production of sperm count, correct its motility and viscosity.

The use of dry fruits like Badam (Prunus Amygdalus), Pista (Pistacia Ver), Akthroot (Jaglans Regia), Chalgoza (Pinus Gerardiana) and Findaq (Corylus Avellana) in the manufacturing process gives Laboob Sagheer the properties of nutrition stimulator, aphrodisiac and general tonic.

Some of the ingredients like Khaskhas (Papaver Somniferum) and Tukhm Khurfa (Portulaca Oleracea) acts as sedative that exerts soothing effects by lowering functional activity, while others like Kabab Chini (piper cebuba) excites the function of testis.

The dosage recommended was five to ten grams with milk before breakfast.

The Corporation (i.e. TAMPCOL) had identified Huckleberry Traders in Tirupur as stockists of the product for Kongu region.

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Rally to create awareness on sanitation



Students of various Corporation schools taking out a Health Awareness rally organised by the Tirupur Corporation and Chikkanna Government Arts College in Tirupur on Monday.

Tirupur: Minister for Highways and Minor Ports M. P. Saminathan flagged off a rally organised by Tamil Nadu State Council for Science and Technology, Tirupur Corporation and Chikkanna Government Arts College to create better awareness on sanitation and hygiene, here on Monday. The students, lecturers and members of self help groups constituted the rally, which was taken out from near the Railway Station to Corporation office.

Chikkanna College Assistant Professor Mohan Kumar, who coordinated the event, said that the promotion of good sanitation and personal hygiene practices was essential to make the society healthy.

Water

The rally gained greater significance in the city like Tirupur where the public face enormous difficulties to gain access to good quality potable water, which prevents many of them from properly washing their hands after defecating.

Federation of Indian Export Organisations president Arumugam Sakthivel, Mayor K. Selvaraj, Chikkanna College principal Mohammed Kani were among those present at the starting point.

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Control rising prices of cotton yarn, Centre told

Weavers struggling severely to execute and complete the old orders

Many spinning mills were interested in exporting the yarn

ERODE: The South India Textile Manufacturers Association has urged the Central Government to take up measures to control the spiralling prices of cotton yarn.

Association president M.S. Mathivanan, in a press release, said that there was an increase of around 50 per cent in the cotton yarn price since October 2009, and for the past 15 days, it had gone up by Rs. 20 to 30 per kg.

Weavers, fearing further increase in the prices, were not able to confirm new orders and struggling severely to execute and complete the old orders, which were already booked when the cotton yarn price was lesser than the current rate.

The spinning mill sector, he said, was expecting further hike in the cotton yarn price. As a result, many mills were not supplying the yarn at the current rate.

The government should intervene immediately to protect the interests of the weaving industry, he urged.

Many spinning mills were interested in exporting the yarn because the government was giving incentive under a scheme, a benefit of 7.67 per cent on the export.

This benefit should be withdrawn in order to bring down the cotton yarn prices in the country, the association said.

The association also appealed to the government to bring the cotton yarn under the Essential Commodity Act.

The association threatened that the weaving industry would resort to stoppage of production, if the demands were not met. © Copyright 2000 - 2009 The Hindu



By G Saravanan

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Cobia breeding opens window of opportunity

CHENNAI: In a significant breakthrough in aquaculture, the Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute (CMFRI) has succeeded in the breeding and larval production of Cobia, a promising species for sea farming.

At Mandapam Regional Centre of CMFRI recently, the successful broodstock development was obtained in sea cages by feeding with suitable broodstock diets.

Cobia is recognised as a finfish with emerging global potential for mariculture.

Speaking to Express on the morale boosting development for the institute, G Mohanraj, Principal Scientist and scientist-in-charge, Chennai research centre, said, "Under the leadership of CMFRI's Director G Syda Rao, the institute's Principal Scientist and head of Mariculture Division in Mandapam Regional Centre G Gopakumar achieved the feat." Mohanraj said, "Methods for induced breeding were also developed and the successful spawning and larval production was achieved.

The rearing of larvae is in progress and shortly the techniques for the successful seed production will be standardised." The cobia has all the qualities needed for an excellent species for aquaculture. The global aquaculture production of cobia has been increasing from 2003 and the major contributors are China and Taiwan. It has been noted that the rapid growth rate and good flesh quality of cobia makes it one of the best species for future expansion of production.

The hatchery production of cobia fingerlings can pave the way for large-scale sea cage farming in our country, Mohanraj added.

Increasing the supplies from aquaculture combined with effective marketing can substantially enhance cobia production in the near future.

By The New Indian Express

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Food for rumination

The question of food security in this country is back in business with the Cabinet clearing the food bill and the Supreme Court gearing up to consider a report commissioned by it on the definition of poverty and

related issues. The point is simple. The Bill that will be introduced in Parliament envisages providing 25 kg of food grain at subsidised rates to the poor. But it does not define poor. The inescapable conclusion is that it will go by the eminently flawed and frequently changing official definition of poverty. The Wadhwa report, which will be considered by the court, possibly next month, makes more radical provisions. It proposes that the poor be defined as people whose income is below Rs 100 and recommends that all of them be made eligible to receive 35 kg of subsidised grain. If the Supreme Court accepts the Wadhwa report before the government passes its Bill, it will have to shoulder a much bigger subsidy burden. The number of the poor will rise by 500 million, according to estimates. The government's financial burden — now Rs 118,525 crore — will rise by Rs 82,100 crore. There are several issues that need to be looked at. First, activists are alleging that the government is trying to rush the bill through to pre-empt the Supreme Court, which has over the past few years passed important directions on poverty alleviation. This accusation is not entirely unfounded. Regardless of what the truth is, one thing is clear. Given the reservations expressed over the past few months — mainly the criticism that the Bill makes no advance on the existing situation — it would be completely unacceptable on the part of the government to try to ram this Bill through Parliament. It must have reasoned debate and take the nation on board before acting. If the government is in a hurry, the party should apply the brakes. Many people, especially those with a technocratic bent of mind, will castigate this 'subsidy' as another example of self-defeating 'populism'. To them we make this proposition. What is undeniably unacceptable is that people remain chronically undernourished in a country that boasts exponential growth numbers. Any attempt at providing them enough to eat advances India's case as a civilised nation. Certainly, not all populism is bad. And, anyway, if the middle classes can get freebies along with the plutocrats, why not the people at the margins?



Greater Noida villages tense as 200 farmers get arrested

Pragya Kaushika Posted online: Tuesday , Mar 30, 2010 at 0126 hrs

Greater NOIDA : The situation is tense in the villages of Greater Noida after farmers, whose lands have been acquired by the government, staged a protest and stopped builders from continuing work in the villages of Parthalakhanjarpur, Dadri and Bisrakh on Monday.

Surendra Verma, SP (Rural), said nearly 200 farmers were arrested on Sunday as they tried to disrupt the construction. They have been booked for breach of peace and stopping of government work.

The district administration has deployed police personnel in the villages that have participated in the protest. "There is an adequate police presence in these villages and the areas where the protestors could turn violent to stop the work. They tried to disrupt work of gas pipeline in Raunali Latifpur and Kota villages," a senior official said.

"Leaders of local parties reached the police lines to support our demands. The protestors were beaten with lathis when they tried to stop the work. We will strengthen our movement," said the villagers of Parthla Khanjarpur, who had gathered to protest against the arrest of fellow villagers.

The administration denied the allegations that farmers were beaten up by the police. "There was no clash between us and the farmers. When they tried to disrupt the work and became violent, we arrested them," Verma said.

The farmers are protesting against the compensation given by the government for their land. They also demand 50 per cent reservation for jobs for their families in industrial units to be established on the acquired land. The Greater Noida Authority officials said they are working out a solution for the demands.

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Today's Weather



Clear

Tuesday, Mar 30

Max Min

36.9° | 26.4°

Rain: 00mm in24hrs Sunrise: 06:07

Humidity: 89% Sunset: 18:20

Wind: Normal Barometer: 1008.1mb

Tomorrow's Forecast



Sunny

Wednesday, Mar 31

Max Min

34° | 27°

Extended Forecast for a week

Thursday

Apr 1



36° | 27°

Sunny

Friday

Apr 2



36° | 28°

Sunny

Saturday

Apr 3



36° | 27°

Sunny

Sunday

Apr 4



36° | 26°

Sunny

Monday

Apr 5



36° | 26°

Partly Cloudy