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То The Editor, Sir, I request that the following message may kindly be published in your esteemed

TNAU and Indian society for Certification of Organic product Jointly organized One day Programme on Organic Cotton Effect: ICS Competencies -**Competency building for ICS in Organic Cotton Industry**

Indian society for Certification of Organic product (ISCOP) in partnership with Tamilnadu Agricultural University (TNAU) and Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) organised an One day programme on "Organic Cotton Effect : ICS Competencies- competency building for ICS in Organic Cotton Industry" with the aim to build-up ICS competency in Organic cotton industry and its critical guidance with clarifying prevailing challenges on 24th September, 2022 at Seminar Hall of TNAU, Coimbatore.

In the presence of dignitaries, an impressive inauguration of ORGOSS – Organic cotton competency program lined up with Welcome note by Dr. K. K. Krishnamurthi, Chairman, ISCOP who graciously welcomed all the dignitaries and the participants. Dr. Jayaraman, Treasurer, ISCOP presented the theme of program of ICS Organic System Plan (OSP) development, its critical management, related shortcomings and challenges and to rule out the ICS competency gaps in a lucid manner for better understanding of the audience. Honourable Chairman from APEDA, Dr. M. Angamuthu inaugurated the ORGOSS program by emphasizing the importance of improving 1% organic cotton cultivation by value added products and to be sensitive in national and international alerts for cotton contaminants followed by presidential address by Honourable Vice chancellor Dr. V. Geethalakshmi highlighted the TNAU's role in expanding the magnitude of various special programmes as a knowledge hub for organic cotton cultivation by developing the solution of post harvest ecology for upcoming farmer community. Luminaries from the world of business graced the event. The program began with the presentation by Smt. Reeba Abraham, AGM, APEDA entitled "Organic cotton certification and trade under NPOP" and concurrent sessions with the Panel discussion and a Valedictory session with closing remark.

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