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The Editor,
Sir,

I request that the following message may kindly be published in your esteemed daily:

TNAU inks MoU with SKS Agro Industries, Thanjavur

Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) was signed between **Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore** and **SKS Agro Industries, Akkaraivattam village, Orathanadu Taluk, Thanjavur (Dt.)** on 21.12.2023 at TNAU, Coimbatore. The firm is engaged in processing and trading of coconut shell powder from raw coconut shell and is interested to study the use of coconut shell powder as an organic fertilizer for horticultural crops.

The aim of this agreement is to facilitate collaborative program in education, research, sharing of knowledge and information related to technology. In addition, exchange of research materials pertaining to coconut shell powder and organic fertilizer, evaluation and disseminating the technology of using coconut shell powder as organic fertilizer to farming community, FPOs, SHGs, women entrepreneurs, extension officers, etc. will also be dealt with.

Dr. V. Geethalakshmi, Vice Chancellor of Tamil Nadu Agricultural University has given her moral support for bringing this agreement. Dr. R. Thamizh Vendhan, Registrar, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore and Mrs. Gayathri Sureshkumar, Proprietor of SKS Agro Industries have signed in the agreement and exchanged in the presence of Dr. P. Irene Vethamoni, Dean (Horticulture), Horticultural College and Research Institute, TNAU, Coimbatore who have taken the effort in bringing this agreement. In the event, they pointed out the need of this collaboration and the means of way forward.

Mr. K. Suresh kumar, Chief Coordinator of SKS Agro Industries and Dr. G.V. Rajalingam, Professor (Horticulture), Department of Spices and Plantation Crops, TNAU, Coimbatore also attended the signing ceremony.

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