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The Editor,

Sir.

To

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

TNAU Empowers FPOs towards Excellence

Tamil Nadu Agricultural University celebrates Centennial year of millets research (1923-2023) and International year of millets-2023 by organizing "Empowering FPO's towards excellence" as part of its international millets conference and Futuristic Food Expo 2023 on 26.05.2023.

Honorable Governor of Tamil Nadu and Chancellor of Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Th.R.N.Ravi visited the millet exhibition and appreciated the FPOs and entrepreneurs. Welcome address was delivered by Dr. V. Geethalakshmi, Vice Chancellor, TNAU, Coimbatore.

The Chief Guest address was delivered by Honorable Governor of Tamil Nadu Th.R.N.Ravi in which, the significance of millets in sustainable food chain and conversion of fallow lands to gold mines was emphasized. The importance of millet revolution, development of varieties and agri business for the upliftment of global economy was described. The efforts of TNAU agricultural scientists and farmers towards the surplus production were appreciated. The interactive session with FPO's emphasized the need of national connectivity of the farmers towards the sustainable agriculture in future. MoUs were signed with ten FPOs as a part of the session for efficient technology transfer, for executing better business plans and marketing, teaching good agronomic practices and promoting export. The vote of thanks was delivered by Dr.M. Raveendran, Director of Research, TNAU, Coimbatore.