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To The Editor, Sir,

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

TNAU signed MoU with Sugarcane Breeding Institute

A Memorandum of Understandings (MoU) was signed by Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore with ICAR-Sugarcane Breeding Institute, Coimbatore on 30.06.2023 for facilitating Post graduate Students' Research/Training. TNAU is the recipient of Indian Council of Agricultural Research's (ICAR's) prestigious Sardar Patel Outstanding ICAR Institution Award and the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) 2023 ranked TNAU at 5th position in Agriculture and Allied Sector Category. Whereas, ICAR-SBI is one of the oldest premier agricultural research institutes under the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), had been largely responsible for meeting the sugarcane varietal requirements of the country for the past ten decades and awarded with Best Institution Award.

Dr.N.Senthil, Dean (SPGS), TNAU, Coimbatore welcomed the gathering and detailed the significance of sugarcane research. The parties having discussed fields of common research interests and allied activities between the two institutions have decided to enter into long-term collaboration for promotion of students' training and quality post graduate research in cutting edge areas such as Varietal Development, Advanced Clonal Demonstration, Genome Editing, Tissue Culture Techniques, Mass multiplication of seedlings of elite clones, Identification of location specific varieties by evaluating in research stations in different parts of Tamil Nadu and Collaboration with Agricultural University & Industries.

The signing authorities Dr.R.TamizhVendan, Registrar, TNAU, Coimbatore and Dr.G.Hemaprabha, Director, ICAR-SBI, Coimbatore signed the agreement and exchanged in presence of Dr.V.Geethalakshmi, Vice-Chancellor, TNAU, Coimbatore where she remarked about the essentiality of this academic collaboration and the way forward. The delegates from both the parties attended the signing ceremony and graced the occasion.

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