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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 conducted International Conference on Engineering Agriculture
for a Resilient Future**

An International Conference on “**Engineering Agriculture for a Resilient Future**” was inaugurated at the Anna Auditorium, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore, bringing together scientists, academicians, industry experts and students to deliberate on innovative engineering solutions for sustainable and resilient agricultural development. Around 500 participants from various institutions and organizations across Tamil Nadu attended the **conference** including researchers, faculty members, industry professionals and students. The inaugural ceremony began with the welcome of dignitaries and delegates. Dr. K. Alagusundaram, MD & CEO, Tamil Nadu Food Processing and Agri Export Promotion Corporation (TNAPEX), Former DDG- ICAR, Chennai, delivered the inaugural address and emphasized the pivotal role of agricultural engineering in strengthening the agricultural value chain, improving post-harvest management, and enhancing the export potential of agricultural commodities. He highlighted the need for adopting modern technologies, efficient processing systems and innovative engineering solutions to ensure sustainability, quality and global competitiveness of agricultural products.

The keynote address was delivered by Dr. A. Rajkumar, Director & Secretary (AMMA), Renaissance Power Products Pvt. Ltd., Coimbatore, who shared insights on the importance of technological advancements, mechanization and industry-driven innovations in addressing the emerging challenges in agriculture and promoting resilient farming systems. Dr. P. Rajkumar, Dean, Agricultural Engineering College and Research Institute, TNAU, Coimbatore, addressed the gathering and highlighted the importance of engineering interventions in modern agriculture and the need for collaborative research to develop sustainable technologies for future agricultural challenges.

The inaugural function was graced by the presence of Dr. N. Venkatesa Palanichamy, Dean (Agriculture), Coimbatore; Dr. K. Venkatesan, Dean (Horticulture), Coimbatore; Dr. C. Babu, Dean, School of Post Graduate Studies (SPGS); Dr. J. Ramalingam, Dean, Centre for Students Welfare (CSW), and Dr.P.Balasubramaniam, Director, Directorate of Natural Resource Management who encouraged interdisciplinary collaboration and innovation in agricultural education and research. The inaugural ceremony also witnessed the release of the conference Souvenir by the dignitaries, marking the formal commencement of the conference. The conference organization was coordinated by the Staff Organizing Secretaries Dr. Balaji Kannan and Dr. R. Thiyagarajan, along with the Joint Staff Organizing Secretaries Dr. K. Aruna Devi and Dr. A. P. Mohan Kumar, while Ms. Amulyaa Shri E and Mr. Devaganesh A served as the Student Organizing Secretaries.

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