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58th Annual General Body Meeting

Date : **09th December 2023**

Time : **6.30 PM**

Venue : **IFTTC Auditorium**
CSIR-CFTRI Campus
Mysuru.

AGENDA

1. Welcome address.
2. Minutes of the last AGBM.
3. Secretary's report (annual reports from Headquarters & Chapters).
4. Treasurer's report & audited statement of accounts.
5. Amendments to the Constitution, if any.
6. Appointment of Auditor & fixing the remuneration.
7. Announcement of election results.
8. Induction of President-Designate as President and Joint Secretary as Secretary.
9. Any other matter with the permission of the Chair.

Secretary's Report

Dear members of the Central Executive Committee, esteemed AFST(I) members, fellows and staff of the AFST(I).

It is my honour to welcome you all to the 58th Annual General Body Meeting in the beautiful city of Mysuru Karnataka State, a city of historical importance. I take this great opportunity to express my sincere gratitude to all the members for giving me an opportunity to serve as the Honorary Secretary of this esteemed organisation for the year 2023.

I deem it an honour to present the Annual Report of AFST(I) and its chapters for the year 2023

The Central Executive Committee:

Dr. N Bhaskar	President
Dr. Nilesh S Amritkar	President-Designate
Dr. Alok Kumar Srivastava	Immd. Past President
Dr. K V Harish Prashanth	Vice President, HQ
Mr. Nilesh Lele	Vice President, Mumbai
Dr. Prabhat K Nema	Vice President, NIFTEM Kundli
Dr. Jyothirmayi T	Vice President, Hyderabad
Dr. Jagan Mohan R	Vice President, Thanjavur
Dr. Suresh D Sakhare	Hon. Secretary
Dr. Naveen Shivanna	Hon. Joint Secretary
Dr. Nandini P Shetty	Immd. Past Secretary
Dr. Tanaji G Kudre	Hon. Treasurer
Mr. Basavaraja Mundalamani	Immd. Past Treasurer
Permanent Invitees	
Dr. N Bhaskar	Editor in Chief, JFST
Dr. Varadaraj M C	Chief Editor, IFI Mag
Invitees: Presidents of all AFST(I) Chapters	

The Central Executive Committee (CEC) met three times offline during the year, to discuss various agendas for strengthening AFST(I) activities and made several important decisions.

I. *Formation of committees*

The following committees were constituted by CEC for the day-to-day functioning of the Association.

Credential Committee

Name	Designation
Dr. K V Harish Prashanth	Chairman
Dr. K A Srihari	Co-Chairperson
Dr. Naveen Shivanna	Convener
Dr. Anu Appaiah KA	Member
Dr. Ayub Khan	Member
Dr. Jeyarani T	Member
Ex-officio (Hon. Secretary)	
Ex-officio (Hon. Treasurer)	

Finance Committee

Name	Designation
Dr. Jaydeep A	Chairman
Dr. Aashitosh A Inamdar	Co-Chairman
Dr. Tanaji G Kudre	Convener
Dr. Basavaraja Mundalamani	Member
Shri. Chitale MM	Member
Dr. Rudra Gouda P	Member
Dr. Nandini P Shetty	Member
Dr. Prasad Rao UJS	Member
Ex-officio (Hon. Secretary)	
Ex-officio (Hon. Treasurer)	

Publication Committee

Name	Designation
Editor-in-Chief JFST	Chairman
Chief Editor IFI Mag	Co-Chairman
Dr. Naveen Shivanna	Convener - Ex-officio (Joint. Secretary)
All Editors of both Journals (JFST and IFI Mag)	
Ex-officio (Hon. Secretary)	
Ex-officio (Hon. Treasurer)	

Website Committee

Name	Designation
Dr. Aashitosh A Inamdar	Chairman
Dr. Prabhat K Nema	Co-Chairperson
Dr. Siva Naga Suresh Purama	Convener
Dr. Wadikar DD	Member
Dr. K V Harish Prashanth	Member
Mr. Manohar MSR	Member
Dr. Narayan Prasad	Member
Mr. Anjaneya P	Member
Dr. Nandini P Shetty	Member
Ex-officio (Hon. Secretary)	
Ex-officio (Hon. Treasurer)	

Awards Committee

Name	Designation
Dr. Giridhar P	Chairman
Dr. Jagan Mohan R	Co-Chairman
Dr. Suresh D Sakhare	Convener
Dr. Jyothirmayi T	Member
Dr. Jaydeep A	Member
Dr. Attar Singh Chauhan	Member
Dr. Anand Tamatam	Member
Dr. Abdul Rasheed	Member
Ms. Subhaprada Nishtala	Member
Dr. S.V.N. Vijayendra	Member
Ex-officio (Hon. Secretary)	
Ex-officio (Hon. Treasurer)	

Industrial Relations Committee

Name	Designation
Dr. Nilesh S Amritkar	Chairman
Dr. Prabodh S Halde	Co-Chairman
Mr. Nilesh Satish Lele	Convener
Mr. Rajeshwar Matche	Member
Dr. Dinkar B Kamble	Member
Dr. Sunil Adsule	Member
Dr. Yadav KD	Member
Dr. Gourab Chatterjee	Member
Dr. Anand Chordia	Member
Mr. Sathyendra Rao B V	Member
Dr. Shaminder Pal Singh	Member
Dr. Tej Kuchroo	Member
Dr. Prasad RBN	Member
Ms. Chinmayee Deulgaonkar	Member
Mr. Ritesh Mathur	Member
Ex-officio (Hon. Secretary)	
Ex-officio (Hon. Treasurer)	

Government Relations Committee

Name	Designation
Dr. Prabodh S Halde	Chairman
Dr. Jagan Mohan R	Co-Chairman
Dr. Wadikar DD	Convener
Dr. Ashutosh Upadhyay	Member
Dr. Alok Kumar Srivastava	Member
Dr. Sagar A Kurade	Member
Dr. Madhava Naidu	Member
Dr. Prabhat K Nema	Member
Dr. Jitendra Dongre	Member
Dr. Umesh Kamble	Member
Ex-officio (Hon. Secretary)	
Ex-officio (Hon. Treasurer)	

Students Committee

Name	Designation
Dr. Ravendra Pratap Singh	Chairman
Dr. Jyothirmayi T	Co-Chairperson
Dr. Tanaji G Kurde	Convener
Dr. Usha Dharmaraj	Member
Dr. Farooq Ahmad Masoodi	Member
Dr. Savitha Prashanth MR	Member
Dr. Uma Manjappara	Member
Dr. Anu Appaiah K A	Member
Dr. Amritpal Kaur	Member
Dr. Usharani Dandamudi	Member
Dr. Shalini Arya	Member
Dr. Jyoti Gokhale	Member
Ex-officio (Hon. Secretary)	
Ex-officio (Hon. Treasurer)	

Permanent Building Committee

Name	Designation
Shri B Raghuramaiah	Chairman
Dr N Bhaskar	Co Chairman
Dr Aashitosh A Inamdar	Convener
Dr Suresh D Sakhare	Member
Dr K D Yadav	Member
Dr Abdul Rasheed K K	Member
Dr Jyothirmayi T	Member
Dr Vidyut K Naram	Member
Dr Prabodh S Halde	Member
Ex-officio (Hon. Secretary)	
Ex-officio (Hon. Treasurer)	

By-Law Amendment Screening Committee

Name	Designation
Dr. Alok Kumar Srivastava	Chairman
Dr. Rajeshwar S Matche	Co-Chairman
Dr. Suresh D Sakhare	Convener
Dr. Uday Shankar	Member
Dr. U J S Prasad Rao	Member
Dr. S B K Warriar	Member
Dr. Parmjit S Panesar	Member
Dr. R B N Prasad	Member
Dr. K V Harish Prashanth	Member
Dr. Gourab Chatterjee	Member
Dr. Brijesh Srivastava	Member
Ex-officio (Hon. Secretary)	
Ex-officio (Hon. Treasurer)	

Technical Committee

Name	Designation
Dr. Anu Appaiah K A	Chairman
Dr. K D Yadav	Co-Chairman
Dr. Tanaji G Kurde	Convener
Dr. D D Wadikar	Member
Dr. Madhava Naidu	Member
Dr. Bhagyalakshmi N	Member
Dr. Uday S Annapure	Advisor
Dr. Alok Kumar Srivastava	Advisor
Ex-officio (Hon. Secretary)	
Ex-officio (Hon. Treasurer)	

Membership

During the current year (2023) the number of membership of AFST (I) stands at **5127** out of which **4189** are life members (including Fellow).

Credential Committee: The Credential Committee met in the current year to scrutinize the applications received (462 new applications) for various categories of membership. Due to the life membership offer, there was a remarkable increase in the number of life membership applications this year as well. The Credential Committee did a wonderful job expediting the clearance of the application forms.

Life membership drive: Based on repeated requests from various chapters and members, the CEC advised taking up a Life Membership drive during the current year. The life membership offer was made available from **May 23, 2023** to **November 15, 2023** information about the membership drive was hosted on the AFST (I) website for wider dissemination.

Welcome Kit for Life Members: The Welcome Kit provided to Life Members consists of a Lapel pin, Tie, Pen drive with pre-loaded AFSTI content, Mouse Pad, and a Touch pen. This gesture from the CEC was widely appreciated by the members and is seen as a welcome step for attracting new Life members.

Finance Committee: The Finance committee met to discuss the Budget and Financial Status of the AFST(I). The committee made the following suggestions:

- Dr. Suresh D Sakhare, Hon. Secretary informed that, the company supporting the 9th IFCoN 2023 with good sponsorship would have their advertisement featured in IFI Mag for the current year (Package).
- IFI Mag hard copy will be issued only to Life Members. The digital format (Soft copy) will be given to Student members.
- Hon. Treasurer informed that the **Chapter share for the year 2021-22 has been paid to those who have submitted audited reports.**

Website Committee: The major initiative was taken by the website committee to develop portal for online election of chapters, which was made under One organization One website initiative. The Demo Election for chapters (Aurangabad) was conducted successfully and it was suggested that from the next year the chapters could make use of the same platform. The Application Software (MIS) has been made ready and implemented and AFST (I)-HQ offices and Chapter's LEC online election platform is implemented for the live portal. The following procedure was followed for live elections:

- Communication to all chapters of AFST(I) regarding the rules to conduct online elections for various offices of their chapters was sent on August 28, 2023. Chapters were advised to send the notification and calendar of events for their chapters for uploading into the AFST(I) election portal.
- Online Elections for the following chapters of AFST(I) for the year 2024 was held from August 2023 to October 2023. **Aurangabad Chapter, Vallabh Vidyanagar Chapter and Rourkela Chapter followed and successfully** conducted the Online Elections.
- Guidelines and procedures were provided to all AFST(I) chapter to schedule the calendar of events for the online elections. The calendar of events provided by the chapters were uploaded on to the Election portal of AFST(I).

Building Committee: In order to obtain an alternate site, a lawyer was hired for legal consultation. MUDA allotted an alternative site with number 173 at JP Nagar, measuring 215.62 sq m. The new site is 74 sq m larger than the original site. Hence, MUDA requested that the difference amount to be paid be as per the 2023 MUDA rates. However, the AFST(I) office, with the lawyer, justified that MUDA needed to consider the difference amount as per 2019-20. The request letter was approved by MUDA, and the alternate site was issued with the 2019-20 price. This was consulted by MUDA with their legal team, and our request was approved. These efforts saved a large amount for AFST(I). As per the requirement of MUDA, the previous documents pertaining to the original sites were submitted. The difference amount was paid from DJBF, and the allotment letter was issued in the name of Dr. Inamdar AA, which would subsequently be transferred to AFST(I).

However, to save on double registration charges, a request was made to Chairman, MUDA, to issue the allotment letter directly in the name of Hon. Secretary, AFST(I), with written consent from CEC. MUDA agreed to the same, and the site has been allotted in the name of Hon. Secretary, AFST(I).

Awards Committee: The award committee met several times to scrutinize and consolidate the suggestions received from Experts Panel and forwarding them to the CEC. The screening committee was nominated for evaluate the applications and nominations received for various AFST(I) awards as per the guidelines. The Award committee submitted the scrutinized list to the CEC for further finalization of the awardees.

Industrial & Government Relations Committee: The Industrial Relations Committee met during the year to discuss how to strengthen the industry – academia gap. Based on discussions with Government relation committee it was decided to conduct a workshop where academicians, industry representative and govt officials would be invited for panel discussion.

Student Committee: Under the supervision of the Students' Committee of AFST(I), a webinar on the topic "Secrets of Recruitment!" was organized by Ms. Chinmayee Deulgaonkar, Managing Director of Food Chain ID India, on September 02, 2023. The event was attended by approximately 155 students, CEC members of AFST(I), and members of the Students' Committee. Dr. R P Singh, Chairman of the Student Committee of AFST(I), extended a warm welcome to all the speakers and participants. Ms. Chinmayee covered the topic on the Secrets of Recruitment, encompassing several key aspects, including choosing a job application, tailoring CVs, understanding the job role, workplace culture, attitude, improving soft and hard skill sets, networking, and ways to express ideas and interests. She also shared her experiences with participants, narrating her journey from the beginning until today. The question-and-answer session was skilfully moderated by Dr. Usharani Dandamudi. Dr. Tanaji G Kudre, Hon. Treasurer of AFST(I) and Convener of the Students' Committee, expressed gratitude with a vote of thanks.

II. *E - Election:*

Shri B Vasu was nominated as the Returning Officer for the current year's elections of AFST (I) -HQ and Central observer for Online Election of Chapters. The results of the election will be announced officially in the AGBM as per the notice of the Election & AGBM.

III. *Annual Convention and other activities at Headquarters:*

The CEC decided to organize **9th International Food Convention [IFCoN]**, AFST(I) with **CSIR-CFTRI, DRDO-DFRL** and **CSIR-IITR** as co-organizers during 7-10th December 2023 in Mysuru on the Theme "**TRIMSAFE – Technology Re-engineering for Innovation and Mitigating the risk for a Safe, sustainable Affordable & secure Food Eco-system**". DSIR, FSSAI, IPFT and KSOU agreed to be Supporting partners for the event.

The Logo and theme contest for selecting Logo for 9th IFCoN was arranged for Students and PhD Research Fellows both for members as well as non-members. Many appreciations was received, and the expert team scrutinized the entries and selected a logo for adoption with the required modification. The winner will be conferred with a suitable memento, certificate, and free registration for the Conference.

A contest to select the logo for the 9th IFCoN was organized for both students and PhD research fellows, which was open to both members and non-members. Numerous applications were received, and the expert team reviewed all entries, ultimately choosing a logo for adoption with the necessary modifications. The winner will be honoured with a memento, a certificate, and complimentary registration for the conference.

An exclusive website for IFCoN (www.ifcon.org) is maintained for the registration of delegates with an abstract and poster submission portal. An IFCoN App is also functional for all the users and there will be 98 speakers and 24 sessions.

Following promotional activities for IFCoN 2023 have been conducted during to create awareness of IFCoN:

Sl. No.	Venue & Date	Brief about the Programme
1.	ICAR – Central Institute of Fisheries Education, Mumbai 25 th July 2023	9 th IFCoN 2023 Curtain Raiser with the unveiling of the Logo programme. Sri. Anoop Kumar, Additional Chief Secretary, Agriculture Department, Government of Maharashtra, Mumbai. Dr. Ravishankar C N, Director & Vice Chancellor, ICAR - Central Institute of Fisheries Education, Mumbai, and Dr N Bhaskar President AFST(I), CEC members along with students & industries representatives were participated. The program was successfully conducted.
2.	NIFTEM Kundli 21 st August 2023	9 th IFCoN 2023 Awareness Programme for M. Tech and PhD students along with faculty members. Dr. Vijay Raghavan, Professor McGill, Canada and Dr. Abdul Rasheed KK, President, AFST(I) Kollam Chapter & Dr. Prabhat K Nema, Vice President, NIFTEM-Kundli AFST(I) were present.
3.	CSIR – Central Food Technological Research Institute, Mysuru 11 th September 2023	9 th IFCoN 2023 Curtain raiser and App Launch was conducted successfully in presence of Dr. Sridevi Annapurna Singh, Director, CSIR-CFTRI, Mysuru. Dr. Anil Dutt Semwal, Director, DRDO – DFRL, Mysuru, Nominee Dr. T. Anand and Prof. Ashok Pandey from Lucknow and CEC members along with AFST(I) members and Students of CSIR-CFTRI and DRDO-DFRL
4.	CSIR – Indian Institute of Toxicology Research, Lucknow 12 th October 2023	9 th IFCoN 2023 Curtain raiser took place during SET-FEST two-day Conference. Dr. N Bhaskar, Dr. Alok K Srivastava, Dr. Suresh D Sakhare, Dr. Tanaji G Kudre along with CEC members of AFST(I) were present during the event.
5.	ITC Kakatiya, A Luxury Collection Hotel, Hyderabad 15 th October 2023	9 th IFCoN 2023 Curtain raiser with Networking Meet dinner was organized. Dr. Jyothirmayi T, Dr. Naveen Shivanna and Dr. Tanaji G Kudre were present during the event.
6.	The Southern India Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Indian Chamber Buildings, Chennai 19 th October 2023	9 th IFCoN 2023 Curtain raiser program was conducted. Ms. Bhavani Srinivasan, Southern India Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Chennai and Dr. Suresh D Sakhare were present.
7.	SRM Institute of Science & Technology, Kattankulathur, Tamil Nadu 19 th October 2023	Promotional Activities of 9 th IFCoN 2023 took place during National Conference on Millet processing, value addition and food sustainability. Dr. N Bhaskar addressed the participants at SRM Institute of Science & Technology.

There is overwhelming support in terms of delegate Registrations and Sponsors/Exhibitors/Advertisers for the 9th IFCoN.

Memorial Lectures

Venue & Date	Event	Brief about the Programme
Hotel Southern Star, Mysuru 9 th July 2023	Dr B L Amla Memorial Lecture	“Food Science: Key Imperatives for Consumer Products” by Dr. Suresh Ramamurthi, Chief Scientist and Head Corporate Research, ITC Life Sciences and Technology Centre, Bangalore.
Dr. NGP Arts and Science College Department of Food Science and Nutrition, Coimbatore 22 nd August 2023	Sri G C P Rangarao Memorial Lecture and Promotional Activities of 9 th IFCoN 2023	“Over view of food processing industries and commercial aspects of food packaging” by Mr. R. Ramkuttty, Managing Director, Niswin Foods Pvt. Ltd., Coimbatore.
SH Zaidi Auditorium, CSIR-IITR, Lucknow 11 th October 2023	Prof JV Bhatt Memorial Lecture	“Characterization and Therapeutic Applications of Phycobiliproteins from Cyanobacteria” by Prof. Datta Madamwar, Scientific Advisor, P.D. Patel Institute of Applied Sciences, Charotar University of Science and Technology, Changa, Gujarat.

By Padmashri Dr V Prakash, Former Director, CSIR-CFTRI, Mysuru will be delivering Dr H A B Parpia Memorial Lecture on 9th December 2023 at IFTTC Auditorium, CSIR-CFTRI Campus, Mysuru.

World Food Day – 2023

AFST(I) HQ requested all the chapters to organize World Food Day – 2023 and provided financial support of Rs.25,000/- to each chapter who has conducted this program. 25 chapters have successfully conducted the World Food Day 2023.

IV. Publications

Journal of Food Science & Technology: We are pleased to inform you that there is an increase in the journal's impact factor to **3.117 (2021)**. The CEC places on record its commendation to Editor-in-Chief Dr N Bhaskar and his committed team for their meticulous efforts.

Indian Food Industry Mag: The conscientious efforts of the Chief Editor and his team are praiseworthy for bringing out regular issues of IFI-Mag. The Chief Editor issued certificates to all the reviewers, and the list of the reviewers was published in the last issue of IFI Mag 2022.

Journal of Grain Science & Technology (JGST): A New journal was planned to be launched and other process will be done.

V. New Chapter/s:

The Guntur Chapter was inaugurated during this year in presence of Dr Jyothirmayi T as a CEC member of AFST(I).

VI. Chapters:

Chapters are wings of AFST (I) for dissemination of knowledge on Food Science & Technology. Continuous efforts were made to obtain the audited accounts from 46 chapters. At present we have received 33 chapters audited reports.

VII. *Meeting with chapters:*

Several meetings were organized with LEC of chapters during the year to sensitize and activate the Chapters for various events.

Chapter Activities: The reports on the activities were received only from 27 Chapters, viz., Allahabad, Aurangabad, Bengaluru, Bhopal, Chennai, Cochin, Dapoli, Davangere, Guntur, Haldia, Jabalpur, Kakinada, Kolhapur, Kollam, Longowal, Lucknow, Mumbai, Nagpur, NIFTEM Kundli, Pune, Raichur, Rourkela, Tezpur, Thanjavur, Thrissur, Vallabh Vidyanagar, Varanasi, a brief on the reports received from these Chapters is given below.

ALLAHABAD CHAPTER

- 1) **Activity/Event Name:** *Lecture on “Value addition of millets for nutritional security, sustainability and enhanced income” by Prof. Neelam Yadav*

Date: December 1, 2022 at 12:00 PM

Summary: The lecture by Prof. Neelam Yadav encompassed each and every area related to millets such as- the botanical classification, climatic requirements, national and global production status, processing and consumption metrics, nutritive value and health benefits. In addition to this the current significance and opportunities millets provides by means of value addition, setting up of small-scale start-ups and FBO's etc were also discussed. The lecture provided wholesome information of all the aspects about the “mighty millets” to the Undergraduate, Postgraduate and PhD students. Faculty members Dr. Pinki Saini, Dr. Vinita Puranik, Dr. Urvashi Sharma and Dr. Rahul Agarwal were present. The session was presided over by Dr. Devinder Kaur, Secretary, AFST (I) Allahabad Chapter.

- 2) **Activity/Event Name:** *“Quiz Competition on Millets”*

Date: December 7, 2022 at 2:00pm

Summary: Around 140 (UG & PG students) & faculty and staff.

Summary: Postgraduate and PhD students of Food Technology participated in the quiz competition with good enthusiasm. Questions were asked to the students from the fields like scientific name, variety, institute, enterprise etc. of Millets roped into three different rounds namely- *Question & Answer; Visual Round and Rapid Fire round*. Prof. SI Rizvi (Dean, Research University of Allahabad) presented the prizes to the winning team having Neelam Dubey (research scholar) and Amit Maurya (postgraduate student). The coordinator of the institute, Professor Neelam Yadav, teachers, Prof. A. R. Siddiqui, Dr. Pinki Saini, Dr. Vinita Puranik, Dr. Urvashi Sharma and Dr. Rahul Agarwal were present on the occasion. The vote of thanks for the program was done by Dr. Devinder Kaur, Secretary, AFST(I) Allahabad Chapter.

- 3) **Activity/Event Name:** *Independence Day Celebration (August 15, 2023)*

Centre of Food Technology, University of Allahabad and Association of Food Scientists & Technologists of India AFST (I) Allahabad chapter united to celebrate the spirit of 77th Independence Day on August 15, 2023. “*Har Ghar Tiranga*” movement was observed with full zest and vigour in which the staff and students of the department posted their pictures with the hoisted Tiranga and got immersed in the mood of Independence week celebration. Students of M. Sc Food Technology semester third rekindled the spirit of patriotism by the group song. Prof. Neelam Yadav, delivered the address on emphasizing the essence of independence. Prof. Mona Khare (Director IPS), Dr. Pinki Saini, Dr. Devinder Kaur (Secretary AFSTI), Dr. Vinita Puranik (Treasurer AFSTI), and all the staff members were present on the occasion.

4) Activity/Event Name: National Nutrition Month (September 1-30,2023)

Based on this year's theme by UNICEF for National Nutrition Week 2023 is "Healthy diet going Affordable to all" emphasizing the significance of nutritious and cost effective wholesome healthy meals to ensure adequate nutrition. Two activities namely- "Healthy affordable diet for all" –Poster Competition and " *Millet based Pack-lunch*"- *Recipe Contest* were organized on September 22 and 25 respectively. UG and PG students of Food Technology programme participated in both the competitions with great zest. Three teams participated in Poster competition whereas eighteen teams participated in the recipe competition. Dr.Devinder Kaur (Secretary AFSTI, Allahabad chapter) presided over the events and faculty, staff and research scholars were present at the events.

5) Activity/Event Name: World Food Day (October 16, 2023)

Centre of Food Technology in association with AFSTI Allahabad Chapter has celebrated World Food Day -2023 on October 16, on the focal theme "Millets for Food Security & Sustainability". Students of Department of Family and Community Sciences also co-participated in the competitions of the celebration. The event started with the "Millet Theme" (FAO&UNICEF) followed by the brief presentation of the activities organized under International Year of Millets (IYoM)-2023 by the University of Allahabad. Thereafter, two postgraduate students of both the participating departments gave the presentation on the sustainability, health benefits and daily dietary incorporation of millets. The chief guest Prof D. K. Chauhan (Former head, Dept. of Botany, University of Allahabad) and Prof. Neelam Yadav (President, AFSTI Allahabad Chapter) released brochure of Millets. Around 20 UG and PG students of Centre of Food Technology and Dept. of Family and Community Sciences presented their digital e- posters, which displayed diverse aspects of agricultural, economical and nutritional aspects of Millets. Special guest Prof. Ashish Khare (Director, IPS) encouraged the students to come up with the constructive ideas to set up start-ups related to millets, as it is a promising venture of today and future. Dr. Shalini Rudra Gaur (Senior Scientist, Dept. of Food Sciences & Post Harvest technology, ICAR, New Delhi) delivered a lecture entitled "Millets: 21st century requisites for health and sustainability." The lecture widened the knowledge of the attendees by the information provided. She emphasized on the movement of popularizing millets and also broadened our perspective related to adapt sustainable agricultural commodity to fight with the upcoming challenges related to food security and global hunger. Prizes and certificates were distributed to the winners of e-poster; Millet based pack lunch recipe contest (previous event under IYoM) and the oral student presenters. Dr. Devinder Kaur (Secretary AFSTI Allahabad Chapter) addressed the vote of thanks to all the guests, faculty staff and students of the participating departments Centre of Food Technology & Dept. of Family and Community Sciences, University of Allahabad.

AURANGABAD CHAPTER**Celebration of World Food Day**

World Food Day is celebrated every year on 16 October to commemorate the founding of FAO (Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations) in 1945. On 16 October 1945, 42 countries assembled in Quebec, Canada to create the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations. Their goal was to free humanity from hunger and malnutrition, and to effectively manage the global food system. The World Food Day was established by FAO member countries at the Organization's 20th General Conference in November 1979. The former Hungarian Minister of Agriculture and Food Dr. Pal Romany leading the Hungarian delegation played an active role in the 20th conference and suggested the idea of celebrating the World Food Day worldwide. Today, over 820 million people are suffering chronic undernourishment,

according to the latest FAO 2018 State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World report 1. It means that malnutrition affects around one in three people on the planet. More than 3 billion peoples (almost 40% of the world's population) cannot afford a healthy diet. Almost 2 billion peoples are overweight or obese due to poor diet and sedentary lifestyle.

Theme of World Food Day 2023: “Water is Food: Water is life; Leave no one behind.”

Agenda & Objectives of World Food Day Celebration at GMNIRD, Dr. B.A.M.U., Chh. Sambhaji Nagar (Aurangabad)

As per above subject Gopinathrao Munde National Institute of Rural Development and Research (GMNIRD), University Department of Chemical Technology (UDCT), Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University, Chh. Sambhaji Nagar (Aurangabad) and Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Aurangabad celebrated various World Food Day-2023 with the support of AFSTI, Aurangabad Chapter, Stakeholders, and Local Food Technology colleges/institutes (MIT, MGM, IIFST etc.) celebrated the World food Day on October 16, 2023 at Conference Hall, GMNIRD, Dr. BAMU, Chh. Sambhaji Nagar (Aurangabad). The event was attended by 152 participants from various reputed Institutes of Aurangabad.

The various activities like quiz, rangoli, poster competitions and plenary sessions conducted along with awareness among students and stakeholders regarding healthy and nutritional eating habits viz. EAT RIGHT AWARENESS ACTIVITY. The promotional activity of 9th IFCON-2023 and activities of AFSTI was also shared with participants. The detailed report is as follows.

Based on theme “**Water is Food: Water is life; Leave no one behind**” On the eve of celebration of WFD-2023, the following academic activities were scheduled.

A. Competitive Events

1) Rangoli Competition

Theme: Water is Life Water is Food

Conducted on 14 Oct, 2023 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

2) Online Quiz Competition

Event time was 11:00 -11:30 a.m. and was held on 15 Oct, 2023.

B. Plenary Session (16th Oct, 2023)

1) Water and Millet: Shri. Surykant Pawar, ADR, NARP, Aurangabad

2) Eat Right India: Shri. Ajeet Maitre, Asst. Commissioner, FDA, Aurangabad

C. 9th IFCON Promotional Activity (16th Oct, 2023)

D. Awareness about International Year of Millets - 2023

Following were the main objectives of the event:

- To highlight the importance of Water
- To highlight the importance of millets and its processing
- To highlight scope in food processing and encourage first generation entrepreneurs in this sector by expert Talk session
- To ensure the participation of youth from Food Technology background, FBOs, SHG women and farmers of the society,
- To create awareness about current through Rangoli and Online Quiz competition.
- To give wide publicity to AFSTI's upcoming 9th IFCON-2023 to be scheduled at HQ.

Registration Process: The soft copy of flyers about event and google form were circulated for accepting registrations of participants. The event registration was free of cost in order to have more participation. The news of event was also circulated in local news paper to draw attention of participants.

We received tremendous response for registration from all institutes of Aurangabad City. The registered students are grouped through invite link in Whatsapp group and further guidelines of events were circulated through it. We received 20 and 135 entries for Rangoli and Online quiz competition respectively.

Proceedings of the Event

The programme started with the chants of 'Ganesh Vandana' and Floral tribute to Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj, Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar and Gopinath Rao Munde. Afterwards Ms. Gauri Padalkar and Ms. Shravani Deshpande, B. Tech. final year students presented the welcome note and felicitation of Chief Guests Dr. P. S. Wakte, expert speakers Dr. Surykant Pawar, ADR, NARP, Aurangabad and Shri. Ajeet Maitre, Asst. Commissioner, FDA, Aurangabad, and Chairman were conducted by Dr. B. K. Sakhale, Prof. G. R. Pandhare, Mr. P. R. Vairagar.

Dr. Surykant Pawar, ADR, NARP, Aurangabad highlighted importance of water as food and life along with millets significance as draught resistant and low water crops. Then, Shri. Ajeet Maitre, Asst. Commissioner, FDA, Aurangabad states the significance and value of millets in our food and its importance, also he focused on EAT RIGHT activity of FSSAI in brief to the participants. Dr. P. S. Wakte, Professor and HOD, UDCT suggested students to work on area of water conservation and saving during their research. Lastly, in presidential remark Dr. B. K. Sakhale, President, AFSTI Aurangabad Chapter and Professor, University Department of Chemical Technology (UDCT), & Director (I/C), Gopinath Rao Munde National Institute of Rural Development & Research (GMNIRD), Dr. BAMU, Aurangabad given a brief introduction, activities of AFSTI Aurangabad Chapter and forthcoming event of 9th IFCON. He further emphasized on the history and importance of World Food Day and this year's theme "Water is Food: Water is life; Leave no one behind". Prof. Sakhale highlighted the significance of World Food Day, current facts of India's Agri-food production strength, scope of millets in sustainable food production and agro food industry. He appreciated the efforts taken by GMNIRD, UDCT staff and the AFSTI Aurangabad chapter for making this event to grand success.

The promotional activity for 9th IFCON and AFSTI activities was carried out by Mr. Pravin Vairagar, Ph.D. Scholar through Presentation and promotional video provided by AFSTI. The inauguration of Poster presentation was carried out by the guest and winners were selected by external expert of the field. The informative banners on EAT RIGHT theme were displayed in the corridors and campus for creating awareness.

The felicitation and certificates to the winners were given and prize money will be transferred through online mode. The event was financially supported by AFSTI, headquarter Mysuru.

At the end GMNIRD and UDCT master students presented short act on Wastage of Food done by youth in terms of cake wastage during birthday celebration. They succeed in their act to spread the message of Save food Save Life to the participants. The event was ended with the vote of thanks given by Mr. Mahesh Dake, Master student of the GMNIRD. The program was concluded with national anthem.

BANGALORE CHAPTER

- AFSTI (Bangalore Chapter) has joined hands with the Alumni Association of Dairy Science College, Hebbal, Bangalore for celebration of World Milk Day-2023 on 10.06.2023 at Kannada Sabhangana of Hebbal Campus in Bangalore. More than 500 people witnessed the event.

- AFSTI Bangalore chapter joined hands with Media Today Group for **14th Edition of India Foodex 2023**, an International exhibition on food products, beverages, processing and packaging machinery, food hospitality and allied industries along with **GrainTech India 2023** held from **25th - 27th August 2023** at Bangalore International Exhibition Centre (BIEC), Bangalore, India.
- AFSTI (Bangalore Chapter) has organised World Food Day 2023 jointly with Dairy Science College, Hebbal, Bangalore on 27.10.2023 at Dr. Varghese Kurien Hall, Dairy Science College, Bangalore. The program started with condolence to Dr. K. C. Raghu, Managing Director, Pristine Organics, Bangalore. An expert talk was delivered by Prof. Shankar, P.A., Former Dean (Post Graduate Studies), KVAFSU, Bidar & Former Director of Instruction, Dairy Science College, Hebbal, Bangalore on “Does use of untreated water pose a challenge to safety and quality of processed foods?”. Slogan and Drawing competitions were also held during the programme.
- An International conference on “**Food, Health and Natural ingredients for producing sustainable and safe food**” was Jointly organized by Informa Markets India Pvt Ltd., Mumbai & AFSTI Bengaluru Chapter from 21st to 23rd September 2022.
- AFSTI Bangalore chapter joined hands with a programme on “**Poshan Gyan on Nutricereals-Millet**” organized jointly by Mount Carmel College, Bangalore and Centre of Excellence for Nutri-Cereals, UAS, GKVK, BANGALORE at Auditorium-III, GJB, Mount Carmel College, Bangalore on 29.09.2022 at Auditorium-III, GJB, Mount Carmel College, Bangalore.

BHOPAL CHAPTER

- As per the records available there are total 72 members in Bhopal Chapter of AFST(I)
- Efforts are being made to increase the membership of AFST(I).
- All members have been asked to participate in the voting of AFST(I)
- No major activity was conducted in this financial year, however, a meeting has been called on 8.11.2023 to accelerate the activity of AFST(I), Bhopal Chapter.

CHENNAI CHAPTER

Eat Right Millet Exhibition cum Competition 2023:

Department of Food Technology, Rajalakshmi Engineering College, Chennai organized an Exhibition cum Competition on Eat Right Millet as a part of the celebrations of International Millet Year- 2023 on January 25, 2023 at REC Indoor Auditorium. This program was jointly organised with AFST(I), Chennai, and FSSAI, Kancheepuram. Around 90 student participants from various departments had exhibited about 90 millet based diversified products like traditional products, Bakery products, Beverages, Snack Products etc. Chef Damu evaluated all the products and recommended the prize winners. Around 500 students attended the event and interacted with the speakers. Mrs. K. Prabha, Senior Nutritionist, NetProFaN created awareness on the need for nutritional diet for healthy lifestyle to the young minds. Mr. Saalai Vadamalai, Founder & Director, Uzhavan's Kukky encouraged the participants by pointing out the nutritional benefits of millets and to foster an environment conducive to their production.

National Symposium on Current Trends in Food Safety and Quality Control 2023:

Department of Food Process Engineering School of Bioengineering, SRM Institute of Science and Technology, Kattankulathur has organized the National Symposium on “Current trends in food safety and quality control 2023” on 10th February 2023 in collaboration with Association of Food Science and Technology (AFSTi), Chennai Chapter. The symposium provided the opportunity for young students and

research scholars to enrich their knowledge on food safety and quality control methods and also highlighted the importance of food safety. Around 170 students participated in the event from 11 different institutions, research centres and colleges from Tamil Nadu.

AFSTI Chennai Monthly Core committee meeting - March 2023:

Office bearers conducted monthly meeting on March 11, 2023 focusing on annual events for the year 2023 and key highlights of the events – Central Executive Committee meeting and Industry interaction with Department of Consumer Affairs were discussed.

AFSTI Chennai meeting with academic institutions for discussing the events for year 2023:

Event plans for the year 2023 was discussed online with over 11 local executive members and academic representatives from five institutions and SICCI on March 28, 2023 such as World Food Day, Food safety day, etc.,

Workshop on Food Safety Management System Internal Auditor Certificate Programme:

Food Safety Workshop on Internal Auditor Certificate Programme was conducted by the Department of Home Science, Queen Mary's college, Chennai on February 23, 24 and 25, 2023 for sensitizing student learners about food safety.

Industry Interaction with Secretary, Department of Consumer Affairs, GoI and State Metrology Officers:

Industry interaction meeting took place with Secretary, Department of Consumer Affairs, GoI and state metrology officers on March 2nd 2023 at National Test House (SR), CSIR road, Tharamani, Chennai. Over 12 food industry and academia representatives participated in the interaction event.

Industry interaction was initiated with food industry participants, State level Legal Metrology Department and Consumer affairs officers. Event was headed by Mr. Ashutosh Agarwal, Director, Department of Consumer Affairs, Legal Metrology Division, Government of India; Dr. Alok Kumar Srivastava, Honorable Director General, National Test House SR, Taramani and chief guest – Mr. Rohit Kumar Singh, IAS, Secretary, Department of Consumer Affairs, Government of India.

FEAST 2K23:

Department of Food Technology, Bannari Amman Institute of Technology, Tamil Nadu organized the International Conference on “Food for the Future: Exploring Sustainable and Innovative Food Practices (FEAST 2K23)” on April 20th and 21st, 2023 through Hybrid mode. The event had over six speakers from industry and research institutes.

World Food Safety Day 2023:

World Food Safety Day was celebrated in National Food Laboratory, Chennai with Association of Food Scientists & Technologists (India) – Chennai Chapter on June 7, 2023. Over 35 academicians and students participated in the technical sessions and quiz program. Dr. Sanu Jacob, Head of National Food Laboratory Chennai inaugurated the session, set up context on how Food Standards are important for establishing and maintaining food safety.

Dr. Gowri Nambiar Sengupta, DDG (PH) & Director, Central Health Education Bureau (CHEB), New Delhi spoke about the importance of Good food for good health. Followed by Dr. Ranjith A, Scientist C, Spices Board India, Chennai spoke about the Spices – Export and Food safety challenges. Quiz competition was conducted on food standards, safety and food regulations, followed by lab visit for chemical and microbiological sections was arranged.

Singara Chennai Food Festival 2023 – Eat Right Millet Mela:

Eat Right Millet Mela Chennai was conducted on September 16, 17 and 18, 2023 in Island Grounds in association with AFSTI Chennai chapter. The three days event was arranged to provide awareness and outreach sessions via academicians and industry professionals. Over 100 student volunteers from different academic universities and institutions participated and provide sensitization information on healthy foods, lifestyle, good eating habits, BMI, food labels, food fortification, millet processing, etc.,

Millet Day 2023: Stella Maris college, Chennai celebrated Millet Day in collaboration with FSSAI and AFSTI Chennai chapter with gallery of Millet Recipes on September 11, 2023

World Food Day Celebration 2023:

Food Day was celebrated by College of Fish Nutrition and Food technology, Tamil Nadu Dr. J Jayalalithaa Fisheries University, on 18 October 2023 with a technical seminar on the importance of Water in life by Ms. Bhavani, Scientist from Bureau of Indian Standards, Chennai branch. A competition was conducted on the theme of millet in every day snack.

Last respects to Dr. MS Swaminathan:

AFSTI Chennai chapter paid respects to late Dr MS Swaminathan at MSSRF, Taramani, Chennai on September 29, 2023

AFSTI Chennai Chapter newsletter 2023

AFSTI Chennai Chapter published two newsletters on January and April 2023 covering around 20 articles on artificial intelligence, hunger, food printing, food habits, allergens, safety, etc.,

COCHIN CHAPTER

1. Felicitation

T.K. Srinivasa Gopal received SOFTI award from Honorable Governor of Kerala, Shri. Arif Mohammed Khan. This award is given to scientists and technologists who have made outstanding Contributions in any branch of Fisheries Technology.

2. World Food Safety Day

FQLab and Research Centre in association with AFST (I) Cochin Chapter observed World Food Safety day on 7th June 2023. The Theme for the year was 'Food Standards Save Lives'. Dr. K Gopakumar Professor of Eminence of Kerala University of Fisheries and Ocean Studies (KUFOs) delivered the keynote address. Dr. B. Jacob, Vice President AFST (I) Cochin Chapter & CEO, FQLab& Research Centre (P) Ltd introduced Dr. K Gopakumar to the audience.

Dr. Gopakumar in his keynote address described the crucial role of food standards in saving human lives. He mentioned that food standards are designed to ensure safety and quality of food products. Standards play most important role in protecting public health and saving lives. He mentioned that the major factors in ensuring food safety are time, temperature and control of storage of food and preventing contamination throughout the food chain. Standards

3. AFST(I) Cochin Chapter associated in organising the 29th ICFoST at AL SAJ Convention Centre, Thiruvananthapuram

The 29th Indian Convention of Food Scientists and Technologists (ICFoST) was held at the Al SAJ Convention Centre, Kazhakootam Thiruvananthapuram from 5th to 7th January 2023. The Convention was organised by AFST (I), Mysore in association with Kollam and Cochin Chapters

of AFST (I). The Co-organisers were CFTRI Mysore, DRDO Mysore, MoFPI and Musaliar College of Engineering, Chirayinkeezhu, Thiruvananthapuram.

Dr. DD Nambudiri, President AFST (I) Cochin participated in the inaugural ceremony and joined the lighting of lamp on the occasion. He also chaired the plenary talk session. Dr. DD Nambudiri chaired the session on Meat and Marine Processing. On the second day of the convention Dr. AG Mathew delivered an invited lecture on 'Origin and Innovative Development of Spice Oleoresin Industry'. Dr. DD Nambudiri, President AFST (I) Cochin Chapter delivered the Welcome address of the valedictory session.

AFST (I) Cochin Chapter was represented by Dr. B. Jacob, Vice President, Dr. Srinivas Gopal, Dr. AG Mathew, founder member of AFST (I), Dr. Maya Raman, EC member, Sri. Sasikumar, EC member, Dr. Jenny Ann John, EC member and Sri. Jayan Jacob, Secretary, AFST (I) Cochin Chapter.

4. Food Tech Times

During the current year the 6^d, 7rd & 8th issues of the Newsletter were released. The 7th issue was released by Dr K M George, Secretary General, Global Millet Foundation and the 8th issue by Dr, C George Thomas, Chairman, Kerala State Biodiversity Board.

5. Seminar

Dr D DNambudiri, President, AFST(I) Cochin Chapter delivered a talk on 'millets : the healthy way of living' in the Seminar 'Emerge 2023' at Nirmala College, Chalakudy on 23 August 2023

6. World Food Day

A seminar was held in commemoration of World Food Day at Nirmala College of Arts and Science, Chalakudy on 27 October 2023. The seminar was organised by AFSTI Cochin Chapter in association with Dept of Food Technology, Nirmala College of Arts and Science, Chalakudy. Dr. Anilakumar, K R (Former Associate Director, DRDO-DFRL, Mysore) inaugurated the seminar. Dr Renjith. K R Scientist and Mr. Azad P V, Food Safety Officer were the Resource persons.

7. FOSTaC Trainings Conducted

During the report period FOSTaC Trainings were conducted by AFSTI Cochin Chapter to participants from Fair Exports, Kochi, Cashew exporters @ Nila Palace, Kollam, NAS Foods, Alappuzha and Nutricreams, Kochi.

DAPOLI CHAPTER

Association of Food Scientist and Technologist (India)-Dapoli Chapter in association with Dr. Balasaheb Sawant Konkan Krishi Vidyapeeth's P.G. Institute of Post Harvest Technology and Management, Killa-Roha has celebrated the World Food Day 2023. Various activities of the World food day was celebrated from 16.10.2023 to 20.10.2023. AFST(I) HQ has supported the world day by giving Rs.25,000/- for the conduct of the event.

Day I (16.10.2023) Inaugural Programme

The inauguration of the World Food Day 2023 at AFST(I) Dapoli was carried out on the auspicious hands of Sh. N. D. Mohite Asstt. Commissioner (Food), Zone-I, F.D.A. (M.S.) Raigad, Dr. S. B. Patange Associate Dean, P.G.I.P.H.T.M. Killa-Roha and Dr. S. B. S. wami Secretary AFST(I), Dapoli Chapter and Professor and Head, Department of Post Harvest Engineering, PGI-PHTM, Killa-Roha.

During the Inaugural programme various authorities of the FDA Raigad was present namely Sh. N. D. Mohite Asstt. Commissioner (Food), Zone-I; Sh. M. R. Ghosalwad Asstt. Commissioner (Food), Zone-III, Sh. S. R. Adhav,

FSO, F.D.A.(M.S.) Raigad; Sh.V.S.Nikam FSO,F.D.A.(M.S.) Raigad. All the students and staff members of P.G.Institute of Post Harvest Technology and Management, Killa-Roha was also present during the programme. In all around 59 participants were present during the event.

Sh.N.D.Mohite Asstt.Comissioner (Food), Zone-I, F.D.A.(M.S.) Raigad has delivered his talk on Food Safety Standardization Act. Mr.Mohite has expressed the current need of the FSSAI in the food preparing and its marketing. He has expressed the various issues of food safety in relation with the case studies and his past experiences. The students and staff members has been enlightened with the various issues of food safety.

Sh.V.S.Nikam FSO,F.D.A.(M.S.) Raigad has delivered his lecture on International Year of Millet 2023. Mr.Nikam has expressed the need of millet in the daily diet. Also every one should utilize the millet products in the daily consumption.

Sh.Ganesh Gore Head of Operations Naturax India Pvt.Ltd, Roha has delivered his lecture on theme of the world food day “*Water is Life, Water is Food. Leave no one behind*” Sh.Gore has shared the importance of each drop of water and how it can be utilized for the generation of food. For clarifying the importance of each drop of water Sh.Gore has shared various issues related the water in India and abroad.

Day II (17.10.2023)

Invited Lecture-Dr.Ramakant Harlalka, Managing Director, Nishant Aroma Pvt.Ltd. Palghar

Topic-Scope of Aromatic Plants in Konkan

Dr.Ramakant Harlalka, Managing Director, Nishant Aroma Pvt.Ltd. Palghar has delivered his Talk on “Scope of Aromatic Plants in Konkan” Dr.Harlalka has expressed the potentiality of various Aromatic plants in the erstwhile campus of the Konkan.

The Debate competition was arranged on 17.10.2023. 15 no students have participated the event. The debate was on organic and non-organic foods.

Day III (18.10.2023)

Invited Lecture-Value Addition of Fish (Hasan Masalai), Kolad; The Poster presentation Competition-Topic-Waste to wealth was also carried out and 4 no students were participated the event. Invited Lecture: Institute Alumina (Rahul Joshi)-Topic- Future opportunities in Food Processing.

Cultural Programme was organised and various event has been carried out National anthem, Swagat geet, Singing, Mimicry, Dance, Poetry.

Day IV (19.10.2023)

EAT RIGHT MELA (*Eat Right India Campaign organized in Association with FDA Raigad*).

In view of International Millet Year-2023 programme and to create awareness among the people, the millet based food items were prepared by 41 students in 13 groups and were exhibited to staff and students. The students explained the ingredients, recipes and importance of millet based products. During the event, the thirteen groups reported the active participation with different Millet based food items prepared. The products were evaluated by the Pannel of Five Judges and top scoring three winners were announced.

Quiz Competition

39 Students were participated in the competition in the 13 groups of three students each group. Each group was asked set of multiple choice 5 quotations. The group scouring similar marks was promoted to next group.

Day V (20.10.2023)

Invited Lecture- Dr. Shalini S. Arya Associate Professor, Dept. Food Engineering and Technology, ICT, Mumbai. Expert from ICT, Mumbai On “Recent Advances in Food Technology to Cater the Need of Food Processing”

Elocution Competition

Elocution Competition (Challenges and Opportunities in Food Sector for 21st Century) was carried out in this event around 19 students have been participated.

The award winners from the different event will be felicitated with the Certificate of winners shortly.

Lastly Dr.S.B.Swami Secretary AFST(I), Dapoli Chapter and Professor and Head, Department of Post Harvest Engineering, PGI-PHTM, Killa-Roha has express the vote of thanks to Associate Dean, P.G.I.P.H.T.M.Killa-Roha and Dr.B.S.K.K.V.Authorities for providing the necessary facilities.

DAVANGERE CHAPTER

The AFST(i) Davangere Chapter was established in the year 2020-21. Presently the chapter holds 52 life members and 107 student members. The chapter actively involved in conducting various activities for under graduate and post graduate students. Actively involved in all the CEC meetings and Zonal meeting held at various places physically/online mode. The circulars and notifications of events conducted by the AFST(i) HQ and the other chapter was circulated time to time to chapter members and students motivated and take part in few of the activities conducted by AFSTi HQ in association with various chapters/institutions.

- The chapter holds LEC meeting very regularly to discuss plan of action of the chapter and to conduct to various activities for the under graduate and post graduate students.
- Special lecture by Sri. Nerlegi Gurusiddappa, Traditional Medical Practitioner, Davangere on “Importance of medicinal plants in Ayurveda on 21st January 2023.
- Competition “Cooking without Fire” was organised to M.Sc., Food Technology students on 4th February 2023. Certificate and cash award was given prize winners.
- Special lecture by Prof. B. Ramalingappa, Dept. Of Microbiology, Davangere University is organised on 7th March 2023 on the occasion of National Science Day 2023.
- On the occasion of National Science Day, model making competition for M.Sc., Food Technology students was conducted on 7th March 2023. Certificate and cash award was given prize winners.
- Special awareness programme on Food Hygiene, malnutrition and BMI was organised in association with Dept. Of Social Work, Davangere University for primary and higher primary school students at G.R. Hally, Chitradurga on 2nd September 2023.
- With special interest from our chapter enrolled/registered 13 members for AFSTi life membership.
- The World Food Day celebration is scheduled on 22nd November 2023.
- Annual General Body meeting of the LEC is scheduled on 30th December 2023.

GUNTUR CHAPTER**“Water: The Liquid Lifeline – AFSTI Guntur chapter Celebrates World Food Day”**

On October 12, 2023, the Department of Food Technology and Agriculture at Vignan University celebrated World Food Day with an extraordinary event that spotlighted water’s critical role in our daily lives and its profound influence on the food industry. The significance of this date stretches back to October 16, 1979, when the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and the United Nations jointly declared World Food Day, a global initiative to raise awareness about food security and nutrition. Under the “Water Is

Life, Water Is Food. Leave No One Behind” banner, this year’s theme highlighted the intrinsic connection between water and food production. The inaugural ceremony was held at Sangamam Seminar Hall, Vignan University, Vadlamudi, and Dr. Syed Irshaan, the President of AFSTI Guntur Chapter and Coordinator of the Department of Food Technology, Vignan University, gave the inaugural speech of the event. Dr. Irshaan spoke passionately about water’s pivotal role in the food industry and our daily lives, agriculture, and the theme of the International Year of Millets. Dr Ramesh Babu, Dean of the Department of Food Technology and Agriculture, Vignan University, also addressed the gathering, shedding light on the history and significance of World Food Day. “World Food Day serves as a reminder of the challenges and opportunities we face in ensuring food security for all” he remarked.

The event was further graced by the presence of distinguished guests. Chief Guest KVS. Brahman, the founder of Ravikiran cottage Industries, shared his insights on innovation and sustainability in the food industry, role of education and food technologists in the world. Mr. Sarath Babu, Senior Manager of Production at Sangam Dairy, was honored as the Guest of Honour. He provided valuable insights into the intricate relationship between water, dairy production, and food supply. “Sustainable dairy production depends on efficient water use, making it an integral part of our operations,” Mr. Babu explained. Mr. Suresh Kodati, Manager of Quality Assurance at Sangam Dairy, addressed the audience, emphasizing responsible water management and steps to reduce water loss in the dairy industry. “Efficient water management is not just good for business; it’s essential for preserving water resources for future generations,” Mr. Kodati emphasized.

The inaugural ceremony was followed by a series of technical and non-technical events, including poster presentations, an ideathon, a debate, a quiz, an eating competition, packeduz, blindfold activities, and mesmerizing mono-acting performances in H Block. Students from different departments and colleges enthusiastically participated, showcasing their commitment to the event’s theme and objectives. In the evening, the event concluded with a prize distribution ceremony and captivating cultural performances, leaving the audience in awe.

HALDIA CHAPTER

- AFST(I) Haldia Chapter in collaboration with Department of Food Technology, Haldia Institute of Technology and in association with FSSAI Kolkata, FSSC Global and Cotecna Inspection India has organized the **‘Food Safety Seminar’** to broadly understand the food fraud and food safety culture across the supply chain and organized a Millet Mela in collaboration with FSSAI, Kolkata on February 3. Prof. Gourab Chatterjee has served as a Speaker for the event.

Other list of Speakers:

Mr. B.S. Acharya, FSSAI Director (East & North East)

Mr. Subrata Saha, Business Head, Cotecna Inspection India (CQR) & MD, Balgla Swiss Inspection (Bangladesh)

Ms. Smita Murthy, FSSC Representative India

Dr. Indrani Ghoshe, Strategic Advisor, CII-FACE

Mr. Sumit Dey, Technical & Certification, Cotecna Inspection India

- The first **‘Eat Right Millet Mela-2023’** of East India was organized on February 17 by **‘Food Safety and Standard Authority of India (FSSAI)’** in collaboration with AFST(I) Haldia Chapter and Prof. Gourab Chatterjee has served as a speaker during the session.
- A **‘Walkathon cum Millet Mela’** at district level organized by Food Safety Department, East Midnapore, West Bengal in collaboration with AFST(I) Haldia Chapter at CMOH Office, East Midnapore on September 13.

- AFST(I) Haldia Chapter & Department of Food Technology, Haldia Institute of Technology has celebrated “**World Food Day 2023**” on October 17, 2023 with the conference theme entitled “*Transition of Food Technologists from Academia to Entrepreneurship: Opportunities and Challenges in Transforming Ideation to Business*” and the FAO Theme for ‘World Food Day: Water is Life, Water is Food-Leave No One Behind’. This ‘**Entrepreneurial Conclave**’ has served a great opportunity for our UG/PG Food Science/ Food Technology and allied students to have comprehensive understanding on sizeable business ideation, idea Incubation, IPR, supply chain management and several aspects of start-up planning for budding future business entrepreneur(s). Following Incubator(s) have joined the said events: ABIF-IIT KGP, IKP Hyderabad, CASMB-Mumbai and India Angel Network.

Following Speakers have joined the said event:

1. Prof. Hari Niwas Mishra, Professor (Food Technology) & Director, ABIF-IIT KGP
2. Nilesh Lele, President, CASMB, Mumbai & National Vice President AFST(I)
3. Harshada Wadkar, Senior Manager- BD & Tech Transfer, IKP Knowledge Park
4. Soumendra Khanra, TBI Manager, ABIF, IIT KGP

JABALPUR CHAPTER

On the auspicious occasion of 15th August, Independence Day Association of Food Scientists and Technologists of India, Jabalpur chapter, Department of Food Science and Technology, Jawaharlal Nehru Krishi vishwa Vidyalaya, Jabalpur mark the azadi ka amrit mahotsava at Department level.

On this occasion of a Jawahar food outlet was inaugurated by Dr. P K Bisen, Hon’ble Vice Chancellor, JNKVV at the university residential campus (Krishi Nagar). During the inauguration session university official Dr. D K Khare, Dean faculty of Agriculture, Dr G K Koutu Director Research Services, Dr A K Sarawgi, Dean, College of Agriculture, Jabalpur, Dr. Abhishek Shukla, Director Instruction, Shri Reva Singh Sisodiya, Registrar, JNKVV and members of AFSTI Jabalpur chapter were present.

The best quality and nutritious products will be prepared and provided by the Department of Food Science at Jawahar Food Outlet, more than 28 Jawahar products like Cookies, Muffins, Biscuit, Kodo Rice, Kutki Rice, Ragi Flour, Jawahar Poha, Jawahar Murmura, (Special Haldi Wala)) Jawahar Roasted Chana, Veg Pasta, Sorghum Pasta, Ragi Pasta, Kodo Pasta and other products available at reasonable price.

World Food Day 2023

World Food Day 2023 was celebrated jointly by the Department of Food Science Technology, Jawaharlal Nehru Agricultural University and Association of Food Scientists and Technologists of India (AFSTI), Jabalpur Chapter.

Dr. Manav Bandhu Bera, Dean, P&D Sant Logowal Institute of Engineering & Technology, Logowal, Punjab and Dr. Nilesh Amritkar, Managing Director, Envirocare Lab Pvt. Ltd., Mumbai were invited to deliver guest lectures on the occasion.

In his guest lecture, Dr. Nilesh Amritkar threw light on the importance of food safety certifications in India. He explained about the resources involved in food certification, standardization and recognition. Dr. Amritkar advised the students to enhance their skills related to food safety.

Dr. Manav Bandhu Bera explained about future foods and India’s role in the global food crisis and the versatile use of minor millets crops. Dr. Bera explained the comparative study of Kodo and Kutki starch with traditional starch and showing its future use.

Presiding over the program, Dr. Dharendra Khare, Dean, Faculty of Agriculture, JN Agriculture University, Jabalpur, in his special lecture, highlighted the basic concept of leaving no one behind on World Food

Day and emphasized the importance of better environment for better production for better life and better nutrition.

Dr. Khare advised the research students to pay attention to the new research in this direction. Dr. P.B. Sharma, Dean Agriculture College, Jabalpur, Dr. Amit Sharma Dean Student Welfare, Dr. Shiv Shankar Shukla Head Department of Food Science Technology, Dr. Pratibha Parihar, Dr. Harish Dixit, Dr. Anubha Upadhyay, Dr. Archana Pandey, Dr. M.A. Khan, Dr. Kailash Mahajan, and a large number of scientists, professors, other research scholars and students were present.

Welcome speech in the program by Dr. Shiv Shankar Shukla, Head, Department of Food Science Technology and President, AFSTI Jabalpur Chapter and gratitude Dr. Alpina Singh Professor and Vice President AFSTI Jabalpur Chapter and program is conducted by Dr. Rajendra Singh Thakur, Scientist and Treasurer AFSTI Jabalpur Chapter.

KAKINADA CHAPTER

World Food Day 2023: Water is Life, Water is food, leave no one Behind.(Theme)

As we mark World Food Day on October 16th 2023, we reflect on the profound importance of food in our lives and critical role it plays in achieving a sustainable and hunger free world. Today at JNTU Kakinada, World Food Day is celebrated in Alumni Auditorium, many Dignitaries has attended the event, Chief Guest Smt. Vanga Geetha Vishwanath Member of parliament, two Guest of Honors Sri Kurasala Kannababu Kakinada Rural MLA, Sri Dwarampudi Chandrasekhar Reddy Kakinada City MLA, Presided by JNTU Vice Chancellor Prof G.V.R. Prasada Raju, Rector Prof Dr.K.V. Ramana, Registrar Prof L. Sumalatha, IST Director Prof. A. Gopala Krishna, Bezawada Satyanarayana, JNTUK, EC, and Dr Ramesh M Head, School of food technology.

Chief Guest MP Smt Vanga Geetha Viswanath has appreciated the works done by school of food technology till date and assured for the upgradation of food technology department and food testing laboratory at JNTU Kakinada to central level. And conveyed her best wishes to all the students. Also took example of MS Swaminathan (father of green revolution) and Sir Arthur Cotton(Dhavaleswaram project) as a inspirational story to all young food technologists. Also spoken about millets and its various health benefits.

Guest of Honor MLA Kurasala Kannababu and MLA Dwarampudi Chandrasekhar Reddy has addressed the gathering about various implementations they has done for School of Food technology, the food testing lab and about importance of food technology and how it helps farmers and its bright scope.

JNTUK Vice Chancellor Prof G.V.R. Prasada Raju has addressed the gathering and told that from this academic year Bi.P.C students are also eligible to study B. Tech food engineering at Jntuk which make all the parents of Bi.P.C students happy. On this occasion he also advised students as upcoming food technologists you all should ensure the safety and sustainability of food.

Dr Ramesh M, Head, School Of Food Technology has addressed the gathering that all the young and upcoming food technology students should ensure that no human being should go to bed hungry and also felicitated all the chief guests and guests of honors.

All the Staff and Students of School of Food Technology has made the event successful. This event conducted mainly for better industrial exposure for all the students and many foods Industries in and around Kakinada like Sri Venkatrama GAIA oils, Sri Lalitha Enterprises, Pattabhi Agro Foods, Shri Chandra Bulk Cargo Service PVT LTD, Santhoshimata Edible Oil Refineries, Gemini Edibles and Fats, Blue Ocean Biotech, The Institution of Engineers, Patanjali Foods and many more industries has participated.

KOLHAPUR CHAPTER

World Food Day is an international day celebrated every year on October 16th to commemorate the date of the foundation of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization in 1945. The purpose of this report is to present the nature of the program conducted and the competition held in the Department of Technology, Shivaji University, Kolhapur on the occasion of World Food Day 2023. The event was organized by the Food Technology Department.

The event was conducted with the purpose of highlighting the theme of World Food day that is **Water is life, Water is Food Leave no one behind**. The event was inaugurated at 10 am, with the inaugural rituals of watering the plant by the chief guest Mr. Dattatray Kiwlekar, Assistant Manager, Gokul Dairy, Kolhapur and other dignitaries present on dais were Prof Dr. S.N. Sapali (Director, Department of Technology, Shivaji University, Kolhapur), Dr. I.S. Udchan (Co-ordinator, Food Technology Branch), and Dr. S.M. Lokhande (Assistant professor, Food Technology Branch). The coordinator gave a brief introductory speech about the World Food Day theme. Next, Dr. S.M. Lokhande sir gave insights and highlights of the AFSTI organization, and the IFCON-2023 event which is going to be held in Mysore from 7th December 2023 to 10th December 2023. With a short introduction given about the Chief Guest, followed by a Presidential Speech given by Mr. Dattatray Kiwlekar, Sir effectively managed to highlight the importance of water in our life and how can we save water and other resources in our daily lives. Students were surely motivated by his words of excellence. After a short vote of thanks to the chief guest, we requested Prof Dr. S.N. Sapali sir to guide us with his valuable words.

The program ended with joy on the faces of students, and the dignitaries were called for the inaugural function of different competitions held at different venues in the building. The competitions started with the cutting of ribbons by the chief guest and other dignitaries. Four different types of competitions were held.

The valedictory function and prize distribution began at 4 p.m. and was carried out by Anchor Ms. Moksha Shah. After a brief summary of the competitions, prizes were distributed by the dignitaries to the winners. The prize included Cash and Certificates. Three prizes in each category were given. All the participants showed a great spirit. A Vote of thanks was given by Ms. Moksha Shah and the event ended enthusiastically.

Activities conducted

Activity	Guided Under	Motive
Product Development	Mr. Shital Patil	Innovation and idea generation
Sensory Evaluation	Dr. S. M. Lokhande	To introduce sensory testing
Quiz competition	Dr. G.M. Solanke	For awareness and knowledge
Poster Competition	Mr. V. R. Bage	To highlight the theme

KOLLAM CHAPTER

ACTIVITY REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2023

1. **The activities of the chapter for the year 2023 started with the privilege to organise the most prestigious annual convention ICFoST held on January 5-7th at Al Saj Convention Centre, Trivandrum.**

The convention was held for the first time in Kerala and was jointly organised by AFSTI Kollam & Cochin chapters and the co organisers were CSIR-CFTRI, Mysuru, DRDO-DFRL Mysuru & Musaliar

College of Engineering, Chirayinkeezhu. The theme of the convention was **‘5s’- Innovative Smart & Safe Solutions for Agro and marine food processing to achieve Sustainable Nutritional Security.**

The event marked the history by the participation of more than 1100 delegates including 700 students registered for the event from various institutes all over the country. The members of the chapter were designated in the various committees of the conference. Experts from the field of industry, academicians, entrepreneurs, scientists and researchers enlightened the sessions with the latest advancements in the present scenario in food technology. Poster sessions and food expo was also arranged for the participants for the familiarisation on technological innovations. The students from chapter organisations presented posters based on the theme and won best poster awards in the conference. The 3 days event came to an end making it a grand success.

2. In commemoration of National Science Day, AFSTI Kollam Chapter & Musaliar College of Engineering organised an invited lecture session and a poster competition for the students on 8th March 2023. Dr Binuja Thomas, Principal Scientist, Kerala State Council for Science, Technology & Environment, Trivandrum was the speaker for the session on the topic **‘Valorization of Agricultural Produce: Towards Global Food Security’**.
3. AFSTI Kollam Chapter in association with Musaliar College of Engineering organised World Food Safety day celebration on 9th June 2023. Dr Sirimavo Nair, Professor, Dept of Foods & Nutrition, M S University of Baroda and Chairperson, Panel of experts - Fortification & Nutrition, FSSAI, GoI. was the speaker for the session on the topic **‘Iodised Salt industry and State experience on double fortified salt’**.
4. As part of the phase II celebration of World Food Safety Day, AFSTI Kollam Chapter & Musaliar College of Engineering, Chirayinkeezhu in association with Kerala State Productivity Council (KSPC), Kochi, organised an invited talk on **‘Novel approaches in retail food safety and standards’** on 13th June 2023. Dr Anandavally N, FAO/ UN consultant, FSMS trainer/auditor/consultant was the speaker for the session and she emphasised on the latest updates in food standards and regulations and how it helps in maintaining the food quality for the stakeholders. An MoU was also signed between Dept of Food Technology & KSPC for encouraging students in trainings/ internships in the field of food quality control, career development skills and entrepreneurship.
5. AFSTI Kollam Chapter & Musaliar College of Engineering celebrated National Nutrition Month on 25th September by organising a talk on the topic **‘Nutritional requirements of adolescents’** for the 1st year B Tech & Diploma students. Dr Thara C M, Secretary, Kollam Chapter was the speaker for the session.
6. AFSTI Kollam Chapter in association with PG Department of Home Science, St Joseph’s College for Women, Alappuzha celebrated World Food Day 2023 on **16th October** by arranging various programmes in the School and College level. The College level competitions included **1) Ideation Fest 2) Presentations on the theme ‘Water is life, water is food, leave no one behind’ 3) Awareness posters in relation to nutrition, SDG and conservation.** The programme focussed on sensitizing the students on the importance of water on world food day. Dr Bhagya D, Assistant Professor, PG Dept of Home Science and Life member of AFSTI Kollam chapter was the coordinator of the programmes. Eighty-five students from schools and college participated in the events organised.
7. AFSTI Kollam Chapter in association with Musaliar College of Engineering, Chirayinkeezhu organised two days programmes to commemorate World Food Day 2023 based on the theme **‘Water is life, water is food, leave no one behind’** on **19th and 20th October**. The programmes included various competitions in the school and college level and an invited talk. Poster competitions and

millet recipe- smoothies/ health drink competitions were scheduled for the higher secondary school students and quiz competition and photography competition were scheduled for college level students on 19th October. An invited talk on the topic '**Water quality testing and related standards**' was organised on 20th October to create an awareness among the students to use water wisely in the future. The speakers for the session were Dr Dhanyalekshmi C S and Dr Roshin Elizabeth George, Directors, Biovent Innovations Private Limited, (Startup under KUBIIC), Department of Biotechnology, University of Kerala. Dr K K Abdul Rasheed, President presided the programme and, Secretary Dr Thara C M and other members of the chapters attended. The sessions mainly focused on the importance of water, its quality testing and different quality parameters, analytical methods and related standards for water quality were discussed in the session. Thirty students from Sarada Vilasam Higher Secondary School, 35 students of BTech Food Technology and faculty members were the participants of the programme.

LONGOWAL (PUNJAB) CHAPTER

World Food Day, 2023

Theme of the event: Water is Life, Water is Food: Leave No One Behind

on 16th October 2023, at ISTE Convention Centre, SLIET, Longowal

Speakers:

1. Mr. Vijay Kumar Sharma, Manager HR, M/s Bector Food Specialties Ltd., Rajpura. Punjab
2. Mr. Ravinder Singh Negi Factory Manager, ISCON BALAJI foods Pvt Ltd., District – Kheda, Gujarat
3. Mr. Atunjit Singh Sandhu Lead Head, M/s Mondelez India Pvt Ltd., Phillaur, Punjab
4. Ms. Manju Singh, Head QA Ms Gillico Agro Pvt. Ltd., Ludhiana, Punjab
5. Dr. Sawinder Kaur, Associate Dean, LPU, Jalandhar, Punjab

LUCKNOW CHAPTER

The Association of Food Scientists and Technologists (India), Lucknow (Lko) Chapter, formally established on 20th December 2022 with 56 members from professional and educational organizations - food scientists, research scholars, and faculties, across the Lucknow region at the CSIR-India Institute of Toxicology Research (CSIR-IITR) campus. The major objective of AFST(I)-Lko is to stimulate and advance knowledge on various aspects of Food Science and Technology with an emphasis on strengthening food safety & security through various dissemination and outreach activities. Since then, various activities have been undertaken to strengthen food safety & security by organizing conferences, events (online & offline), competitions, memorial lectures etc.

WARM FoST:

On February 24 and 25, 2023, at CSIR-IITR in Lucknow, a two-day conference on Women in Academia, Research and Management of Food Safety and Toxicology was conducted by CSIR-IITR in collaboration with CSIR-CFTRI and AFST-Lucknow Chapter. Through WARM-FoST, CSIR-IITR honoured women by recognising their contributions to advancements in science and technology, as well as their role in advancing academic research. The event highlighted the achievements of women scientists, entrepreneurs and academicians in varying and multidisciplinary aspects of food safety, toxicology, public health chemical & drug toxicology, technology and entrepreneurship. The conference provided a platform for woman scientists, technologists & entrepreneurs to showcase their achievements. The conference featured student-presented posters, quick Flash talks, demonstrations of technology by entrepreneurs, and interactive brainstorming sessions with influential women.

National Science Day:

On 28th February, CSIR-IITR celebrated National Science Day. Dr. ASKVS Sharma, former Chief Scientist at CSIR-CFTRI, Mysore, and the Guest of Honour, discussed India's increasing global presence and visibility. Addressing a large audience of school students, he emphasized the importance of channeling scientific curiosity into driving positive change.

National Technology Day:

On 11th May, CSIR-IITR marked National Technology Day with a theme of "School to Startup - inspiring young minds to innovate." More than 100 students from diverse institutions interacted with leading toxicology researchers.

World Food Safety Day:

The 5th World Food Safety Day having the theme "Food standards save lives," was celebrated at CSIR-IITR on June 7, 2023, in partnership with the Association of Food Scientists & Technologists (AFSTI) Lucknow Chapter. Mrs. Rita Teotia, Retd. IAS, Former Secretary (Commerce) & former Chairperson, FSSAI Shri Divyanshu Patel, IAS Special Secretary & Additional Commissioner, Food Security & Drug Administration, Uttar Pradesh were graced the event. Dr Narayan reiterated upon the importance of WHO's theme of this year's food safety day which stresses upon the need to prevent, detect and managing foodborne risks. On this occasion, the Chief Guest inaugurated an exhibition of various processes and technologies developed at CSIR-IITR. A "Millet Recipe Booklet" including nutritional benefits.

SET FEST:

CSIR-IITR and AFSTI jointly hosted a two-day conference titled "Sustainable and Emerging Technologies for Food Safety and Environmental Toxicology" at CSIR-IITR, Lucknow, from October 12-13, 2023. The event showcased technologies spanning diverse fields such as food safety, toxicology, public health, entrepreneurship, and startups. This conference served as an invaluable platform for shaping the future of food and environmental safety, aligning with the Government of India's initiatives Swasth Bharat and Swachh Bharat. Additionally, it served as a prelude to the 9th International Food Convention (IFCoN-2023) organized by AFST-I, emphasizing the need for a safe, sustainable, affordable, and secure food ecosystem.

World Food Day:

CSIR-IITR with AFSTI Lucknow chapter, celebrated World Food Day on October 16th 2023 with the primary goal of raising awareness about the persistent issue of global hunger and advancing endeavors to eliminate it. Chief guest, Dr. V. Prakash, Padamshree and Bhatnagar awardee, former director of CSIR-CFTRI and distinguished Scientist gave a lecture on "safe water and safe food for a secure world with health and wellness."

Competitions

On the occasion of World Food Safety Day essay writing and painting competitions were organised on the topic "Food Safety Saves Lives" and "World Food Safety," respectively, at CSIR-IITR, Lucknow. 30 students participated in it.

Lectures

On 11th October, Prof. JV Bhatt Memorial Lecture was organized at CSIR-IITR, Lucknow in association with AFSTI. Prof Datta Madamwar, Scientific Adviser, P.D. Patel Institute of Applied Science, Chartar University of Science and Technology, Gujrat lectured on "Characterization and Therapeutic Applications of Phycobiliproteins from Cyanobacteria".

MUMBAI CHAPTER

Jan 2023

With the “International Year of Millets 2023” AFSTI Mumbai Chapter and The Department of Food Engineering and Technology @Institute of Chemical Technology organized a and Program, “Bringing back Millets to the table - A step towards sustainability”. The event happened on January 13, 2023 with eminent speakers as Mr. Sunil Kasat, Managing Director, R G Kasat Industries Pvt Ltd; Mr. Amol Chidrawar, State Lead Manager PMFME Maharashtra; Naaznin Husein, Director Freedom Wellness Management, Mumbai, along with Abhimanyu Kale, Commissioner - Food and Drug Administration, Maharashtra; Professor Rekha Singhal, Head - Food Engineering and Technology Department, ICT, Mumbai and others.

- **May 2023**

Summer is the time to go for interesting activities!!! The Department of Food Engineering and Technology @Institute of Chemical Technology is organizing a summer workshop jointly with @Association of Food Scientists and Technologists on: “Advanced Analytical Techniques in Food Systems” The details of the workshop are as follows: Date: 10th May 2023 Time: 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Venue: Conference Room, FETD, ICT Mumbai

- **June 2023**

Pulses Sustainable Superfoods Seminar! In collaboration with US Dry Pea & Lentil Council On 23rd June 2023 from 3.30-5.30 pm

- **June 2023**

AFSTI Mumbai chamber in association with Chamber for Advancement of Small and medium business conducted 1 day open floor workshop at Kolemanese- IIDA Dairy Expo today. We had eminent speakers from industry, Smita Murthy, FSSC India representative, Vandana Advani, Associate Director- Regulatory, Foodchain ID, CA Maheshwar Marathe, Partner, CMRS and Associates and Nitin Nakti, Head: Quality, Abbott Nutrition. This was followed by panel discussion on the theme “Innovation in Dairy” moderated by Nilesh Lele. Inaugural address was delivered by Chinmayee Deulgaonkar, VP, AFSTI Mumbai

- **June 2023**

AFSTI Mumbai Chapter Mumbai celebrated World Food safety Day celebration on June 7, 2023 at ITCFSAN. AFST Mumbai Chapter also released its Quarterly newsletter at the event. ITCFSAN celebrated the event with topic Food Waste Management and chief guest for events were Madam Ms. Pritee Chaudhary, IRS Regional Director- FSSAI and Guest of Honour as Mr. Michiel Van Erkel from Embassy of Kingdom of the Netherland.

- **June 2023**

AFSTI Mumbai chamber in association with Metal Container Manufacturer Association (MCMA), conducted Seminar on “Metal – the Eco-friendly packaging material” on June 7.

- **July 2023**

- a. AFST Mumbai along with HQ, organized **Curtain Raiser of 9th IFCoN-2023**, 25th July- 2023 at Central Institute of Fisheries Education, Mumbai. Some 250-300 students, academicians, Industry folks, attended the event. Dr Bhaskar, President AFST unveil the logo of 9th IFCoN and shared more details of IFCoN to all participants. All CEC members were present for the program.

- b. **AFST Mumbai organized Prof J V Bhat Memorial Lecture on July 25 at ICAR**, Central Institute of Fisheries Education, Mumbai. SubhaprabhaNistala was speaker for the event.
- c. AFST Mumbai along with HQ, organized Industry meet (FISH – Food Industry Stake Holder) at Hotel Sofitel, BKC where top 100 Industry stalwart and from leadership team were present. Team AFST requested the industry to sponsor the IFCON and register for the event.
- d. AFST partnering with Informa Market for Nutrithink Conference held on 12-13 July 2023 at hotel Westin, Goregaon.
- **August 2023**
We launched the AFST Mumbai Chapter August 2023 Newsletter Issue 2 on 17.08.2023 at Fi India, BEC, Goregaon. The theme for this issue is Artificial Intelligence in Food Processing and Preservation
- **August 2023**
Fi India 17th August - INAGURATION OF TECHNICAL SESSION BY AFST
Session Initiation: Dr Jyoti Gokhale, Asst Professor, ICT and Hon Jt Sec, AFST(I) Mumbai
Inaugural talk by Dr. Nilesh Amritkar, President Designate - AFST
Plenary Session 1 by Dr Giridhar, CFTRI
Panel 1: Cooking up the Future: Exploring Exciting Trends and Cutting-edge Ingredients in Food Processing
Moderator: Shri Ritesh Mathur, Hon Secretary AFST(I) Mumbai
Panelists:
Swati Pandey, Co-Founder and CEO - Arboreal Bioinnovations Private Limited
Dr. Suvidhi Varia – Chairman – FlavaramaFlavours and Fragrances
Sahil Kukreja – Founder & Director – PHPL
Plenary Session 2 by Prasobh Prasad - Head R & D, Mane Kancor
Panel 2: Exploring Traditional Roots and Modern Innovations in Cereal Products
Moderator: Dr Shalini Arya, VP, AFST(I) Mumbai and Asso. Professor ICT
Panelist:
Swarn Singh – Director R & D – Kellogg's
Arvind Patil DD and In charge – Export Inspection agency, Mumbai
Abhinav Gupta – MD – Aussee Oats
Closing Remarks by Umesh Kamble, President AFST Mumbai
- **September 2023**
Women leaders a food industry, an inspiring tête-à-tête with some women achievers!! September 14th at Anufoods #annapoorna #afstmumbai
- **September 2023**
ICT Mumbai and AFSTI Mumbai Chapter Join Forces to Celebrate National Nutrition Week 2023
Mumbai, September 28, 2023 - The Institute of Chemical Technology, Mumbai, in collaboration with the Association of Food Scientists and Technologists of India, Mumbai Chapter, came together to organize a spectacular event commemorating National Nutrition Week 2023. The event, held on September 27, 2023, centered around the theme “Rashtriya Poshan Maah-2023: Balanced Diet for Universal Sustainability.”

This momentous occasion showcased the unwavering commitment of both institutions to the causes of nutrition and sustainability. The festivities of the day were divided into two halves, featuring a rich blend of exciting competitions and insightful lectures.

In the first half, the spotlight shone brightly on intercollegiate competitions that highlighted the creativity and talent of students. An impressive total of 87 students from various colleges across Mumbai participated in the event, representing prestigious institutions such as SK Somaiya College, Dr. BMN College of Home Sciences, Nirmala Nikethan College of Home Sciences, SNDT, and ICT Mumbai.

The Reel competition, themed “Magnificent Millets of India,” was skillfully judged by ShukadaBhatte and Trupti Bhat, esteemed members of AFSTI LEC.

The Poster competition revolved around the theme “Suposhit Bharat, Sashakta Bharat” and was thoughtfully evaluated by Dr. Nabanita Sadhukhan, Assistant Professor at ICT Mumbai, and Ms. Lubna Shaikh, a member of AFSTI LEC.

The Extempore Speaking segment, focusing on “Poshan Bhi Padhayi Bhi,” was expertly adjudicated by Dr. Kavita Pandey, Head of Bioanalytical Sciences at Khalsa College, and Ms. Subhaprada Nishtala, Former President of AFSTI Mumbai Chapter and Director incharge, ITCSEFAN, FSSAI.

The Recipe Competition, centered on “Cost-Effective Iron-Rich Recipes for Treating Anemia in School-Going Children,” received keen judgment from Ms. Shubhangi Nikam, Assistant Director at FSSAI, and Dr. Galvina Parrera, Assistant Professor at ICT Mumbai.

The second half of the event commenced with a grand inauguration ceremony graced by distinguished delegates.

Dr Rekha Singhal, Head, Food Engineering, ICT initiated the session thought provoking points which will serve as a catalyst for meaningful discussions and further exploration of innovative approaches to health and nutrition that can benefit individuals and communities alike.

Shri Ritesh Mathur, Hon Secretary, AFST(I) Mumbai shared the impact of associations in building a cohesive ecosystems for various stake holders and highlighted some of the key initiatives taken up by AFST Mumbai Chapter, including the details of the upcoming World Food Day, Eat Right Millet Mela and the flagship IFCON 2023.

During the event, the distinguished Chief Guest, Professor Mukund V Karwe, Rutgers University, USA, delivered an enlightening address, shedding light on the vast opportunities in the application of High-Pressure Processing (HPP) within the food industry. His insights provided valuable perspectives on how HPP can revolutionize food processing and preservation, further underlining the significance of innovation and technology in advancing the field of food science and technology. Professor Karwe’s expertise and vision were a notable highlight of the event, leaving attendees with a deeper understanding of the potential benefits of HPP in the realm of food processing.

During the event, Professor Keshavan Niranjana from the University of Reading, UK, delivered a thought-provoking presentation in which he emphasized the importance of adopting a modified approach to health sciences. Professor Niranjana stressed the need to shift the focus from predominantly managing diseases to proactively maintaining the health of individuals who are already in good health. His insights underscored the critical role that nutrition plays in this paradigm shift.

By highlighting the significance of nutrition in keeping healthy individuals continuously healthy, Professor Niranjana’s address offered a fresh perspective on the field of health sciences.

His forward-thinking ideas encouraged attendees to consider the broader implications of nutrition and its potential to enhance overall well-being and preventive healthcare strategies.

The occasion was further dignified by the presence of eminent figures such as eminent Guest of Honour, Shri Shailesh Adhao, Joint Commissioner, FDA; Ms Anupama Patil, Assistant Commissioner, FDA; Ms. Subhaprada Nishtala, Director In-charge, ITCFSAN, FSSAI; and Mrs. Shubhangi Nikam, Assistant Director, FSSAI. The event also witnessed the participation of Prof. Rekha Singhal, Head of Food Engineering and Technology at ICT Mumbai; Mr. Umesh Kamble, President of AFSTI Mumbai Chapter; and Mr. Rithish Matur, Secretary of AFSTI Mumbai Chapter.

The exciting student awards ceremony moderated by Dr Jyoti Gokhale, Hon Jt Sec AFST(I) Mumbai and Asst Professor, ICT, was truly a momentous occasion, graced by the presence of distinguished individuals who added an extra layer of prestige to the event. Eminent figures such as the esteemed Guest of Honour, Shri Shailesh Adhao, Joint Commissioner of FDA; Ms. Subhaprada Nishtala, Director In-charge of ITCFSAN, FSSAI; Ms. Anupama Patil, Assistant Commissioner of FDA; Mrs. Shubhangi Nikam, Assistant Director at FSSAI, Mr. Umesh Kamble, President of AFSTI Mumbai Chapter, Dr Shalini Arya, VP AFST(I) Mumbai and Asso Professor ICT lent their expertise and wisdom to the proceedings.

This event served as a resounding testament to the dedication and hard work of the esteemed faculty of the Food Engineering and Technology Department at ICT Mumbai and AFST(I) Mumbai Chapter. The collaborative efforts between ICT Mumbai and AFSTI exemplify their unwavering commitment to promoting a balanced diet for universal sustainability, making a substantial contribution to the cause of nutrition in India.

About ICT Mumbai:

The Institute of Chemical Technology, Mumbai, is a premier educational institution dedicated to excellence in chemical and pharmaceutical sciences and engineering. ICT Mumbai is renowned for its contributions to research, education, and innovation in the field of food science and technology.

About AFSTI Mumbai Chapter:

The Association of Food Scientists and Technologists of India (AFSTI) is a professional organization committed to advancing the science of food and promoting its application in the food industry. The Mumbai Chapter of AFSTI plays a pivotal role in connecting professionals and students in the field of food science and technology.

- **October 2023**

World Food Day Event Celebrated with Enthusiasm by AFST(I) Mumbai Chapter at ICT, Matunga
The Association of Food Scientists and Technologists (India), Mumbai Chapter (AFST(I) Mumbai) proudly marked World Food Day with an enlightening event held at the Institute of Chemical Technology, Matunga. The celebration was graced by distinguished guests and featured a series of insightful lectures and student awards.

Chief Guest for the occasion, Shri Arvind Ghuge, IRS, Joint Commissioner of Customs, inspired the audience with his words of wisdom on the importance of food and innovation. The event also witnessed the presence of Guests of Honour, Prof AB Pandit, Vice Chancellor of ICT, and Dr. Medhekar, Dean of Nair Hospital, who added a touch of eminence to the event.

The program kicked off with the Prof A Sreenivasan Memorial Lecture on Innovation in Food - "Let's focus on nutrition!" by Shri Mansoor Siddiqui, an Innovation Expert and the Founder of Lab-to-label

Accelerator Pvt Ltd. His talk shed light on the crucial role of innovation in the food industry and emphasized the need to prioritize nutrition in food development.

Following this, the Prof D V Rege Memorial Lecture on Technological Interventions in Jaggery Production for Vertical Value-driven Benefits of Farmers and Consumers was delivered by Dr. Prabodh Halde, Past President of AFST(I) and Chairman of CASMB. Dr. Halde's lecture highlighted the importance of technology in improving jaggery production for the benefit of both farmers and consumers.

The event also featured the Dr. K U Naram Memorial Lecture on Traditional Foods in Modern Lifestyle, which was presented by Ms. Naaznin Husein, Co-Convenor of Netprofan Mumbai and Founder of Freedom Wellness Management. Ms. Husein discussed the relevance of traditional foods in the context of modern lifestyles, advocating for a balanced approach to nutrition.

One of the highlights of the event was the Dr. K U Naram Student Awards, which are given annually in memory of Dr. K U Naram by the Naram family and AFST(I) Mumbai. The awards were presented to the 1st and 2nd rank holders from colleges in food science and nutrition in Mumbai. A total of 47 students from 22 specialisations were recognized and received certificates, trophies, and cash prizes.

The success of this event would not have been possible without the dedication and support of key AFST(I) Mumbai office bearers, including Ms. Subhprada Nishtala, Past President; Mr. Umesh Kamble, President; Dr. Shalini Arya, Vice President and the event's compere; Ms. Chinmayee Deulgaonkar, Vice President; and Shri Ritesh Mathur, Honorary Secretary. Their tireless efforts ensured the event's smooth execution.

Dr. Jyoti Gokhale, Honorary Joint Secretary of AFST(I) Mumbai, delivered a heartfelt vote of thanks to all the dignitaries, speakers, awardees, and attendees, expressing gratitude for their participation and contributions.

The World Food Day event organized by AFST(I) Mumbai Chapter at ICT, Matunga, was a resounding success, bringing together food scientists, technologists, and enthusiasts to celebrate the significance of food and innovation in shaping a healthier future.

NAGPUR CHAPTER

The following activities were carried out at Nagpur chapter;

1. The AGM of Nagpur chapter was conducted on 23rd February 2023 at Department of Food Technology, LIT, RTM Nagpur University, the agenda of meeting was to showcase the progress of Chapter to all stake holders of the AFSTI Nagpur Chapter and to reelect existing office bearers for next two years for carrying out the activities of chapter. The Meeting was chaired by Dr. (Mrs.) P N Shastri and in the presence of all the members election of new executive body for Nagpur chapter was formed
 1. President – Dr. M G Bhotmange
 2. Vice President – Dr. (Mrs.) Manvi Sharma
 3. Secretary – Dr. V Y Karadbhaje
 4. Joint Secretary - Dr. Savita Zambre
 5. Treasurer – Dr. Sheetal Deshmukh

Members Elected by the committee for Nagpur Chapter are as follows;

1. Dr. Sneha V Karadbhaje
 2. Mrs. Madhura Bhalerao
 3. Mr. Subodh Joshi
 4. Mr. Surjit Saha
2. The next major activity taken by Nagpur chapter was awareness Programme on millets a step towards celebrating International Year of Millets. The Programme was conducted in the institute during first day of induction Programme for first year B. Tech students. The Programme covered information on millets in the form of posters, live millet expo and all this was done with the help of students from Food Technology Department. Director LIT inaugurated the event, Chapter President Dr. M G Bhotmange were present during this program with all his AFSTI Nagpur chapter officials. The event was visited by almost 300 peoples including students along with their parents, Faculty and staff from the institute.
3. The AFST(I), Nagpur chapter in association with LITAA conducted the World Food Day celebrated at Department of Food Technology, LITU Nagpur by AFSTI Nagpur Chapter. Dr. Madhukar Bhotmange President of the chapter along with Head of Department Dr. Sneha Karadbhaje, Chapter Secretary Dr. V Y Karadbhaje, Chapter treasurer Dr. S Deshmukh, Chapter Joint Secretary Dr. Savita Zambre, and all other team of Afsti Nagpur chapter were present on this occasion. A Fet cum educational stall on Millet were organized and around 250 students visited this event.

NIFTEM KUNDLI CHAPTER

AFSTI NIFTEM chapter has organized IFCON awareness programme at NIFTEM on 21 August 2023. Dr Vijay Raghvan Professor McGill Canada and Dr Abdul Rasheed were present in this programmes. It was attended by more than 80 students of M Tech and PhD at NIFTEM along with faculty members and AFSTI members. President AFSTINIFTEM Chapter Dr P K Nema thanked the audience and guests.

An international conference on “VISION 2050: AGRI-BUSINESS & FOOD PROCESSING ORGANIZATION PERSPECTIVE” was organized by NIFTEM Kundli in partnership with AFSTI-NFTEM Chapter on 17-19th November 2022 at India Habitat Centre, New Delhi.

PUNE CHAPTER

World Food Day Celebration-2023

Date: 16 th Oct 2023

Time: 10.00AM to 01.00PM

Venue: Raj Kapoor Auditorium, MIT ADT University, Pune

Stakeholders

- Students (MIT SFT, TC College, Baramati, SNTD, Pune, Modern College, Pune, Symbiosis College, Pune)
- Faculty members
- AFST(I) Members

MIT ADT University proudly hosted the World Food Day Celebration on the 16th of October 2023 in association with AFST(I), Pune Chapter, an event dedicated to addressing global hunger issues and honoring exceptional contributions in the field of Food Technology.

The day commenced with a serene World Peace Prayer, uniting attendees in their shared aspiration for global harmony. Students, esteemed guests, and faculty members assembled, creating an atmosphere ripe for intellectual deliberations. Engaging visual presentations were pivotal in capturing the essence of the event. A compelling video showcased MIT ADT University's commitment to excellence. The screening of the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) documentary illuminated the significance of World Food Day globally. Additionally, a poignant event video from MIT SFT offered a glimpse into their impactful initiatives. The events conducted on the occasion were showcased. A moment of solemnity was observed during the ceremonial lighting of the lamp, symbolizing the illumination of knowledge and the collective endeavor to eradicate global hunger. Dr. A. A. Bhoite, I/C Principal, MIT SFT and President AFST(I), Pune Chapter delivered an articulate welcome address, setting the intellectual tone for the day. She also highlighted the importance of World Food Day and underlined the significance of theme of world food day-2023- "Water is Life, Water is Food. Leave No One Behind". Furthermore, the ceremonial inauguration of "PARAMANNA," a magazine intricately related to food technology, added a layer of scholarly depth to the event, symbolizing the intellectual pursuits of the institution and students & staff's aspirations to contribute in the SDG Challenges. Chief Guest Mr. Mukhtar Tejani, Managing Director, Gits Food Products Private Ltd. India and Guest of Honor Mr. Amogh Sahasrabudhe, Business Development Manager, Fine Zeelandia Pvt Ltd, Mumbai were felicitated by Hon. Prof. Sunita Karad, Director, MITCOM & ICT, MIT ADT University, Pune. Dr. Renu Vyas, the Dean of the Faculty of Technology, and Dr. Swati More, the Head of the Training and Placement Cell at MIT ADT University, graced the occasion with their esteemed presence. Dr. Wajid Khan, Secretary of the AFST(I) Pune Chapter, and Dr. Gauri Athawale, Treasurer of the AFST(I) Pune Chapter, were among the distinguished Attendees at the event. MIT School of Food Technology orchestrated five distinct events: New Product Development, a Competition, Food Talk, a Poster Presentation Competition, a Start-Up Planning Competition, and a Food Blogging Competition. Simultaneously, AFST (I) conducted diverse events across multiple institutes across Pune. The winners of these competitions were honored with certificates, cash prizes, and exclusive gift vouchers from prominent entities, including Gits Food Products Private Ltd., Millet Mart Ventures, and Roshnee Papad Products LLP. The pinnacle of the event was reached with the recognition of outstanding contributors to the food technology sector. Millet Mart Ventures Pvt. Ltd. was honored with the prestigious "Industry of Eminence 2023" award. Additionally, Dr. Ganapathy KN, Senior Scientist ICAR-Indian Institute of Millets Research, Hyderabad and Mr. Deepak Kamath, Managing Partner & Founder Roshnee Papad Products LLP were celebrated as the "Food Technologists of the Year," their journeys serving as testament to their dedication and ingenuity.

The Chief Guest and Guest of Honor, Mr. Mukhtar Tejani and Mr. Amogh Sahasrabudhe respectively, imparted invaluable insights, emphasizing sustainable practices and collaborative efforts to combat global food challenges. The Honorable Prof. Sunita Karad eloquently highlighted the university's dedication to fostering innovation and research in the realm of food technology. The event concluded with a heartfelt vote of thanks by Dr. Sandip T. Gaikwad expressing profound gratitude to attendees, sponsors, and the dedicated organizing team. The traditional recitation of "Pasayadan" added a touch of cultural richness, underscoring a collective vision for a hunger-free world. The World Food Day Celebration at MIT ADT University was a testament to the institution's commitment to intellectual discourse and societal betterment. The event, replete with insightful discussions, inspirational speeches, and well-deserved accolades, served as a reminder of the collective responsibility to address global hunger issues. As attendees dispersed, they carried with them the shared vision of a nourished world, fortified by knowledge, innovation, and a resolute determination to effect positive change.

World Food Safety Day, a Food Safety awareness webinar was conducted on 10th June 2022 and around 130+ Faculty and Students were participated in the webinar.

Dr. Anjali Bhoite (President AFST(I) Chapter Pune), explored on Food Safety responsibility to share everyone.

After the webinar, The Faculty and students of MIT School of Food Technology conducted Food safety awareness for street food vendors at Loni kalbhor. Pune.

And distributed Apron, gloves and caps to street food vendors.

Flag hosting celebrations was conducted to earmark the 75th Independence Day on 15th August 2022 at MITADT University, Pune.

AFST(I) Pune Foundation Day and Teacher's day celebrated at SNDT College, Pune on 7th September, 2022.

The chief Guest of this event is Col. Pramod Dahitule (National Head Agri, MSME, Former Director FSSAI Kolkata).

Also workshop conducted on the same day by Mr. Amrendra Mahamuni, on the topic : FSS Act 2006 & Regulations 2011 - An overview.

One day state level Seminar conducted on Scope & Opportunities for Food & Dairy Processing Sector in Government & Regulatory Agencies on 17th September 2022 in association with AFST(I) Pune Chapter and TC College, Baramati, Maharashtra.

Milletmania a seminar conducted by Symbiosis Institute of Health Sciences in collaboration with (AFSTI) Pune Chapter on on 29th September, 2022.

World Food Day Celebrations was conducted on 17th October 2022 at MITADT University, Pune.

RAICHUR CHAPTER

The world food day was celebrated on 16th October, 2023 by AFSTI Raichur Chapter, in association with University of Agricultural Sciences, Raichur. The theme of the programme was "Water is Life, Water is Food, Leave NO ONE Behind". Dr. Udaykumar Nidoni, President of AFST(I), Raichur Chapter briefed about the status of food production, processing, value addition and also welcomed the Chief guest, Special guest, Guest of Honour, invitees and students. The programme was inaugurated by Dr. M Hanumantappa, Vice-Chancellor, Dr. M Veerangouda, Registrar of UAS, Raichur along with the chief guest, Shri. Venugopal, Co-ordinator, Ramakrishna Mission, Raichur and Yadgir and Shri. Anilkumar Kadadi, Managing Director, Buyu Foods Pvt. Ltd., Kalaburgi. Shri. Venugopal, chief guest addresses the gathering and discussed about the food habits in the present scenario. He also mentioned that food helps in hunger satisfaction and also provides peace and wellness. The programme was also chaired by special guest, Shri. Anilkumar Kadadi and shared the experience about his journey in food processing. He addressed the gathering about the opportunities and scope for entrepreneurship in food processing including the medicinal plants. The presidential remarks were given by Dr. M. Nemichandrappa, Dean (Ag. Engg.), CAE, UAS, Raichur. Few events were conducted on the occasion of World Food Day- 2023 and prizes were distributed to the winners by the dignitaries on the dias. At the end, Dr. Sharanagouda Hiregoudar, Head, Dept. of PFE and AFSTI Secretary delivered the vote of thanks. The programme was anchored by Dr. P F Mathad, Assistant Professor, Dept. of PFE, CAE, Raichur.

ROURKELA CHAPTER

AFST(I) Rourkela Chapter organized World food day on the theme of “Leave No One Behind” on 16 October 2022.

Mr. Ganesh Prasad Bagaria, Chairman-cum-Managing Director, Grihasthi Udyog Pvt. Ltd., Rourkela had graced the occasion along with Prof. Rohan Dhiman, Registrar, NIT Rourkela.

Quiz Competition was organized for students pursuing B.Tech, M.Tech and PhD (Food Process Engineering) on World Food Day 2022 on the theme “Leave No One Behind”

Expert Talk by Prof Mohd. Khalid Gul, NIT Rourkela on the topic of “Millets: The role is circular economy”

Poster Competition of theme of “Leave No One Behind” for B.Tech and M.Tech students.

The AFST(I), President (Rourkela Chapter) and office bearers organized and eventually turned the event grand success. Medal and Certificates were distributed to the winners of the events.

AFST(I) Rourkela chapter has also conducted general body meeting for the organization of lecture series on Food Engineering.

TEZPUR CHAPTER

Activity 1:

The Department of Food Engineering and Technology, Tezpur University, Tezpur in association with AFSTI Tezpur Chapter, organized Industrial -Academia Interaction on March 03, 2023. For the interaction, **Mrs. Vibha Gaur**, Senior Flavourist & Mentor-Flavour R&D Claremont Ingredients Ltd, THG, New Castle, United Kingdom delivered lecture through online mode.

Activity 2

A career progression webinar series is being organized by Department of Food Engineering and Technology, Tezpur University, Tezpur in association with AFSTI Tezpur Chapter. In this webinar series, Mr. Sanjeev Kumar Sharma, Senior Group Leader, Mondelēz International, Ms. Saranya Ranjith, Head R&D from Symega Food Ingredients, and Ms. Stella Mariam, Buhler India, Bengaluru has delivered invited talks and interacted with the participants.

Activity 3

On 14th September 2023, the Department of Food Engineering and Technology in association with AFSTI Tezpur chapter celebrated Scholar’s Day, where Prof. Mukund Karwe, Rutgers University, USA was the Chief Guest and Mr. JP Sharma as Guest of honour, Promotor of Agro-Processing Cluster, Tezpur. During his stay, Prof Karwe delivered a keynote lecture, visited labs, and had open discussion sessions with scholars. Apart from this, it was a remarkable day for all the scholars in the department and recognition was given to those who performed well during various competitive events such as 3MinuteThesis challenge, Graphical Abstract Competition, Food Photography and MyPhDStory.

Activity 4

The Department of Food Engineering & Technology, Tezpur University, Assam, India and the Department of Soils, Water & Agricultural Engineering, College of Agricultural & Marine Sciences, Sultan Qaboos University, Oman has organized a virtual international conference on “Sustainable Approaches in Food Engineering and Technology” (SAFETY-2022) in association with AFSTI Tezpur Chapter

Activity 5

Department of Food Engineering and Technology, Tezpur University in association with AFSTI Tezpur Chapter organized lecture of Mr Bidhan Das, Dy. Director, Institute of Packaging, Kolkata on 15th March-2023.

Activity 6

The Department of Food Engineering and Technology, Tezpur University in Association with AFSTI Tezpur Chapter has organized a session on “Alumni interaction-expertise connect” on 26th of September 2023. The speaker of the session were the B.Tech Graduates of the department i.e. (1) Mr. Dipangkar Das, Entrepreneur, Deva Foods, Bamunigaon, Kamrup, Assam, India; (2) Mr. Srigada Manoj Kumar, Digital delivery lead, McCain Foods, France; (3) Ms. Puja Sharma, Manufacturing Executive at ITC Guwahati, Assam, India; (4) Mr. Devesh Kumar, Scientist B at Bureau of Indian Standard Ministry of Consumer Affairs, India; (5) Ms. Chayanika Saha, Research Fellow, Queen’s University Belfast, United Kingdom; and (6) Mr. Rahul Kumar, Research Scholar, University of Reading, United Kingdom.

THANJAVUR CHAPTER

World Food Day-2023

NIFTEM-T, Thanjavur celebrated World Food Day on October 16, 2023 and organized various events like Documentary, Model preparation and Quiz competition for the students on the theme of this year’s world food day. Dr. V. Palanimuthu, Director NIFTEM-T has presided over the function. Dr. Chindi Vasudevappa, Ex Vice Chancellor NIFTEM-K and UAHS Shivamogga delivered the Guest of Honor address. Dr. Prabodh Halde, Head -Regulatory, Marico Ltd, Mumbai delivered special address. The students from various colleges in and around Thanjavur were attended the programme. Cash prizes were given to the students at the end of the programme.

Dr. R. Jagan Mohan, National Vice President (AFSTI), Dr. V. R. Sinija, President, Thanjavur Chapter; Dr. D. V. Chidanand, Secretary, Thanjavur chapter; and Dr. R. Mahendran, Treasurer of AFSTI (Thanjavur chapter) have coordinated the programme. In this juncture, AFST(I) Thanjavur chapter expresses gratitude to AFST(I) Mysuru for their support.

THRISSUR CHAPTER

The AGBM of Thrissur Chapter was conducted online on 31st January, 2023. The panel of office bearers suggested in the meeting was approved by the body, and the following Office Bearers were unanimously elected for 2023. President: Dr. Beena A.K., Secretary: Dr. Surej Joseph Bunglavan and Treasurer: Dr. Deepa Jolly. The other office bearers are Vice-President: Dr. Vrinda Menon, K., Joint Secretary: Ms. Aysha C.H., Executive Committee Members: Dr. C.T. Sathian, Dr. Irshad A., Dr. Sathu T., Dr. Justin Davis, Er. Faisal I. and Dr. Yancy Mary Issac.

1. **Life Membership Drive 2023:** 177 members joined in 2023 (166 student members, seven life members and four full members), and there are now **89 Life Members** in the Chapter.
2. **Executive Committee Meetings:** The EC had met ten times in the current year. The **Audited Accounts for 2022-23** were sent to AFST (I) HQ on 10/05/2023.
3. **World Food Safety Day Celebration 2023 - Foodsalvatio’23**

AFST(I) Thrissur chapter in association with VKIDFT under KVASU and Kerala Food Safety Department, Thrissur District, jointly organized a week programme on food safety on account of

World Food Safety Day 2023 under the banner **Foodsalvatio'23**. The event was conducted from 3rd of June to 9th of June 2023. It included a 7 km run "**Foodathon**" in accordance with FAO guidelines for food safety day celebration. Various awareness programmes were conducted in schools and public and a live demonstration on adulteration detection in food in schools and public food safety survey, competition like photography and cartoon contests and quiz were also conducted. A National seminar was conducted on 9th June 2023 on the topics "**Food Standards – Latest Additives and Implication**" and "**Food Safety – Everyone's Businesses**".

4. **Training on preparation of fermented milk products and starter culture technology**

AFST(I), Thrissur chapter and KVASU jointly organized the third batch of hands on training on "Preparation of fermented milk products and starter culture technology" for two days on 25.07.2023 and 26.07.2023. Eighteen participants from various parts of Kerala attended the training programme.

5. **Interactive session with Erasmus Mundus scholarship winner**

AFST(I) Thrissur chapter organised an interactive session on 26th July 2023 on the topic "**The way to higher studies in food science' – My Experience' by Sheba Sunny M**, alumni of B Tech Food Technology, VKIDFT 2016 Admission and recipient of prestigious Erasmus Mundus scholarship for higher studies in European Union.

6. **World Food Day 2023: 28th Quiz Competition to High School Students and Public Awareness Lecture**

The Chapter celebrated **World Food Day 2023** on the 16th of October by conducting **Quiz and Poster Contest in 'Food & Nutrition'** for high school students and college students respectively for the **28th consecutive year** in association with the KVASU at VKIDFT, Mannuthy. Thirty high school students from various schools of Kerala participated. Six teams were selected for the final quiz programme at 2 pm. Twenty students from KVASU, KAU and Vimala College participated in the poster contest. In the same function, certificates of merit and mementoes were awarded to the best outgoing graduates in in BVSc & AH, B. Tech. (Dairy Technology), B. Tech. (Food Technology) and BSc. (Family and Community Science). The valedictory programme was attended by students and teachers at VKIDFT Mannuthy. Dean, Dr. S.N. Rajakumar presented the awards and certificates to the winners.

7. **World Food Day 2023: National Seminar and Foodzone23'programme**

AFST(I) Thrissur chapter celebrated the fourth **FOODZONE' 23 programme in association with KVASU and Kerala Food Safety Department, Thrissur on October 27th, 28th and 30th 2023**. This year world food day focused on the theme "Water is life, water is food. Leave no one behind". The event comprised a national level seminar on the topic "Quality assessment of water and its public health significance" delivered by Dr. Vrinda Menon K. Associate Professor, Dept. of VPH, CVAS Mannuthy on October 30th 2023. Foodzone'23 programme on October 27-30, 2023 involved public school visits and interactive sessions, public awareness programmes, Eat Millet–millet based food and idea presentation, Flavour Quest –sensory evaluation, photography contest and music gig at Thrissur city and mannuthy town.

VALLABH VIDYANAGAR CHAPTER

Following activities were conducted by Vallabh Vidyanagar Chapter.

SN	Activity	Day & Date	No. of Participants
1.	Expert Talks on: Millet based Food Products Start up Opportunities In India	10 th March, 2023	43
2.	World Food Day Celebration 2023	13 th Oct. to 14 th Oct. 2023	214

1. Expert Talks on: Millet Based Food Products Start up Opportunities In India

Prof. Vishita Khanna delivered the expert talk on 'Millets based food products opportunities in India'. She specifically mentioned that though millets are dense in health suiting nutrients, consumption of millets are very less in India. She explained reasons for this fact and so opportunities are more for millet-based food products. Different food products like primary processed millet products and secondary millet-based food products (e.g., extruded, snack, laddu, etc.) are having more market potential.

Dr. Mahesh Prajapati delivered the expert talk on 'Bankable Project Proposal for Food Products'. He very explained the components for preparing bankable project proposal. He emphasized that project proposal should be easy to understand and should showcase the potential of the proposal. He also explained important financial terms like fixed cost, variable cost, breakeven point, debt to credit, Net worth etc. required for bankable project proposal.

2. World Food Day Celebration 2023 At Vallabh Vidyanagar Chapter

Department of Food Processing Technology, A.D. Patel Institute of Technology, organized World Food Day Celebration 2023 in collaboration with AFST (I) Vallabh Vidyanagar Chapter.

Total 214 students and research scholar registered for World Food Day Celebration 2023 at AFST(I) Vallabh Vidya Nagar Chapter. Shri Bhikubhai Patel, Chairman, Charotar Vidya Mandal presided the inaugural ceremony of World Food Celebration 2023 at ADIT. Shri. Ashish Bhandari, Director, Vasant Masala Pvt. Ltd., was Chief Guest of the function. He urged the young dynamics to put heart and mind in the food processing sector and come up with innovative ideas. Shri S.T. Ghodke, General Manager, Nedspice Dehydration India LLP, delivered keynote talk on Sustainable and environment friendly Food Industry Through Heat Pump Assisted Dehydration. Shri S.T. Ghodke highlighted on the World Food Day Theme 'Water is Life, Water is Food' and emphasized on how the water problem becoming serious day by day. He explained that innovative technologies have better potential to reduce natural resources utilization. Three competitive events were organized namely Poster Competition, Treasure Hunt & Food Formulations, Food Sensory Evaluation. A 20 Teams participated in poster competition. A 62 Teams participated in Treasure Hunt & Food Formulations Event. 46 participants took active part in Food Sensory Evaluation Event. Winner and runner up from each event were awarded with trophy and certificates.

VARANASI CHAPTER

World Food Day, 2023

on October 16, 2023, at Department of Dairy Science and Food Technology, Institute of Agricultural Sciences, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi-221005

Theme of the event: Millet Mela

Speaker: Director, Institute of Agricultural Sciences

VIII. ***AFST(I) Education & Publication Trust***

The AFST (I) Education & Publication Trust met on 17-10-2023 and discussed about the award of scholarships to students. AFST(I) Education & Publication Trust has agreed to support towards Biography on Dr. A S Aiyar, the “Mentroprenuer” – 100 copies, which will be distributed to the chapters and also to the student, academic and publication activities of IFCoN 2023.

IX. ***Acknowledgements***

I am thankful to my team of the Central Executive Committee composing Dr. N Bhaskar, Dr Nilesh S Amritkar, Dr. Alok Kumar Srivastava, Dr K V Harish Prashanth, Mr. Nilesh Lele, Dr Jyothirmayi T, Dr Prabhat K Nema, Dr Jagan Mohan R, Dr. Naveen Shivanna, Dr. Nandini P Shetty, Dr. Tanaji G Kudre, Mr. Basavaraja Mundalamani, and permanent invitees Editor-in-Chief, JFST, and Dr. Varadaraj M.C, Chief Editor, IFI Mag who extended wonderful support during my tenure as Honorary Secretary.

My heartfelt thanks are due to all the chapters for the support. I am thankful to the Chapters who have responded and sent their audit report and brief about activities of their respective chapters to be included in the Annual Report.

I also thank the AFST(I) Education and Publication Trust for all their valuable guidance and support to AFST(I) and 9th IFCoN.

I respectfully thank two great pillars of strength to AFST (I) **Directors of CSIR-CFTRI and DRDO-DFRL**, Mysuru, who are extending their wholehearted support to the Association since its inception. I thank whole team of both CSIR-CFTRI and DRDO-DFRL for their support all over the year.

My earnest thanks are due to the **Finance Committee** for their valuable support from time to time in all the financial matters of AFST (I).

Credential Committee's support is praiseworthy in recommending the memberships. I am very much thankful for their unstinted cooperation in scrutinizing the large number applications received because of the Life membership drive.

My earnest thanks are due to the **By-Law Amendment Screening Committee** for their valuable support from time to time in all the financial matters of AFST (I).

I place on record the kind support of **Awards committee** and the expert panel who are there with us in making the evaluation of nominations/applications crystal clear.

My heartfelt thanks goes to the **Website Committee** who joined our hands and extending their invaluable support and guidance in making the online election smooth and successful.

My thanks are due to the **AFSTI Diamond Jubilee Building Committee, Publication Committee, Government Relations Committee and Industrial Relations Committee, Technical Committee** for their support and guidance.

My thanks are due to **Students Committee** who supported in conducting quiz competitions for the students, distribution of prizes and certificates to all the participants.

My sincere thanks to Editor-in-Chief & Editorial board members of our prestigious journal JFST and Chief Editor and Editorial board members of IFI Mag for their grateful support.

I thank all the other committees and sub committees who supported us during this term with their valuable suggestions and guidance.

M/s. Jwalamukhi Mudranalaya Pvt Ltd, Bangalore is supporting us with timely publication of our prestigious bimonthly journal 'Indian Food Industry Mag'. I thank them wholeheartedly. I also thank our advertisers for choosing our publication to advertise their products. My respectful thanks are due to Sri B Raghuramaiah for his kind gesture and continued support to the publication since a long time with advertisement.

I also thank Ms. Mamata Kapila and the **Team- Springer India** for joining our hands in online publication of our esteemed Journal 'Journal of Food Science & Technology'.

My earnest thanks are due to **Mr B Vasu**, the **Returning Officer** for taking up the responsibility of election process. I place on record his services to the 5th edition of the E-voting. I would also thank the support of M/s. Dot Angle for their support in e-voting process.

I would like to acknowledge the services of **CA Vaidyanathan. N**, Chartered Accountant for taking up auditing of the accounts of AFST (I) and AFST (I) Education & Publication Trust.

I would like to thank our Bankers **State Bank of India**, CFTRI Branch and **Indian Overseas Bank**, Yadavagiri Branch, Mysuru.

My thanks are due to **Post Office** for their kind cooperation in dispatching our letters and journal.

I thank the **Staff** of AFST (I) Mr Vishwanath M, Mrs Suvarna B V, Mrs Archana C N, Mrs. Mrudula V and Sri Subramani for their untiring work under the stewardship of Office Superintendent Mr Shankarappa B Jakkali.

My heartfelt thanks are due to all the members of AFST (I) and one and all that have extended their direct or indirect support during my tenure as the Secretary of the Association for the year 2023.

Sd/-

Dr Suresh D Sakhare
Honorary Secretary, AFST(I)
www.afsti.org

Place: Mysuru

Date: 09-12-2023

Treasurer's Report

Dear Members,

Audited report and statement of accounts of the AFST(I) and AFST(I) Education and Publication Trust for the financial year 2022-23 and Budget for 2023-24 & 2024-25 is presented herewith for the kind perusal of the house.

Most of the chapters have sent the audited statement of account of their respective chapters as scheduled. Out of 46 chapters we have received 33 chapters audited statement certified by their respective auditor. The consolidated statement of accounts is prepared including these 33 chapters' audited report. I request all the chapter office bearers to take initiative to send the audit report duly certified by Chartered Accountant well in time to avoid future complication from the Income Tax Department.

CONTENTS OF AUDITORS REPORT

The report contains:

- Consolidated Balance Sheet, Income & Expenditure Account, Receipt & Payment account and Depreciation details of AFST(I) Assets
- Schedules for the Consolidated financial statement

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2022-23:

With regard to income, we received total Membership fee of Rs. 22,97,887/-, Bank Interest Rs. 44,55,415/-. The Royalty received from M/s Springer was Rs. 94,26,520/- for the year 2022.

In the expenditure part, IFI Mag printing charges was Rs.11,66,145/- & AFST(I) staff salary for 2022-23 was Rs. 12,49,243/-

BUDGET 2023-24 & 2024-25:

Budget of Rs.2,00,00,000/- for the year 2023-24 this includes provision of Rs.20,00,000/- for IFI Printing charges and AFST(I) Staff Salary of Rs 19,00,000/- along with donation Rs. 45,00,000/- for Diamond Jubilee Building Fund. The Budget forecast in details can be found in the annual report.

In addition, as advised in the AGBM we are projecting the budget forecast for 2024-25 also, which is around Rs. 2,00,00,000, that includes provision of Rs. 15,00,000/- for IFI Printing charges. and AFST(I) Staff Salary of Rs 19,00,000/- along with donation Rs. 45,00,000/- for Diamond Jubilee Building Fund. The Budget forecast in details can be found in the annual report.

To conclude, take this opportunity to thank the President, AFST(I) Dr. N Bhaskar, Hon. Secretary, Dr. Suresh D Sakhare and all other Hon'ble CEC members and the Finance Committee & AFST(I) Staff for helping me doing my duties honestly and promptly to my satisfaction. Further, I thank on behalf of AFST(I) Headquarters, all those office bearers of respective chapters for sending the audited reports to Headquarters on time. I would like to thank CA. Vaidyanathan N, Chartered Accountant for auditing the accounts of AFST(I) and AFST(I) Education and Publication Trust.

It was really a great opportunity for me to work as a Treasurer for this internationally recognised organization.

Sd/-

Place: Mysuru

Date : 09/12/2023

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Members of
ASSOCIATION OF FOOD SCIENTISTS AND TECHNOLOGISTS (INDIA)

Opinion

We have audited the Standalone financial statements of ASSOCIATION OF FOOD SCIENTISTS AND TECHNOLOGISTS (INDIA) ("*The Association*") which comprises the Balance Sheet as at March 31, 2023, the Statement of Income and Expenditure and the statement of Receipts and Payments, for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information

In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the aforesaid standalone financial statements give the information required by the Karnataka Societies Registration Act, 1960 (The Act) in the manner so required and give a true and fair view in conformity with the accounting principles generally accepted in India, of the state of affairs of the Association as at March 31, 2023, and **Surplus** for the year ended on that date.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with the Standards on Auditing (SAs) specified by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. Our responsibilities under those Standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. Those standards require that we comply with the ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Financial Statements are free from material misstatement.

We are independent of the Association in accordance with the Code of Ethics issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements under the provisions of the Act and the Rules thereunder, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the Code of Ethics. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Emphasis of Matter

We draw attention to note # 6-Schedule-11- Notes on Accounts & Accounting Policies forming part of the Financial Statements. The Association's Financial Statements includes Audited financial statements of chapters, audited by other auditors. The Association comprises of 46 chapters/branches, out of which financial statements/reports of 33 branches audited by the other auditors have been included in the consolidated financial statements. However we have not received any financial statements (audited/unaudited) /audit reports/information regarding the rest of the 13 branches. Accordingly, we are unable to comment on such accounts.



The Turnover and the Input Tax Credit (ITC) as per GST portal and the books of account is under reconciliation and is subject to recording of entries, if any, on such reconciliation. We are unable to ascertain its impact, if any, on the financial statements.

Our opinion is not modified in respect of the above matters.

Responsibility of Management for the Standalone Financial Statements

The Association's Management committee is responsible for the matters stated in the applicable Law with respect to the preparation of these standalone financial statements that give a true and fair view of the financial position, financial performance, of the Association in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in India, including the accounting Standards specified under the Act. This responsibility also includes maintenance of adequate accounting records in accordance with the provisions of the Act for safeguarding of the assets of the Association and for preventing and detecting frauds and other irregularities; selection and application of appropriate implementation and maintenance of accounting policies; making judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and design, implementation and maintenance of adequate internal financial controls, that were operating effectively for ensuring the accuracy and completeness of the accounting records, relevant to the preparation and presentation of the financial statement that give a true and fair view and are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Association or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Management committee is also responsible for overseeing the association's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with SAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with SAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control.



Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.

Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the entity's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditors' report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the entity to cease to continue as a going concern.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

Further to the above comments, we report that:

- a) We have sought and obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purposes of our audit.
- b) In our opinion proper books of accounts as required have been kept by the Association so far as it appears from our examination of those books.
- c) The Balance Sheet, the Income & Expenditure Account and the Receipts & Payments Account dealt with by this Report are in agreement with the books of account.

For Rau & Nathan
Chartered Accountants
Firm Regn #003178S

Narayanamoorthy Vaidyanathan
Narayanamoorthy Vaidyanathan
Partner
Membership
UDIN: 23022573BGWYZD2480



Date: 28th October 2023
Place: Mysuru

ASSOCIATION OF FOOD SCIENTISTS AND TECHNOLOGISTS (INDIA)
CFTRI CAMPUS, MYSORE - 570020

Consolidated Balance Sheet as on March 31, 2023

Amount in Rs.

SOURCES OF FUNDS	Sch #	HQ	Chapter
Capital Fund	1	8,63,56,747	89,04,280
Loans & Advances	2	24,41,927	-
Current Liabilities	3	19,97,323	46,930
TOTAL		9,07,95,997	89,51,210
APPLICATION OF FUNDS			
Fixed Assets	4	1,52,98,726	9,037
Deposits (Assets)	5	5,68,37,360	67,99,847
Loans & Advances (Assets)	6	6,17,176	-
Current Assets	7	1,60,53,065	1,03,059
Cash & Bank Balances	8	19,89,671	20,39,268
TOTAL		9,07,95,997	89,51,211

Disclosure of accounting policies and notes
forming part of accounts.

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As per our report in Form 10B
of Income Tax Act, 1961

**For Association of Food scientists and
Technologists (India)**

For Rau & Nathan

Chartered Accountants

Firm Regn. No.003178S

Sd/-

Narayanamoorthy Vaidyanathan

Partner

Membership # 022573

Sd/-

President

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Secretary

Date: 28/10/2023

Place: Mysuru

Sd/-

Treasurer

ASSOCIATION OF FOOD SCIENTISTS AND TECHNOLOGISTS (INDIA)

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Schedule - 1 :

Capital Fund

Amount in Rs.

Particulars	HQ	Chapter
Opening Balance	8,39,06,809	84,91,006
Surplus/Deficit for the year	24,49,938	4,13,274
CAPITAL FUND B/c	8,63,56,747	89,04,280
Excess of Income over Expenditure	-	-
Corpus Fund account	-	-
Total	8,63,56,747	89,04,280

Schedule - 2 :

Loans & Advances-liabilities

Particulars	HQ	Chapter
Earmarked Fund	19,94,619	-
Prior period expenses	4,02,309	-
AFSTI Education and Publication Trust	-	-
Deposits- Civil Construction	45,000	-
Loan from President	-	-
Total	24,41,928	-

Schedule - 3 :

Current Liabilities

Particulars	HQ	Chapter
Duties & Taxes	12,90,174	-
Loan From Members	-	27,500
General Fund	-	-
Payable to HQ - Membership Fee	-	-
Provisions	22,999	4,000
Sundry Creditors	74,793	5,310
Audit Fee Payable (Branch)	-	10,120
Income Tax T.D.S. Chapter Liability	1,48,211	-
GST Liability	-	-
TDS Liability	-	-
Deffered - GST	-	-
Bills payable	-	-
Other chapter Balance	4,61,146	-
Refund	-	-
Total	19,97,323	46,930

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Schedule - 4 :**Property, Plant & Equipment**

Amount in Rs.

Particulars	WDV as at 01/04/2022	Additions		Dele- tions	Total as at 31/03/2023	Depreciation		WDV As at 31/03/2023
		>180days	< 180Days			Rate	Amount	
<u>Tangible Assets</u>								
Site	46,54,261	56,83,121		-	1,03,37,382	0%	-	1,03,37,382
Civil Construction	40,64,075			-	40,64,075	0%	-	40,64,075
Furniture & Fixtures	4,52,579			-	4,52,579	10%	45,258	4,07,321
Wall clock	58			-	58	10%	6	52
Franking Machine	85,202			-	85,202	15%	12,780	72,421
Fire Exhauster	9			9	-	15%		
Xerox Machine	6,920			-	6,920	15%	1,038	5,882
Refrigerator & Stabilizer	38			-	38	15%	6	32
Air Cooler/ Air Conditioner	1,081	53,000		-	54,081	15%	8,112	45,969
Weighing Machine	132			-	132	15%	20	112
Aqua Guard	3,590			-	3,590	15%	539	3,052
Samsung Display Board & Stand	34,181	49,200		34,181	49,200	15%	3,690	45,510
CC TV	26,754			-	26,754	15%	4,013	22,741
Phone & Hand Set	8,843			-	8,843	15%	1,327	7,517
Grass Cutting Machine	23,771				23,771	15%	3,566	20,205
Manual Lawn Mover	666			-	666	15%	100	566
Nescafe Vending Machine	8,447			8,447	-	15%		
Induction Stove	3,980				3,980	15%	597	3,383
Fan	830			-	830	15%	124	705
Batteries	98,132				98,132	15%	14,720	83,412
Redmi Mobiles	2,668			-	2,668	15%	400	2,268
Strolley	1,625			-	1,625	15%	244	1,381
Computer	1,13,795			-	1,13,795	40%	45,518	68,277
Computer Applciations (Adobe)	1,51,953				1,51,953	40%	60,781	91,172
Printer	7,349			-	7,349	40%	2,939	4,409
3KVA Online UPS	210			210	-	40%		
Hard Disk & Control Card	332			-	332	40%	133	199
Laptop	12,168			-	12,168	40%	4,867	7,301
5.5 KVAOnline UPS			2,500	-	2,500	40%	500	2,000
Multi Media Projector	1			1	-	40%		
Wifi Modem	19			-	19	40%	7	11
USB Adapter	9			-	9	40%	3	5
Airtel Hotspot	54			-	54	40%	22	33
<u>Intangible Assets</u>					-			
Website	1,834			-	1,834	40%	734	1,101
Tally ERP	385			-	385	40%	154	231
Total	97,65,951	57,85,321	2,500	42,848	1,55,10,924		2,12,198	1,52,98,726

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Schedule - 5 :**Deposits (Asset)**

Amount in Rs.

Particulars	HQ	Chapter
Accrued Interest	41,85,084	-
Fixed Deposits	5,26,43,372	65,46,519
UTI Investment	-	2,53,328
Telephone Deposit	8,904	-
Total	5,68,37,360	67,99,847

Schedule - 6 :**Loans & Advances (Asset)**

Particulars	HQ	Chapter
BR Postage-Advance	6,597	-
Event Advance	28,880	-
Franking Advance	1,47,383	-
AFSTI Education & Publication Trust	2,69,816	-
Salary Advance	1,64,500	-
Total	6,17,176	-

Schedule - 7 :**Current Assets**

Particulars	HQ	Chapter
Prepaid Tax	8,93,000	-
Sundry Debtors	1,36,53,785	27,425
IT Refund Receivable F Y 2022-23	15,06,280	65,978
Current Assets	-	9,656
Total	1,60,53,065	1,03,059

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Schedule - 8 :**Cash & Bank Balance**

Amount in Rs.

Particulars	HQ	Chapter
Cash Balances		-
Cash	17,950	20,636
Bank Balance		
State Bank Of India- CA- A/c No. 036903080893	12,26,038	-
State Bank Of India- SB- A/c No. 54026000862	4,22,140	-
State Bank Of India (Con)-A/c No.64118977443	99,674	-
State Bank of India - A/c No. 33468101220	-	-
State Bank Of India - 67336680077	-	2,68,688
State Bank Of India - 2510606	-	88,765
State Bank of India - A/c No. 3327673506	-	-
State Bank of India - A/c No. 3424	-	-
State Bank of India - A/c No. 4123	-	29,358
Indian Overseas Bank-A/c No. 026701000006407	2,23,868	-
Indian Overseas Bank	-	15,602
Central Bank of India 1460326555	-	1,06,029
Punjab National Bank	-	1,60,474
Bank of Maharashtra	-	-
Bank of Maharashtra - 60392569834	-	23,899
Canara Bank	-	-
Karur Vysya Bank	-	94,208
Saraswat Co-operative Bank	-	-
Syndicate Bank	-	-
Bank of Baroda	-	1,16,102
Bank Of India	-	3,77,981
Indian Bank	-	7,37,527
UCO Bank	-	-
Total	19,89,671.05	20,39,267.59

ASSOCIATION OF FOOD SCIENTISTS AND TECHNOLOGISTS (INDIA)**CFTRI CAMPUS, MYSORE - 570020****Consolidated Income & Expenditure account for the year ended March 31, 2023**

Amount in Rs.

INCOME	Sch #	HQ	Chapter
Direct Incomes	9	2,08,83,971	26,34,512
Indirect Incomes	9A	46,24,498	2,76,352
Total (A)		2,55,08,469	29,10,864
EXPENDITURE			
Expenditure incurred for the objects of the Society	10	2,28,46,334	24,90,484
Depreciation	4	2,12,198	7,106
Total (B)		2,30,58,531	24,97,590
Surplus/(Deficit) (A-B)		24,49,938	4,13,274

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Schedule - 9 :**Direct Income**

Amount in Rs.

Particulars	HQ	Chapter
Admission Fee	26,950	-
Contribution for world food day	-	3,25,000
Contribution from HQ for programme assistance	-	7,13,539
Chapter Share - HQ	-	3,76,797
Donation	-	3,48,200
Advertisement fee	-	-
IFI Advertisement Sponsorship	-	-
Investments on UTI	-	-
Rent received on poster board	16,584	-
Sale of Scrap	7,119	-
Life-Membership Fee	16,36,331	-
IFI Subscription	80,072	-
Membership Fee	5,44,087	1,17,469
Registration fee	1,99,448	1,62,607
Webinar Fee	-	-
Royalty -Year 2022	94,26,520	-
Sponsor ship fee- Event	7,01,187	-
ICFoST INCOME	-	-
Registration fee	18,48,057	-
Sponsorship	60,86,271	4,96,000
Accomodation	-	94,900
EXPO	2,16,107	-
Advertisement fee	95,238	-
Total	2,08,83,971	26,34,512

Schedule - 9A :**Indirect Income**

Particulars	HQ	Chapter
Interest from Indian Bank	-	32,248
Interest from Bank-FD-SBI	37,33,942	1,25,634
Interest from Bank-FD-IOB	3,219	24,593
Interest from Bank - FD	4,19,862	-
Interest from Bank-SB	51,180	64,737
Interest on UTI Investment	-	7,568
Interest on IT Refund	80,678	-
Credit Balance Appropriation	3,33,043	-
Other Income	2,574	21,572
Total	46,24,498	2,76,352

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Schedule - 10 :

Expenditure incurred for the objects of the Society

Amount in Rs.

Particulars	HQ	Chapter
Accounting Charges	75,715	14,000
Admin expenses	-	1,98,000
Accommodation Charges	9,65,124	77,755
Accrued interest Reversed	-	-
Advertisement	-	-
Advisory Service	1,21,451	-
AGBM and Election Exps.	7,06,280	68,610
Annual Maintenance	16,746	-
Application Development Fees	3,21,218	-
Audit Fees	48,000	35,780
Awards	77,702	30,235
Bad Debts	-	-
Bank Charges	10,241	5,290
Building Rent	-	-
Chapter share	3,38,252	-
Contribution	5,499	10,000
Conveyance	3,03,584	-
Courier Charges	1,83,443	-
Debit Balance Written Off	83,541	-
Discount	9,259	-
Election Charges	50,000	-
Equipment Maintenance	-	-
Remittance to other chapter	-	-
Equipment Rent	-	-
Transfer to Conference	-	-
Event Expenses	9,90,836	9,98,564
Flight Charges	13,98,920	-
Freight Charges	-	-
General & admin Expenses	-	-
Gratuity of Staff	6,98,025	-
GST Journal	1,000	-
GST Paid	1,52,012	-
Honorarium	9,40,000	16,000
Incidental Expenses	4,75,624	-
Labour Charges	1,300	-
IFI Printing Charges	11,66,145	-
Installation Charges	20,750	-
Interest On Fixed Deposit	5,915	-
ICFoST Accommodation Expenses	9,56,977	-
ICFoST Arrangement	18,78,500	3,55,911
ICFoST Cultural Programme	30,000	-
ICFoST Food Expenses	16,05,736	-
ICFoST IT & Web	90,000	-
ICFoST Logo Winner	15,000	-

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Particulars	HQ	Chapter
ICFoST Momentos	6,55,302	43,500
ICFoST Poster Award	24,000	-
ICFoST Printing & Stationary	3,99,029	-
ICFoST Transportation Expenses	87,306	-
ICFoST Travelling Expenses	4,44,758	-
Legal Fee	-	-
Lunch Expenses	2,775	-
Med claim Insurance	37,472	-
Meeting Expenses	1,02,262	60,817
Membership fees sent to HQ	-	1,17,469
Memorial & Lecturer	12,000	11,169
Momento Expenses	2,18,279	-
New Chapter Assistance	25,000	-
Office Expenses	33,904	-
Office Maintainance	79,955	-
Postage & Courier	3,03,304	136
PPF Office Share	98,050	-
Printing & Stationery	1,61,336	27,337
Printing & Stationery - JFST	-	-
Prize Money	46,000	-
Refund	-	81,861
Rates & Taxes	85,208	810
Renewal of office licence	40,420	-
Refreshment Expenses	-	24,092
Repair & Maintenance	49,489	7,805
Repair & Maintanance -Electrical Work	35,955	-
Rehistration -Sub Registrar Office- MUDA	-	-
Salary	12,49,243	-
Salary Arrears	55,239	-
Service Charges	1,47,219	-
Sponsorship expenses	12,00,000	-
Seminar Expense	-	-
Staff Welfare	16,931	-
Staff Arrears	13,423	-
Staff Incentive	3,02,300	-
Sponsorship expenses	-	27,001
Telephone and Internet	49,939	-
Transportation	1,400	-
Travelling & Conceyance	15,51,309	3,041
Uniform Expenses	65,718	-
Wages	5,16,493	-
IT & Web Site	4,61,597	13,400
Winman Renewal	5,924	-
World Food Day Expenses	5,25,000	2,61,902
Total	2,28,46,334	24,90,484

ASSOCIATION OF FOOD SCIENTISTS AND TECHNOLOGISTS (INDIA)

CFTRI CAMPUS, MYSORE - 570020

Consolidated Receipts & Payments account for the year ended 31st March 2023

Amount in Rs.

Receipts	HQ	Chapter
Opening Balance		
<u>Cash-in-Hand</u>		
Cash	28,059	16,569
Petty cash	-	-
<u>Cash-at-Bank</u>		
<u>Head Office</u>		
Indian Overseas Bank A/c No. 006407	2,03,719	-
State Bank Of India (Con)-A/c No.64118977443	5,33,207	-
State Bank Of India- CA- A/c No. 036903080893	27,32,975	-
State Bank Of India- SB- A/c No. 54026000862	3,19,928	-
<u>Other - Chapters</u>	-	-
Bank Of Baroda	-	83,432
Bank Of India	-	3,39,838
Central Bank of India 1460326555	-	-
Punjab National Bank	-	1,94,774
Dena Bank - A/c No. 321001582	-	-
Bank of Maharashtra - A/c No. 20019465071	-	-
Saraswat Co-op Bank - A/c No. 10262	-	-
Indian Overseas Bank	-	15,602
Karur Vyasa Bank Ltd	-	1,32,764
Bank of India	-	-
Syndicate Bank - A/c No. 0000126	-	-
UCO Bank	-	79,664
Canara Bank	-	-
State Bank of India - A/c No. 339883	-	-
State Bank of India - A/c No. 3424	-	51,593
State Bank of India - A/c No. 10606	-	85,040
State Bank of India - A/c No. 84123	-	5,007
State Bank of India - A/c No. 67336680077	-	2,98,062
State Bank of India - A/c No. 33468101220	-	-
State Bank of India - A/c No. 314313	-	61,663
Indian Bank	-	4,60,391
State Bank of India - A/c No. 3327673506	-	-
Fixed deposits	-	48,65,167
UTI Investment	-	2,45,760

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Receipts	HQ	Chapter
<u>Admission & Membership Fees</u>	-	-
Subscriptions	-	2,57,374
Registration Fees	-	1,27,702
<u>Other Receipts</u>	-	-
Advertisement	-	-
Bank Charges	3	-
Sponsorship	-	11,06,000
Round Off	7	4
Chapter Share	-	3,05,814
Deposit - Civil Construction	-	-
Fixed Deposits	82,12,807	1,67,914
Interest on FD a/c	10,95,246	1,75,245
Interest on SB a/c	51,180	44,763
Flight Charges	34,886	-
Interest on UTI Investment	-	7,568
HQ- World Day	-	-
Advance	49	-
Advance = Secretry	-	20,328
Donations for Event	-	77,929
Donations for Award	-	-
Other income	-	94,900
Contribution for World Food Day	-	2,75,000
Contribution for other prog from HQ	-	8,62,774
Sundry Creditors	5,31,735	-
Sundry Debtors	2,09,00,050	-
TDS Rceivable	46,89,970	-
TDS Payable	6,000	-
AFST Education Trust	-	-
AFSTI Haldia Chapter	1,03,486	-
Total Receipts	3,94,43,307	1,04,58,640

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Consolidated Receipts & Payments account for the year ended 31st March 2023

Amount in Rs.

Payments	HQ	Chapter
AGBM Expenses	30,000	68,610
Annual Maintainance Charges	950	-
AFST Education Trust	-	-
Accounting Charges	-	1,000
Accomodation Charges	71,386	3,19,462
Advertisment	-	-
Audit Fees	-	17,740
Awards	40,002	6,500
Advances	-	-
Bank Charges	2,399	11,916
Balance With Revenue Authority	1,55,274	-
Chapter Share	3,38,252	-
Conveyance	7,100	1,19,673
CFTRI - Education Society	-	-
Contribution to others	5,499	10,000
Donation for Medical Equipment	-	-
Deposit	55,00,000	-
Duties & Taxes	20,28,906	-
Equipment Maintenance	-	-
Election Expenses	8,000	-
Event Expenses	1,13,423	5,44,168
Fixed Deposits	-	-
Fixed Deposits - Staff Benevolent Fund	-	-
Flight Charges	-	-
Furniture & Fixture	-	-
Freight charges	-	-
General and Admin Expenses	-	-
Gratutity paid to staff	-	-
GST Journal	1,000	-
GST Paid	1,46,940	-
Honorarium to guest speaker	-	23,157
ICFoST Expenditure	5,50,288	4,33,666
Incidental Expenses	4,15,624	-
Interest On TDS	970	-
It & Website Expenses	270	-
Labour Expenses	1,300	-
Leagal Charges	-	-
Lunch Expenses	-	-
Loans & Advances(Asset)	60,54,322	-
Med claim Insurance	37,472	-
Meeting Expenses	83,799	27,981
Membership Fees Deposited to HQ	-	2,33,037
Memorial & Lecturer award expenses	-	11,169

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Payments	HQ	Chapter
Momento Expenses	3,000	62,200
Other Expenses	26,107	4,180
Office maintainance	3,491	-
Other Advances (Franking Machine)	-	-
Postage & Courier	3,02,104	136
PPF Office Share	98,050	-
PPF to Staff	-	-
Prepaid Tax	-	-
Printing & Stationery	-	21,276
Prize Money	40,000	-
Provision	15,03,225	-
Renewal of Office Licence	21,395	-
Repair & Mantainence	180	7,805
Rates & Taxes	-	810
Refreshment Expenses	-	19,222
Refund	-	32,269
Salary Arrears	55,239	-
Servic Charges	26,085	-
Seminar expenses	-	-
Staff Arrears	13,423	-
Staff Welfare	10,985	-
Staff Incentive	1,66,950	-
Sundry Debtors	22,60,954	-
Sundry creditors	1,65,30,749	-
TDS Paid	-	-
Telephone and Internet	3,276	-
Transpotation expenses	1,400	-
Transferred to HQ	-	977
Travelling & Conveyance	2,27,584	43,407
Treasurer Advance	-	-
IT & Web Site	-	-
Uniform expenses	17,262	-
Wages	24,000	-
Winman	-	-
World Food Day Expenses	5,25,000	2,08,851
Closing Balance	-	-
<u>Cash-in-Hand</u>	-	-
Cash	17,951	20,636
Petty cash	-	-
<u>Cash-at-Bank</u>	-	-
<u>Head Office</u>	-	-
Indian Overseas Bank A/c No. 006407	2,23,868	-
State Bank Of India (Con)-A/c No.64118977443	99,674	-
State Bank Of India- CA- A/c No. 036903080893	12,26,038	-
State Bank Of India- SB- A/c No. 54026000862	4,22,140	-

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Payments	HQ	Chapter
<i>Other - Chapters</i>	-	-
Bank Of Baroda	-	1,16,102
Bank Of India	-	3,77,981
Punjab National Bank	-	1,60,474
Central Bank of India 1460326555	-	-
Dena Bank - A/c No. 321001582	-	-
Bank of Maharashtra - A/c No. 20019465071	-	-
Bank of Maharashtra - 60392569834	-	-
Karur Vyasa Bank Ltd	-	94,208
Saraswat Co-op Bank - A/c No. 10262	-	-
Bank of India	-	-
Syndicate Bank - A/c No. 0000126	-	-
UCO Bank	-	76,781
Indian Overseas Bank	-	15,602
Canara Bank	-	-
State Bank of India - A/c No. 67336680077	-	2,68,688
Indian Bank	-	7,37,527
State Bank of India - A/c No. 339883	-	-
State Bank of India - A/c No. 84123	-	29,358
State Bank of India - A/c No. 3424	-	86,575
State Bank of India - A/c No. 3327673506	-	-
State Bank of India - A/c No. 10606	-	88,765
State Bank of India - A/c No. 33468101220	-	-
State Bank of India - A/c No. 314313	-	48,788
State Bank of India - A/c No. 20727	-	7,08,097
UTI Investment	-	2,53,328
Fixed Deposits	-	51,46,519
Total Payments	3,94,43,307	1,04,58,639

Disclosure of accounting policies and notes
forming part of accounts.

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**For Association of Food scientists and
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For Rau & Nathan

Chartered Accountants

Firm Regn. No.003178S

Sd/-

Narayanamoorthy Vaidyanathan

Partner

Membership # 022573

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Place: Mysuru

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Association of Food Scientists & Technologist (India)
Assessment Year: 2023-24

Schedule 11: NOTES ON ACCOUNTS & ACCOUNTING POLICIES

SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND NOTES ON ACCOUNTS

Accounting Policies

AS-1 Disclosure of Accounting policies

The accounts have been prepared on a going concern concept on accrual basis and in accordance with the Mandatory Accounting Standards issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India.

AS-9 Revenue Recognition

- The Accounting Method Employed is accrual basis and these financial statements are prepared accordingly.
- Revenue is recognized when they are earned while the expenditure is recognized when they are incurred.
- All other income is accounted on accrual basis.
- Sales are recognized at the time of dispatch of goods and are Exclusive of sales tax /Vat collected wherever applicable.

AS-10 Accounting for Property, Plant & Equipment

Cost of acquisition is inclusive of duties and taxes and other incidental expenses, which are directly related to the acquisition of the assets & bringing the assets to its working condition for the intended use.

AS-13 Accounting for Investments

All the investments are long term investments. Diminution in respect of long term investments will be provided for only when there is permanent diminution in the value of such investments.

AS-26 Intangible Assets

Intangible asset held or acquired during the previous year is being amortized over its useful life..

AS-29 Current Liabilities (Provisions) Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets

- Provisions for expenses are made on estimated basis.
- Contingent Liabilities are not provided for.
- There are no Contingent Assets.



GENERAL NOTES FORMING PART OF ACCOUNTS

1. Depreciation is provided as per the rates provided under the Income Tax Act.
2. Unsecured Loans, Sundry creditors are subject to confirmation.
3. Bank balances and fixed deposits have been reconciled with respect to bank statements and pass sheet produced.
4. Balances shown under Sundry Debtors and Sundry Creditors are subject to confirmation and reconciliation.
5. Entries in the books for certain revenue expenses are supported only by self-vouchers.
6. The Financial Statements includes Audited financial statements of chapters, audited by other auditors. The Association comprises of 46 chapters/branches, out of which financial statements/reports of 33 branches audited by the other auditors have been included in the consolidated financial statement. However no financial statements/audit reports/information regarding the rest of the 13 branches have been received.

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AFST(I) EDUCATION AND PUBLICATION TRUST
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Balance Sheet as on March 31, 2023

Amount in Rs.

SOURCES OF FUNDS	Sch No	31st March 2023	31st March 2022
Capital Fund	1	48,46,953	48,75,037
Loans and advances	6	2,69,816	2,69,816
Current Liabilities -			
Audit Fee Including GST @ 18%		11,800	11,800
TOTAL		51,28,569	51,56,654
APPLICATION OF FUNDS			
Fixed Assets	2	61	72
Deposits (Assets)	3	25,56,755	25,56,755
Current Assets	4	1,14,720	61,265
Cash & Bank Balances	5	24,57,033	25,38,562
TOTAL		51,28,569	51,56,654

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Income & Expenditure account for the year ended March 31, 2023

Amount in Rs.

INCOME	Sch No	31st March 2023	31st March 2022
Indirect Incomes	7	2,23,812	2,25,156
Total (A)		2,23,812	2,25,156
EXPENDITURE	Sch No	31st March 2023	31st March 2022
Indirect Expenses	8	2,51,886	84,025
Depreciation	2	11	13
Total (B)		2,51,897	84,038
Surplus/(Defecit) (A-B)		(28,085)	1,41,118

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Receipts & Payments account for the year ended March 31,2023

Amount in Rs.

RECEIPTS	31st March 2023	31st March 2022
Opening Balance		
Indian Overseas Bank	7,26,778	6,67,771
State Bank Of India- CA	18,11,784	12,88,375
Fixed Deposit - SBI	23,56,755	22,68,327
Fixed Deposit - IOB	2,00,000	2,00,000
Other Receipts		
Received from AFST(I)	-	5,00,000
Income Tax Refund Received AY 2019-2020	-	15,357
Income Tax Refund Received AY 2021-2022	11,385	-
Income Tax Refund Received AY 2022-2023	12,515	-
Interest on Income tax Refund	1,590	1,223
Interest on FD and SB	1,44,867	2,38,287
Total Receipts	52,65,674	51,79,340
PAYMENTS	31st March 2023	31st March 2022
Audit Fees	11,800	11,800
Bank Charges	86	425
Trust Scholarship	2,40,000	60,000
Professional Consultation fees	-	11,800
Closing Balance		
Indian Overseas Bank	7,76,224	7,26,778
State Bank of india	16,80,809	18,11,784
Fixed Deposit - SBI	23,56,753	23,56,753
Fixed Deposit - IOB	2,00,000	2,00,000
Total Payments	52,65,672	51,79,340

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Schedule - 1 :**Capital Fund**

Amount in Rs.

Particulars	31st March 2023	31st March 2022
Opening Balance	48,75,038	47,33,919
Add : Surplus/(Deficit) during the year	(28,085)	1,41,118
Total	48,46,953	48,75,037

Schedule - 2 :**Fixed Assets**

Particulars	WDV as on 31st March, 2022	Additions		Dele- tions	Depreciation		WDV as on 31st March, 2023
		<180Days	<180Days		Rate	Amount	
Fax Machine	46	-	-	-	15%	7	39
Electronic Typewriter	26	-	-	-	15%	4	22
Total	72	-	-	-		11	61

Schedule - 3 :**Deposits (Asset)**

Particulars	31st March 2023	31st March 2022
Fixed Deposit - IOB	2,00,000	2,00,000
Fixed Deposit - SBI	23,56,755	23,56,755
Total	25,56,755	25,56,755

Schedule - 4 :**Current Assets**

Particulars	31st March 2023	31st March 2022
Accrued Interest	64,845	-
TDS Recoverable- 2022-23	12,510	-
TDS Recoverable 17-18 (OB)	19,156	19,156
TDS Recoverable 18-19 (OB)	18,209	18,209
TDS Recoverable AY 21-22	-	12,515
TDS Recoverable AY 20-21	-	11,385
Total	1,14,720	61,265

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Schedule - 5 :**Cash & Bank Balance**

Amount in Rs.

Particulars	31st March 2023	31st March 2022
Bank Balance		
State Bank Of India -54026000919	16,80,809	18,11,784
Indian Overseas Bank- 026701000007113	7,76,224	7,26,778
Total	24,57,033	25,38,562

Schedule - 6 :**Loans and advances**

Particular	31st March 2023	31st March 2022
AFST(I)	2,69,816	2,69,816
Total	2,69,816	2,69,816.00

Schedule - 7 :**Indirect Incomes**

Particulars	31st March 2023	31st March 2022
Interest on FD & SB Accounts - SBI	1,72,723	1,91,370
Interest on SB Accounts - IOB	49,499	32,563
Interest on IT Refund	1,590	1,223
Total	2,23,812	2,25,156

Schedule - 8 :**Indirect Expenses**

Particulars	31st March 2023	31st March 2022
Trust Scholarship	2,40,000	60,000
Audit Fees including GST @ 18%	11,800	11,800
Bank Charges	86	425
Professional Consultation fees	-	11,800
Total	2,51,886	84,025

AFST(I) Education and Publication Trust - Tentative Budget Estimate for 2023-24 & 2024-25

Amount in Rs.

		2022-23				2022-23			
		2022-23		2023-24		2024-25		2023-24	
RECEIPTS	Tentatives	ACTUALS	2023-24	2024-25	PAYMENTS	Tentatives	ACTUALS	2023-24	2024-25
Interest on FDs & SB	2,15,000	2,23,812	2,50,000	2,50,000	Scholarship & Award	2,00,000	2,40,000	2,00,000	2,00,000
Donation of AFST(I)	3,00,000	-	3,00,000	3,00,000	Printing / postage & Estab	1,00,000	-	1,00,000	1,00,000
					Audit Fee	15,000	11,800	15,000	15,000
					Publication	2,00,000		2,00,000	2,00,000
					Miscellaneous Expenditure				
	5,15,000	2,23,812	5,50,000	5,50,000		5,15,000	2,51,800	5,15,000	5,15,000

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING

The Special General Body Meeting (SGBM) of AFST(I) was to be held on 09th July 2023 in Southern Star Hotel, Mysuru at 12.00 Noon. However, the meeting was delayed by about 15 minutes and hence, the Chairman adjourned the meeting and requested the general body to assemble back at 12.30. The meeting was attended by 108 members and hence had the quorum required as per the constitution.

Dr N Bhaskar, President of AFST(I) and Chair of the SGBM welcomed the gathering of members and requested Dr Suresh D Sakhare, the Hon. Secretary to take the agenda forward. The Hon. Secretary placed before the GBM the agenda circulated amongst the members and also projected the same before the members. Some of the members requested the Hon. Secretary to explain the rationale for the proposed amendments. During this, the President also contributed and mentioned the chronology as to how the proposed amendments were deemed necessary. He also explained to the SGBM that as per the bye-laws, “any inclusions / modifications of bye-law must pass in two general body meetings” and after this SGBM the same would be again before the AGBM to be held during the International Food Convention (IFCoN) at Mysore.

After due deliberations and discussion among the gathered members, the SGBM unanimously agreed that the following texts shall be inserted under Section 3.8 of the constitution and the same would be circulated again as an agenda item in the upcoming AGBM.

- (a) To contest for the position of **President Designate-HQ**, the interested candidate(s) should be a life member of good standing for **10 years** with an equal amount of professional experience in the field of food science & technology and allied fields.
- (b) To contest for the position of **Vice president HQ**, the interested candidate(s) should be a life member of good standing (from HQ area) for **5 years** with an equal amount of professional experience in the field of food science & technology and allied fields. Eligible members from **HQ only will vote**.
- (c) Similarly, to contest for the position of **Vice President (Chapters)**, the candidate(s) should be a life member of good standing for **5 years** with an equal amount of professional experience in the field of food science & technology and allied fields.
- (d) To contest for the position of **Honorary Joint Secretary**, the candidate should be a life member of good standing for **5 years** with an equal amount of professional experience in the field of food science & technology and allied fields.
- (e) To contest for the position of **Honorary Treasurer**, the candidate should have been a life member of good standing for **3 years** with an equal amount of professional experience in the field of food science & technology and allied fields.

The SGBM ended with thanks to the Chair and all the members.

Sd/-

Dr. Suresh D Sakhare

Honorary Secretary, AFST(I)

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