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MESSAGE

I am happy to note that the Integral University, Lucknow in collaboration with the Tashkent Chemical-Technological Institute, Tashkent, Uzbekistan is organizing an Indo-Uzbek meet and an International Conference on "Trends and Innovations in Food Technology From Farm to Fork" during 24-25 November, 2022. I am informed that this conference will focus on the challenges and opportunity in



food processing with special emphasis on the technological developments in the food industry.

The Indian food processing sector, which accounts for 32% of the country's total food market, has an ever-increasing scope of growth and profit due to its immense potential for value addition to food products. Traditional food processing have been an integral part of the Indian culture and tradition. With time, changes in life styles and urbanization have led to higher spending on food products. The awareness to have nutritious food has further pushed up the demand for processed food. Thus, there lies an immense scope for expansion in this sector. This necessitates an in-depth analysis of the scope and challenges of the food processing sector which will generate feasible technological solutions for quality enhancements and control, packaging and value addition. I am sure, with the valuable inputs from the scientific community and other participating stakeholders, the conference will serve its purpose towards achieving this goal.

I wish the conference a great success.

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