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DIALOGUE DATE	Monday, 12 April 2021 09:00 GMT +05:30
DIALOGUE TITLE	Food Systems Summit 2021- National Dialogue Agri-Food Systems in India- Advancing Equitable Livelihoods
CONVENED BY	Prof. Ramesh Chand
DIALOGUE EVENT PAGE	https://summitdialogues.org/dialogue/25737/
DIALOGUE TYPE	Member State
GEOGRAPHICAL FOCUS	India

The outcomes from a Food Systems Summit Dialogue will be of use in developing the pathway to sustainable food systems within the locality in which they take place. They will be a valuable contribution to the national pathways and also of interest to the different workstreams preparing for the Summit: the Action Tracks, Scientific Groups and Champions as well as for other Dialogues.

1. PARTICIPATION

TOTAL NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS

PARTICIPATION BY AGE RANGE

0-18

19-30

31-50

51-65

66-80

80+

PARTICIPATION BY GENDER

Male

Female

Prefer not to say or Other

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS IN EACH SECTOR

Agriculture/crops

Fish and aquaculture

Livestock

Agro-forestry

Environment and ecology

Trade and commerce

Education

Communication

Food processing

Food retail, markets

Food industry **Financial Services** Health care

Nutrition

National or local government

Utilities

Industrial

Other

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS FROM EACH STAKEHOLDER GROUP

Small/medium enterprise/artisan

Large national business

Multi-national corporation

- Small-scale farmer
- 7 Medium-scale farmer
- Large-scale farmer 12
- 11 Local Non-Governmental Organization
- 2 International Non-Governmental Organization Indigenous People
- 24 Science and academia

Workers and trade union

Member of Parliament

Local authority

- Government and national institution
- 10 Regional economic community
- 8 **United Nations**
- International financial institution 1
- 2 Private Foundation / Partnership / Alliance

Consumer group

Other

2. PRINCIPLES OF ENGAGEMENT

HOW DID YOU ORGANIZE THE DIALOGUE SO THAT THE PRINCIPLES WERE INCORPORATED, REINFORCED AND ENHANCED?

The dialogue was organised in the true spirit of the principles of the Summit. An interdisciplinary group was created for inclusive planning and curation of the dialogue process that reinforced inclusion in the very planning stages of the Member state dialogue. Under the shadow of the COVID-19 Pandemic, given the restrictions on movement and in-person meetings, a dedicated webpage on the Nodal Ministry's website was created to expand and include as many stakeholders. There was a dedicated Take Part option and an option of submitting detailed ideas, challenges and suggested pathways, in recognition of the complexity, embrace multi-stakeholder inclusivity and be respectful towards the ideas of one and all. The dialogue was held virtually due to the severe pandemic wave, and diverse range of stakeholders, experts and practitioners were invited to present their ideas and highlight the challenges. The 1st level National dialogue marked the beginning of the process that acknowledged and complement the work already done by variety of stakeholders and concrete ideas were discussed to ensure that the momentum generated is continued. The significant in flow of submissions on dedicated webpage, especially from the non-state actors implies the trust and confidence that the dialogue has been able to generate.

HOW DID YOUR DIALOGUE REFLECT SPECIFIC ASPECTS OF THE PRINCIPLES?

The dialogue acted with urgency and showed its commitment to the Summit by organizing the event despite the pandemic and took all necessary precautions to ensure stakeholders feel safe and motivated to participate. The dialogue recognized the complexities related to food systems and the various aspects that impact and are impacted by the food systems by ensuring the involvement of diverse stakeholders as well as focusing on inclusivity by providing a platform for representation from all parties involved. Every stakeholder was encouraged to share areas where they need support to promote further efficiencies in their field and this built inter disciplinary trust and complementary approach.

DO YOU HAVE ADVICE FOR OTHER DIALOGUE CONVENORS ABOUT APPRECIATING THE PRINCIPLES OF ENGAGEMENT?

No, please.

3. METHOD

The outcomes of a Dialogue are influenced by the method that is used.

DID YOU USE THE SAME METHOD AS RECOMMENDED BY THE CONVENORS REFERENCE MANUAL?

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Yes

No

4. DIALOGUE FOCUS & OUTCOMES

MAJOR FOCUS

The Government of India volunteered for Action Track 4, i.e., Advance Equitable Livelihoods but not limited to, given the diversity of our food systems, its impact and linkage with socio-economic-ecological systems, supply, demand and the whole value chain. India can suitability engage and contribute in all the Action Tracks to showcase the best practices and provide 'game changing ideas' for the betterment of agri-food systems. Nevertheless, we would like to make more visible

The dialogue collectively tried to focus on the following areas of concerns and pointedly contemplate on the questions to contribute meaningfully for the success of the dialogue, which were broad enough to include the whole range of ideas, challenges and suggestions across the entirety of the food systems.

1. What are the National pathways towards sustainable food systems in the coming decade in line with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable development?

2. What are the levers and opportunities to bring pathways to life? This should include practices, policies, actions, infrastructure, institutions, partnerships and commitments.

3. How to cope with shocks and vulnerabilities caused by shocks like COVID?

4. What should be the national ambition and efforts needed to achieve that?

5. How to manage damage to nature caused by food systems?

6. What are the changes needed and mechanisms to balance needs of present and future?
7. Changes needed in national development plans, climate action and sustainable food systems, as well as relevant regional and international agreements?

8. Game changing ideas, experiences and replicable success stories

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	Action Track 3: Boost nature-positive production
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	Action Track 5: Build resilience to vulnerabilities, shocks and stress

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MAIN FINDINGS

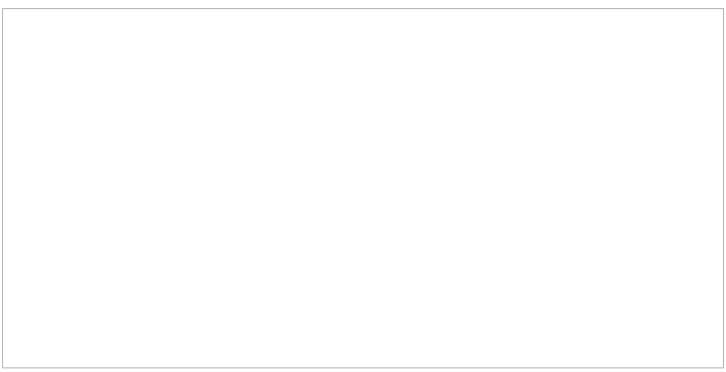
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OUTCOMES FOR EACH DISCUSSION TOPIC

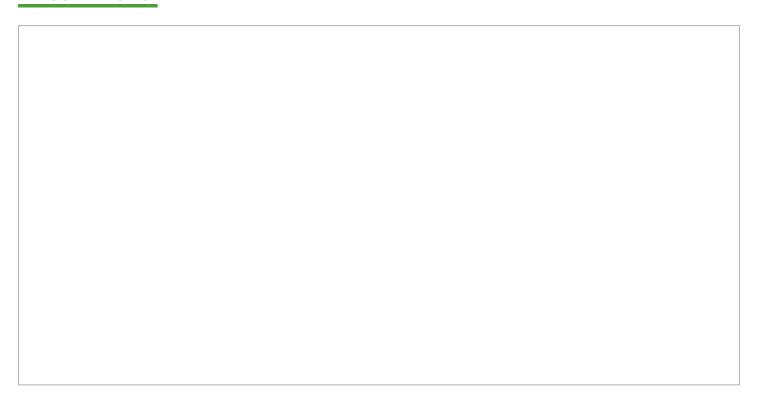


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ATTACHMENTS AND RELEVANT LINKS

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Executive Summary First Member State Dialogue-India https://summitdialogues.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/Executive-summary_first-member-state-dialogue_India.pdf