

Feed & Feed Ingredients Conclave – 2017  
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## WELCOME ADDRESS

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Good Evening!

At the outset, I would like to extend a warm welcome to each and everyone of you who have come for this august gathering.

I welcome our beloved Guests of Honour Padmashree Dr. D.Y. Patil, Former Governor of Tripura & Bihar and Dr. O. P. Chaudhary, Joint Secretary (CDD), Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries, Government of India. I also welcome Mr. R. S. Sodhi, Managing Director, Gujarat Coop. Milk Federation, Dr. Bharati Singh, Director CPDO (WR) and Dr. S .K. Saxena, Director, Export Inspection Council of India. I also extend my welcome to senior officials from Central & State Governments, all special invitees, speakers, sponsors and delegates. I also extend a cordial welcome to Mr. Atul Chaturvedi of SEA and Mr. Sandeep Bajoria of AICOCSA.

CLFMA was started in the year 1967 and we are celebrating the golden jubilee this year. CLFMA is the representative of the entire livestock, poultry and aquaculture industry in India. This sector contributes 4% to the total GDP of the country and contributes 27% to the agriculture GDP. The poultry sector is an important driver of ensuring the protein security for the common man. It also provides livelihood to 2 crore small and marginal farmers. I am confident that in line with NITI Aayog's vision, the animal agriculture sector can contribute to the doubling of farm income by 2022.

The 90% of feed for poultry consists of maize and soya. The maize and soya in the not edible form by humans; are the feed for poultry. In this context, increasing the

quantity of production as well as the quality of maize and soya in the country is vital for animal agriculture sector's growth.

SEA, started in 1963, is a well renowned organization, fostering the growth of the solvent extraction industry in India and the primary association of oil and oilmeal manufacturers. For poultry, the by-product of oil manufacturing is feed for the birds.

This forum is a platform to discuss how our two associations can work together to achieve food security of our country. In this conclave, we will be discussing the feed outlook for 2018, presentations on Dairy, Poultry and aquaculture sectors, oilmeals and grains outlook, animal protein sector-challenges and opportunity and a panel discussion by the experts on the price outlook.

I am sure that everyone present here is immensely benefitted by the knowledge gathered during this forum.

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