

80th AIFPA Annual Conference

on

Negativity & Myths About Food Processing: The Science Behind Safe and Healthy Food

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AIFPA Food Safety Awards 2024







CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

9.00 - 10.00 REGISTRATION & WELCOME TEA	
10.00 - 11.30 INAUGRAL SESSION	
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Traditonal Floral Presentation to Dignitaries	
Welcome Address	Dr. Raghav Jadli, President, AIFPA & Business Managing Director, Jadli Foods (India) Pvt. Ltd.
Theme Address	Dr. Subodh Jindal, Immediate Past President, AIFPA & Managing Director, Excelsior Food & Chem. Industries
Special Address	Ms. Inoshi Sharma, IRS Executive Director (Regulatory Compliance, TICD, Regional Office) Food Safety & Standards Authority of India
Keynote Address	Prof. Dr. Rakesh Mohan Joshi Vice Chancellor, IIFT, New Delhi
Distribution of AIFPA Food Safety Awards - 2024	Introduction & Honouring the Jury Members By: Shri Kajal Debnath, North Zone Chairman, AIFPA & Chief Regulatory officer, DFM Foods Ltd.
Inaugural Address by Chief Guest	Shri Chirag Paswan, Hon'ble Minister, Ministry of Food Processing Industries, Government of India
Presentation of Mementos	
Vote of Thanks	Dr. A.K. Tyagi, Vice President, AIFPA & Executive Director, Haldiram Group of Companies
11.30-11.45 TEA & COFFEE BREAK	
11.45–13.00 Technical Session-I "Food Sustains Life, Processing Sustains Food"	
Session Chairman: Dr. H. S. Oberoi, Director, NIFTEM	
Pivotal Role of Food Processing in Societal Sustenance and Saving Perishable Produce	Dr. J. P. Dongare, Agricultural Marketing Adviser (SAG), Ministry of Food Processing Industries, Govt. of India
Processing & Packaging is Key for Food to Reach the Consumer	Shri Kajal Debnath, North Zone Chairman, AIFPA & Chief Regulatory Officer, DFM Foods Pvt. Ltd.
Positivity about Indian Foods is Crucial for Global Markets	Dr. Sudhanshu, Secretary, APEDA
Indian Heritage Food is Healthy, Negating it would be Suicide	Dr. Prabodh Halde, West Zone Chairman, AIFPA & Head-Technical Regulatory Affairs, Marico Ltd.
13.00-14.00 Technical Session-II "Food Processing: A Function of Science & Technology"	
Session Chairman: Dr.V. Prakash, Padmashree, Former Director of CFTRI & Distinguished Scientist of CSIR-ICAR	
Food Processing is based on Scientific Research	Prof. Dr. Rakesh Kumar Sharma, CEO and Director (Academics and Innovation, Center for Disaster Preparedness, Recovery and Research (CDPRR) and Chairperson of CBRN Warriors India Foundation
Food Processing is Monitored by a Robust Regulatory Framework	Shri Harsh Gursahani, Regulatory Advisor AIFPA & Partner, PLR Chambers
Putting Shortcomings of Agriculture on Processed Foods is r Scientific	ot Shri Krishna Kumar Joshi, T&FRAC Chairman, AIFPA & Head-Regulatory Affairs, ITC Ltd.
Demeaning Processed Food is Unfortunate, Positive Publicit Required	Dr. Shatadru Sengupta, Chief Legal Officer, Hardcastle Restaurants Pvt. Ltd.
14.00 onwards NETWORKING LUNCH	

AIFPA FOOD SAFETY AWARDS

BACKGROUND

Ensuring food safety has become a paramount concern for consumers globally, affecting both developed and developing nations.

Food processing has two pivotal areas requiring urgent attention include:

- Enhancing consumer confidence by ensuring the safety and quality of processed food.
- To leverage India's capacity to penetrate world markets which depends on its ability to meet increasingly stringent food safety standards imposed in developed countries.

To promote widespread awareness and adoption of food safety practices, various initiatives have been undertaken by the Ministry of Food Processing Industries, the All India Food Processors' Association (AIFPA), and other stakeholders across the food supply chain in India. These efforts aim to elevate food safety and quality standards within the food processing sector, encompassing street vendors and eateries as well.



Announcement of Food Safety

Awards during International Juice

Conference



Dr. Subodh Jindal and Mr. Kajal Debnath explaining about Food Safety Awards 2024

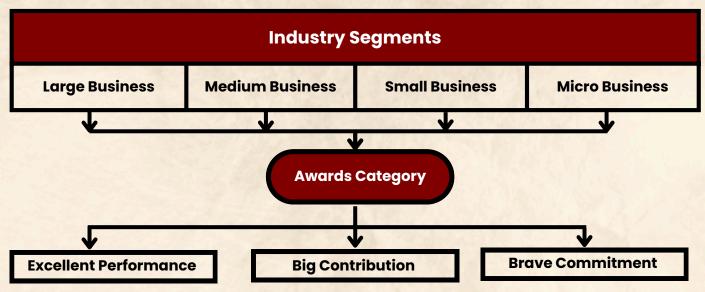


Meeting with Jury members of Food Safety Awards 2024

NEED FOR A FOOD SAFETY AWARD

In order to encourage the adoption of food safety practices in India and to acknowledge exemplary models, the All India Food Processors' Association (AIFPA), along with its stakeholders and knowledge partners, is introducing the Food Safety Awards for the food processing sector, including eateries and canteens engaged in food production and culinary services.

The award aims to recognize organizations that have demonstrated excellence and made significant contributions to the field of food safety systems. The awards will be conferred for the year 2024 to an organization for its ground breaking advancement in food safety or in recognition of its longstanding commitment to enhancing food safety systems.



ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

Food processing has often been clouded with misconceptions of the consumers that processed foods are unhealthy, lower in nutrients, containing artificial ingredients and are of potential risks to human health. However, this narrative disregards the crucial role which food processing industry is playing to ensure safety, enhancing nutrition, reducing food waste, and addressing global food security. Despite these benefits, misinformation is being spread through various social media platforms by the self-styled food experts fueling the perception that processed foods are inherently unhealthy or "unnatural". Therefore, it is essential to bring consumer awareness for dispelling these myths.

Keeping this critical issue in mind, AIFPA is organizing its 80th Annual Conference on the theme "Negativity & Myths About Food Processing: The Science Behind Safe and Healthy Food" which is to be held on 6th March, 2025 at Bharat Mandapam, Pragati Maidan, New Delhi, during the India's leading exhibition AAHAR-2025. Hon'ble Minister of Food Processing Industry Shri Chirag Paswan has kindly consented to be the Chief Guest to Inaugurate the Annual Conference. The conference will be attended by large number of Industry leaders, Food manufacturers, Scientists, and Senior government officials.

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WHO WE ARE

- Apex Pan-India Association with 80+ years of excellence
- Covers all food industry segments at all levels
- Largest pool of technical experts & technologists
- Working together with academic
- Pioneering body dedicated to put food processing on scientific platform.

ROLE OF AIFPA

- Resolving industry concerns at policy making levels
- Establishing International Partnerships / Collaborations
- Conducting Seminars, Trainings, Exhibitions
- Awarding meritorious industry contributions
- Enhancing B2B Relations for shared objectives

OUR MISSION

- Growth of Food Processing industry
- Promoting Compliance of food standard
- To obtain feedback from industry clusters
- Dissemination of market trends & insights
- Strengthening technology & innovation

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