

Interactive Session on Food Processing Industry conducted

Central assistance of Rs. 50 Cr. For KINFRA's Wayanad Food Park: Union Minister Subodh Kant Sahay



Together we can make a difference: Union Minister Subodh Kant Sahay being greeted by Industries Minister Elamaram Kareem on the dais

Trivandrum: The Govt. of India will provide financial assistance amounting to Rs. 50 Cr. to Kerala for setting up a Food Park which is to come up in Wayanad district under the aegis of KINFRA, said Sri Subodh Kant Sahay, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Food Processing.

Addressing an interactive session organized by KINFRA here on January 3, 2008, Minister Sahay added that such projects can be smoothly implemented if the State has a separate policy for food processing industry.

"The year 2008 is going to be the year of Food Technology", he pointed out. "And Kerala is sure to script a success story in the area because of the surge in horticulture here and the timely intervention of State sector undertakings like KINFRA to speed up the process."

Speaking at the interactive session, Sri Elamaram Kareem, Hon'ble Minister-Industries, Kerala said that land acquisition process for the proposed KINFRA Food Park in 300 acres in Kalpetta, Wayanad district is already underway.



Move ahead, we are with you: Union Minister Subodh Kant Sahay addressing the Interactive Session

"For Kerala, Food Processing is one of the most important thrust areas for future development", he pointed out. "It is my hope that this interactive session would result in focused efforts and attention on appropriate technologies and supports for the purpose."

Principal Secretary-Industries, Sri T. Balakrishnan, IAS and MD-KINFRA, Sri S. Ramnath also addressed the session.

Expert presentations were made by Dr. C. Arumughan (NIST), Dr. S. Edison (CTCRI) and Dr. John T. Zachariah (IISR) at the interactive



This, our thrust area: Minister Elamaram Kareem speaking at the interactive session. Also seen are Union Minister Sahay, Principal Secretary T. Balakrishnan and MD-KINFRA S. Ramnath

session attended by technologists, industrialists, investors, officials and representatives of the media.



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From the KINFRA archives

A Kerala-Singapore summit of smiles!

A visionary Chief Minister with a sense of humour. The official representative of an Asian City-State that is the very epitome of economic development in the region. When they came face to face at a meeting arranged by KINFRA in 1999, no



wonder that smiles provided the ideal backdrop for serious discussions in the Kerala Chief Minister's office in Trivandrum. Photo shows the then-Chief Minister, late Sri E.K. Nayanar in conversation with Mr. Knot Pu Wong, then-High Commissioner of Singapore in India, joined by Dr. G.C. Gopala Pillai, then-MD, KINFRA, and others.

IPIX Solutions, Menon BPO inaugurated

Kakkanchery: IPIX Solutions and Menon BPO, both promoted by the Morison Menon Group of UAE was inaugurated in the KINFRA Techno Industrial Park



here by the Hon'ble Minister-Industries, Sri Elamaram Kareem. Photo shows the Minister flanked by Sri Rajagopalan Menon, Managing Partner, Morison Menon Group, Mr. Hamad Abdulla Al Mass, Executive Director, International Economic Relation Section, Department of Planning and Economy, Abu Dhabi and Sri S. Ramnath, MD, KINFRA.

Biotechnology Incubation Centre: Project report presented

Dr. R.P. Jeevan Kumar from BCIL recently presented the detailed project report on the setting up of the Biotechnology Incubation Centre at



Hi-Tech Park, Kalamassery. Photo shows Dr. Kumar making the presentation, attended by Dr. Purnima Sharma (ED&CEO), Sri Desikan of BCIL, Dr. C.S. Paulose, HOD-Biotechnology, CUSAT, Sri Thomas Jacob, President & CEO, L.J. International (AVT Group), Sri S. Ramnath, MD, KINFRA, Sri Viju Chacko, Manager, Technical-KINFRA, Dr. Joy Varghese, Advisor, Herbal-KINFRA, Sri A. Rassal and Sri S. Paul of KITCO and others.



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