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Mr. Hitesh Gutka, Hon. President Indian Spice & Foodstuff Exporters' Association 530/531, Commodity Exchange Building, 5th Floor, Opp. Dana Bunder, Sector 19, Vashi, Navi Mumbai 400 705. Maharashtra

Dear Sir,

We are happy to inform you that Spices Board's regional Office, Navi Mumbai has planned to organise a Buyer Seller Meet for the spices exporters and the spices growers/suppliers of the Maharashtra state on 24<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at a suitable venue in Vashi, Navi Mumbai.

As you are aware, Maharashtra is producing various spices like turmeric, chilli, ginger, Chili, Kokum, Garlic, Cinnamon, Coriander, Black Pepper, Nutmeg and Tamarind, out of which turmeric production is huge with varieties of high curcumin cultivars. The state has also registered more than 20 Agriculture Geographical Indications (GI), of which five (5) are from spices sector and they are Kokam from Sindhudurg, Turmeric of Waigaon and Sangli (Rajapuri), Bhiwapur Chilli from Nagpur and Pomegranade of Solapur. All the Farmers Producer Organisations who registered GI tagged spices in the state will be participating in BSM.

Under the promotion of Agri Export Policy (AEP), the State government has announced three (3) clusters of spices like Chilli in Nandurbar, Buldhana and Nagpur Districts; Turmeric in Sangli, Satara, Hingoli, Washim, Wardha, Nanded, Yavatmal and Parbhani Districts; and Pomegranate in nine districts such as Sangli, Nashik, Solapur, Ahmednagar, Thane, Osmanabad, Washim, Buldhana and Latur. The state government also declared four districts for spices under One District and One Product (ODOP) and they are Hingoli, Wardha, Yavatmal and Nanded. Thus spices cultivation is getting momentum in Maharashtra and production is increasing every year.

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The Spices Board has been implementing developmental schemes for supply of turmeric boiler and polisher to the farming community besides various quality awareness programme in Maharashtra.

The objective of this Buyer seller Meet is to establish a direct link of spices suppliers with the exporters; to enable the Mumbai based exporters of spices to access the sellers from producing region for their export requirements; to promote the Geographical Indication (GI) tagged valuable spices from the state and to create a better understanding on the quality aspects between spices producing community and trading community in the state.

Therefore, you are requested to please inform all your spices exporter members to register their participation in this Buyer Seller Meet positively. A format is enclosed for registration of exporters. The one day programme will commence from 10 am to 5 pm with lunch and refreshments. We have a target to receive 70-80 farmers and 30-40 exporters in the BSM. A list of dignitaries will be forwarded to you on finalisation.

We look forward to the active participation from ISFEA to make the Buyer Seller Meet a grand success.

With best regards

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