

■ 100th G20 Meeting under India's Presidency Concludes Successfully at Varanasi

The 100th G20 meeting under India's G20 Presidency, the Meeting of Agricultural Chief Scientists (MACS) on "Sustainable Agriculture and Food System for Healthy People and Planet" concluded successfully at Varanasi on 19th April 2023. Members unanimously agreed to launch a Millet Initiative - MAHARISHI - which was proposed by India for

research in the field of Millets. MAHARISHI stands for Millets and Other Ancient Grains International Research Initiative (MAHARISHI). Its secretariat will be housed at Indian Institute of Millets Research (IIMR), Hyderabad with technical support from ICRISAT, One CGIAR Centres and other International organisations. The meeting adopted a Chair's Summary cum Outcome Document focussing on a major area of cooperation in agricultural research and development for food security and nutrition, digital agriculture, resilient agri-food systems and public-private partnership in agricultural R&D.



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