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**Millet Economy: Current Status and Future Policies**

03-05-2023 | Wednesday

Adisesiah Auditorium, MIDS
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<td>Mr. Adithya Jothi, Co-Founder &amp; CEO, Millet Foundation, Chennai</td>
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Session 2 – Panel Discussion on
Future Food of Millets and Scope of Agriculture and Food Policy
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Prof. L. Venkatachalam
Officiating Director, MIDS

Introducing the Speakers
Dr. M. Umanath
Assistant Professor, MIDS

Chair
Dr. P. G. Chengappa
Former Vice Chancellor, University of Agricultural Science
National Professor of ICAR, New Delhi

Panellists
Dr. Elumalai Kannan
Associate Professor of Economics
Centre for the Study of Regional Development (CSRD)
Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), New Delhi

Dr. A. Amudhasurabi
Professor and Head, Department of Technology Dissemination
National Institute of Food Technology Entrepreneurship and Management,
Thanjavur

Dr. S. Nedumaran
Senior Scientist, Economics Markets, Institutions
Nutrition & Diversity Innovation Systems for the Drylands Program
International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics

Concluding Remarks by Chair

Vote of Thanks