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THE THEME OF THE YEAR "CREATING SYNERGY BETWEEN FARMERS,  
TRADERS AND GOVT"

**9th Annual Spice Trade Meet,  
Holiday Inn Resort Goa on 7th & 8th March 2025.**



*FISS Wishes you and your family  
Happy Diwali & Prosperous New Year*

**From the chairman’s desk**



*Greetings from Federation of Indian Spice Stakeholders*

*Wishing you all Happy Diwali and a Prosperous New Year*

*Federation extends our Heartiest Congratulations to Ms P Hemalata, IAS who has been appointed as the Secretary of the Spice Board of India. Our best wishes to her in all her endeavours for the promotion and development of Spice Export from India.*

- *The 6<sup>th</sup> Mid-term meet of the Federation held at Junagadh on 20<sup>th</sup> October 2024 at The Ferns Leo Resort, Junagadh was a houseful event, successfully organised with participation of more than 300+ Spice trade and stakeholders. Federation honoured and felicated some of the leading traders and legends of the Spice trade for their immense support for the development of the Spice trade over the years. Federation thanks the participants, Sponsor and Shri Faizal Soratia, Director, FISS and his team for their support and co-operation.*
- *The 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Spice Trade Meet on 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> March 2024 at The Holiday Inn, Mobor Beach, Cavelossim, South Goa, 403731. Crop Survey Report 2025 will be unveiled, Interactive Panel discussion, knowledge session Gala Dinner and other events will be held during the two-day event. Delegate registration has commenced in full swing, as there are limited seats on first cum first basis, request interested members to reserve their seats immediately to avail discount and to avoid last minute disappointment.*
- *Federation is planning to mount a Trade delegation to Turkey sometime in December 2024 to access cumin situation and collaborate with their Local chamber of commerce to arrange B2B meeting to boost the bi-lateral trade between India and Turkey on spices and Agro-products. Shri Yogesh Mehta, Trustee is coordinating with the counterparts in Turkey for the mounting the trade delegation.*
- *In the sad demise of Shri Ratan Tata, India has lost an icon who blended corporate growth with nation building, and excellence with ethics. A recipient of Padma Vibhushan and Padma Bhushan, he took forward the great Tata legacy and gave it a more impressive global presence. Federation members express our Heartfelt condolence.*

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*We look forward to your co-operation and support for advancing the objective of the Federation which will boost the Spice trade eco-system.*

*With warm regards*

*Ashwin Nayak, Chairman,  
Federation of Indian Spice Stakeholders*

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**TOTAL EXPORT (CUMIN SEED/POWDER) SEPT 2024**

MONTH (2022/2023)	EX-PORT(MT)	MONTH (2023/2024)	EX-PORT(MT)	MONTH (2024-2025)	EX-PORT(MT)
MARCH 2022	13597 MT	MARCH 2023	20148 MT	MARCH 2024	33230 MT
APRIL 2022	10475 MT	APRIL 2023	17169 MT	APRIL 2024	41185 MT
MAY 2022	15639 MT	MAY 2023	25975 MT	MAY 2024	22885 MT
JUNE 2022	20345 MT	JUNE 2023	9829 MT	JUNE 2024	16810 MT
JULY 2022	20345 MT	JULY 2023	7994 MT	JULY 2024	20217 MT
AUGUST 2022	24439 MT	AUGUST 2023	7640 MT	AUGUST 2024	14372 MT
SEPTEMBER 2022	16978 MT	SEPTEMBER 2023	7196 MT	SEPTEMBER 2024	17433 MT
OCTOBER 2022	11508 MT	OCTOBER 2023	7627 MT		
NOVEMBER 2022	11685 MT	NOVEMBER 2023	9712 MT		
DECEMBER 2022	12100 MT	DECEMBER 2023	13725 MT		
JANUARY 2023	9325 MT	JANUARY 2024	14094 MT		
FEBRUARY 2023	13117 MT	FEBRUARY 2024	13585 MT		
<b>TOTAL EXPORT (MARCH 2022 TO FEBRUARY 2023)</b>	<b>EXPORT 1,79,553 MT (CUMIN BAG 55 KG = 32,64,600 LAKH BAGS EXPORT)</b>	<b>TOTAL EXPORT (MARCH 2023 TO FEBRUARY 2024)</b>	<b>EXPORT 1,54,694 MT (CUMIN BAG 55 KG = 28,12,618 LAKH BAGS EXPORT)</b>	<b>TOTAL EXPORT (MARCH 2023 TO FEBRUARY 2024)</b>	<b>EXPORT 1,66,132 MT (CUMIN BAG 55 KG = 30,20,582 LAKH BAGS EXPORT)</b>

**EXPORT OF SEED SPICES FOR AUG 2024**

Export Data in Metric Ton	Jan-21	Jan-22	Jan-23	Jan-24
Cumin seed	12,967.01	13,428.59	8,049.17	13,231.19
Fennel Seed	1,541.34	1,468.66	2,167.91	3,752.14
Coriander	3,923.97	2,461.90	3,548.63	6,225.32
Fenugreek seeds	2,540.82	2,097.54	2,094.80	2,201.91
	Feb-21	Feb-22	Feb-23	Feb-24
Cumin seed	16,023.68	12,620.09	11,362.19	11882.46
Fennel Seed	3,048.28	2,561.75	951.47	1990.59
Coriander	2,177.30	2,249.89	3,637.07	6577.43
Fenugreek seeds	3,259.24	1,921.46	2,075.10	3691.74
	Mar-21	Mar-22	Mar-23	Mar-24
Cumin seed	33,203.08	13,406.43	18,552.11	33250.41
Fennel Seed	5,894.67	1,580.99	938.64	1882.75
Coriander	4,717.10	3,076.23	11,477.52	8289.76
Fenugreek seeds	2,157.24	2,408.14	1,879.40	3682.4
	Apr-21	Apr-22	Apr-23	Apr-24
Cumin seed	30,274.23	9,561.19	16281.87	39182.42
Fennel Seed	6,429.75	1,971.89	6388.14	13396.75
Coriander	4,813.83	3,124.17	10300.26	6054.49
Fenugreek seeds	2,836.86	3,886.70	2272.85	3562.39
	May-21	May-22	May-23	May-24
Cumin seed	19,452.49	13,372.75	24,794.40	22280.95
Fennel Seed	4,491.72	3,042.27	9,832.53	9574.92
Coriander	3,168.27	3,047.77	24,389.01	5492.14
Fenugreek seeds	3,176.70	3,777.38	3,848.12	4202.87
	Jun-21	Jun-22	Jun-23	Jun-24
Cumin seed	28,650.05	19,534.38	10,411.13	16624.46
Fennel Seed	6,483.32	1,980.97	1,974.74	11044.09
Coriander	3,350.79	2,427.04	12,240.90	5482.71
Fenugreek seeds	2,243.63	3,330.71	1,702.06	4174.30
	Jul-21	Jul-22	Jul-23	Jul-24
Cumin seed	22,544.96	19,096.00	8,297.80	19082.13
Fennel Seed	3,334.63	1,474.77	1,153.54	7628.22
Coriander	3,163.20	2,267.78	10,473.45	4383.43
Fenugreek seeds	2,824.62	3,291.27	2,375.79	2430.88
	Aug-21	Aug-22	Aug-23	<b>Aug-24</b>
Cumin seed	15,631.39	23,477.82	8,081.60	<b>14,496.15</b>
Fennel Seed	2,215.12	1,551.81	1,229.95	<b>4,543.50</b>
Coriander	2,186.70	2,561.56	7,473.44	<b>4,120.03</b>
Fenugreek seeds	1,850.26	3,031.30	2,071.68	<b>4,109.93</b>
	Sep-21	Sep-22	Sep-23	
Cumin seed	12,987.45	17,154.81	7190.83	
Fennel Seed	1,885.01	1,181.65	1395.47	
Coriander	2,462.69	2,463.62	4810.78	
Fenugreek seeds	2,610.96	2,698.96	1408.17	
	Oct-21	Oct-22	Oct-23	
Cumin seed	9,352.20	11,700.55	7505.53	
Fennel Seed	1,881.96	1,188.55	1739.44	
Coriander	3,490.49	2,040.81	4916.84	
Fenugreek seeds	2,259.01	2,496.36	2498.75	
	Nov-21	Nov-22	Nov-23	
Cumin seed	9,580.17	10,503.69	9026.95	
Fennel Seed	3,055.49	1,640.76	2573.95	
Coriander	3,079.69	2,350.66	4197.41	
Fenugreek seeds	1,966.25	2,145.53	2059.68	
	Dec-21	Dec-22	Dec-23	
Cumin seed	10,981.05	11,794.50	13,403.06	
Fennel Seed	2,985.73	1,773.95	5,274.30	
Coriander	3,356.99	3,478.78	6,485.56	
Fenugreek seeds	3,706.45	1,860.29	2,729.71	

Courtesy: Data provided by Shri Devendra Patel, Director, Past Chairman, FISS

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### **9th Annual Spice Trade Meet on 7th & 8th March 2025 in Goa**

Join us for an informative, interesting and the much awaited 9th Annual Spice Trade Meet on 7th & 8th March 2025 at The Holiday Inn (Goa), Mobor Beach, Cavelossim, South Goa, 403731 the land of sun and sand. This meet will be attended by the who's who of the Spice trade stakeholders from across India and Importers from abroad to strategize their business plan based on the Crop survey 2025 report

The Annual Crop survey report 2025 will be released along with Panel discussion on Technical and Fundamental aspects which will be conducted by experts, trade members and trade analyst.

#### **Panel discussion on Technical and Fundamental of Seed Spices**

Interactive Panel discussion w.r.t Area of cultivation, Yield, Production, effect of climatic changes, Domestic and International consumption and demand pattern, Market Volatility, Stock availability, Effect on usage of pesticides, Organic farming, Crop rotation and Farmers welfare. Veterans and experts from the spice trade are invited as panellists to share their views on the topics moderated by experts from Zee Business, CNBC Awaaz, Times Group, Commodity World and others.

#### **Award function**

Reward and recognise the top performers in Domestic and Exports trade will be recognised and rewarded along with Young Achievers, start-ups and leading retailers. Veterans and stalwarts from the Spice trade will be felicated with Life time Achievement award and Farmers for best agriculture practice, promoting in cultivation of organic & Integrated Pest management (IPM) crops, etc.

#### **Registration charges**

- Registration charges for the 3 Day and 2 Night stay inclusive of Conference materials, Breakfast, Lunch, High Tea & Gala Dinner
- Upto 15th January 2025 Rs 26000 + GST for Members and Rs 35000+ GST for Non-members on twin sharing basis.
- Thereafter it will be Rs 35000 + GST for Members and Rs 45000 + GST for Non-Members on twin sharing basis.
- Inform the Flight details and timing of your arrival at Dabolim airport, as Buses are arranged for pick and drop from Dabolim Airport to the Hotel.

As there are limited seats, request to register at the earliest to avoid disappointment

Looking forward to welcome you.



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9<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SPICE TRADE MEET, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2025,

At The Holiday Inn (Goa), Mobor Beach, Cavellossim, South Goa, 403731

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Name of the products / service offered.		
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**9<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SPICE TRADE MEET & CROP SURVEY 2024**

**07<sup>TH</sup> & 08<sup>TH</sup> March 2025,**

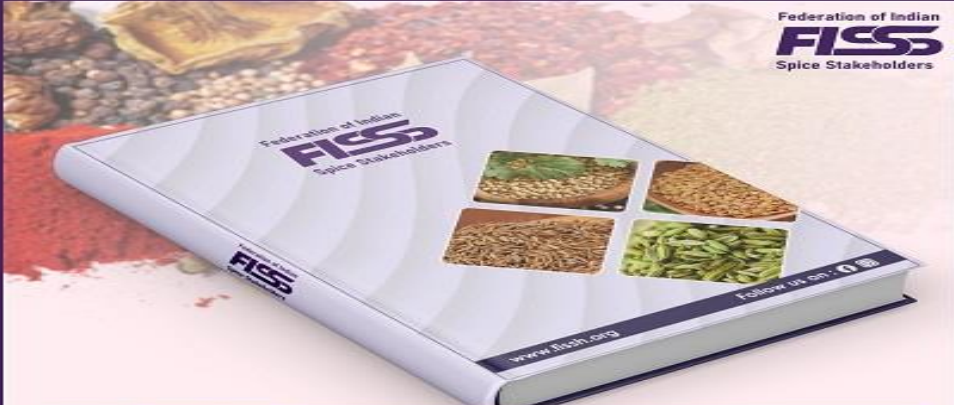
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2	PLATINUM SPONSORSHIP	Rs. 10,00,000 + GST (TEN LAKHS)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 08 (Eight) Free Registrations with accommodation.</li> <li>• Stall will be provided.</li> <li>• Name on banner &amp; all other material and on website inside &amp; outside Hall</li> <li>• 10 Mins. Presentation at conference will be allowed</li> <li>• Chance to Be Guest of Honour on Stage</li> <li>• Slide display on Screen during break.</li> </ul>
3	DIAMOND SPONSORSHIP	Rs. 6,00,000 + GST (SIX LAKHS )	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 04 (Four) Free Registrations with accommodation.</li> <li>• Stall will be provided.</li> <li>• Name on banner &amp; all other material and on website only outside the Hall.</li> <li>• 05 Mins. Presentation at conference will be allowed</li> </ul>
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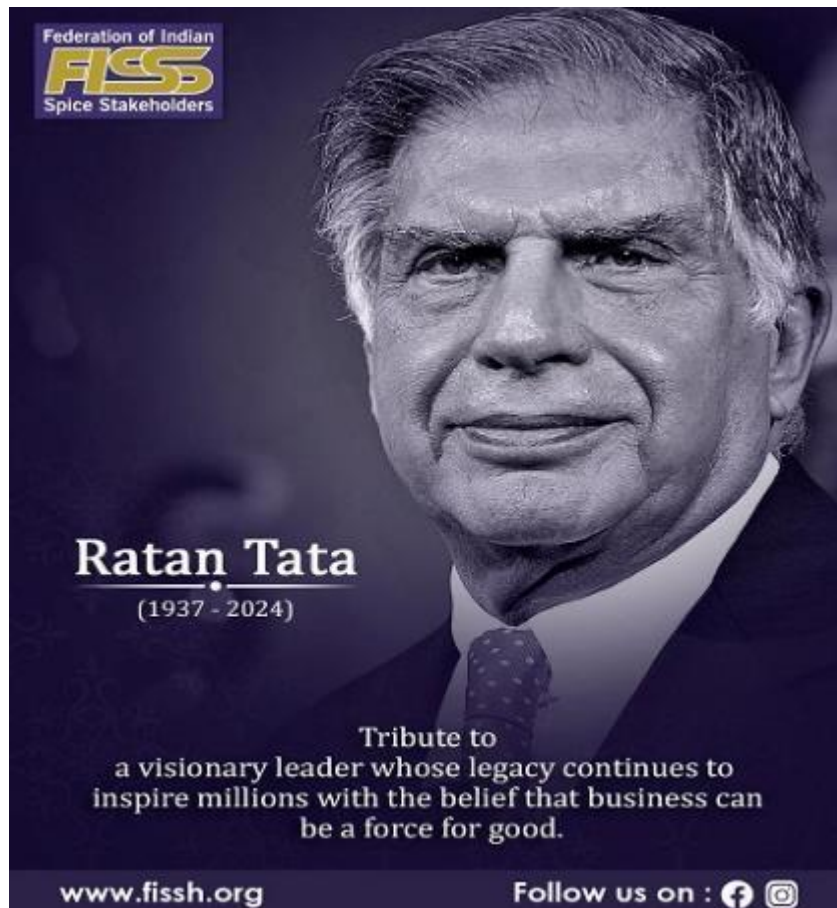


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
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## Maharashtra & Jharkhand election 2024

Chief Election Commissioner Rajiv Kumar announced that Maharashtra Assembly Elections will take place on November 20, 2024. Jharkhand Assembly Elections will take place in two phases -- November 13 and 20. There will also be a by-election held in Wayanad on November 13. Counting of votes will be on November 23.

While the term of the Maharashtra Assembly ends on November 26, that of Jharkhand ends on January 5, 2025.



05 October 2024

### Strength

- Dhaniya rose around 7% in a month as lower prices might encourage farmers to plant other crops.
- Demand to rise amid festive season.
- Stockists have started making light purchases.
- Dhaniya imports during Apr-July 2024, drop by 42.60% at 2,999.22 tonnes compared to Apr- July 2023.
- On Daily chart, prices holding well above 50 Moving average at 7060 level



### Weakness

- Steady supplies from key states like Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, and Gujarat are keeping things balanced
- Dhaniya exports during Apr-July 2024, dropped by 69.65 percent at 16,962.47 tonnes compared to 55 Apr-July 2023.
- Weak demand from exporters and local buyers causes stock to accumulate.
- Export demand concern amid Middle East rising tensions
- Demand has been subdued after the summer peak due to high prices that kept buyers cautious.



### Opportunities

- Heavy rainfall in Madhya Pradesh and Gujarat has raised concerns about waterlogging, can delay the sowing.
- The delayed withdrawal of the monsoon may disrupt sowing schedules and crop maturity.
- Monsoon season wraps up, demand will pick up again, potentially providing a boost to the market
- Early Ramzan demand expected from November onwards
- CAIT data showing 48 lakh marriages in India, to boost domestic demand.



### Threats

- As the sowing season nears, large-scale producers have started releasing their coriander stock.
- Weak export demand contributes significantly to current market struggles.
- Good carry over stock, will pressure on higher side.
- Increasingly strict regulations on pesticides in US and EU
- Recession fears loom over current economic data



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Continuing in its tradition of spreading Federation’s wing across India in focused Spice centric towns, Federation organized its 6<sup>th</sup> Mid-Term meet on 20<sup>th</sup> October 2024 at The Fern Leo Resort & Club, Near Girnar Darwaja, Taleti Road, Junagadh near the foot of Mount Girnar.

Shri U Karthik, Co-Chairman, FISS welcomed the Chief Guest, Guest of Honour, Speakers, Members of the and stakeholders from the spice trade who were present in large numbers. He spoke about Federation and its activities viz about First International trade meet in Dubai held in February 2024, Crop survey, Annual spice trade meet, taking up issues related to spice trade and exports with concern Ministry, Department and others.

Chief Guest Hon’ble Shri Rajeshbhai Chudasama-Member of Parliament (MP), Shri Kiritbhai Patel-BJP President, Junagadh Dist., Junagadh and Shri Kevalbhai Chovatiya, Chairman, APMC, Junagadh graced the occasion and spoke about the progress and development of spice and Agro-products trade and thanked the Federation for the honour bestowed to them.

Legends of the Trade who have contributed to the growth and development of Spice Trade were felicitated and honoured.

Shri Mayur Mehta, Trustee, FISS moderated the Interactive Panel Discussion on the Fundamental of Cumin, Fennel and Coriander. The panelist consists of members of the Spice trade and experts who expressed their views on the subject.

Shri Kishor Shah, Director, FISS moderated the Interactive Panel discussion on Technical aspect of Commodities. The panelist consists of Shri Dinesh Somani, Ajay Kedia, Kamal Shah and Nikhil Vora who are Trade analyst on spices, Agro-products and other commodities. S K Vera -Chancellor of DGCR was also present.

Shri Tejus Gandhi, Honorary Secretary presented Federation activity report from March 24 to October 24.

Shri Ashwin Nayak, Chairman, spoke about the FISS activities which are trade and export centric and is the only association which creates a synergy between farmers, traders, exporters and Govt. The Annual Meet, Mid term meet, International trade meet and other activities of the Federation has been appreciated and supported by the Trade. He mentioned that Spice Board, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Directorate of Arecanut and Spices Development (DAST), Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Govt. of India has been very supportive of the Federation endeavor for the progress and development of the Spice trade

Shri Faisal Sorathia, Director FISS thanked Federation for giving the opportunity to organise the Mid-term meet in Junagadh. He thanked the Chief Guest, Guest of Honour and other dignitaries, Speakers, Panellist, moderators Members of the Print and Electronic media for their whole-hearted support. He thanked the members of the trade who were present in large numbers and for the Sponsors for their support while delivering the Vote of thanks.






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Department of Revenue  
Central Board of Direct Taxes  
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New Delhi, dated 26<sup>th</sup> October, 2024


**Subject: - Extension of due date for furnishing return of income for the Assessment Year 2024-25– reg.**

The Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT), in exercise of its powers under section 119 of the Income-tax Act, 1961 ('the Act'), extends the due date of furnishing of Return of Income under sub-section (1) of section 139 of the Act for the Assessment Year 2024-25 in the case of assessee referred to in clause (a) of Explanation 2 to sub-section (1) of section 139 of the Act, which is 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2024 to 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2024.

  
(Dr. Castro Jayaprakash.T)  
Under Secretary to the Government of India

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**व्यापार के साथ-साथ चुनावों का सटीक विश्लेषण ही पहचान**

**समाज सेवा के क्षेत्र में अग्रणी पुखराज चौपड़ा**

बीकानेर की धरा पर ऐसे-ऐसे लोगों ने जन्म लिया है जिनकी वजह से बीकानेर का नाम रोशन हुआ है। अपने-अपने क्षेत्र में इन लोगों ने अपना तथा शहर का नाम रोशन किया है। चाहे खेल, साहित्य हो अथवा व्यापार का क्षेत्र हो। कोई भी ऐसा क्षेत्र नहीं है जिसमें यहां के लोगों ने अपनी पहचान न बना पाई हो। जब चुनाव होते हैं तो यहां के विश्लेषण को लोग सटीक मानते हैं और कई तरह की बहस भी होती रहती है। अगर व्यापार और समाज सेवा की बात करें तो यहां के लोगों ने अपना नाम कमाया है। व्यापार तथा समाज सेवा में रंगाशहर क्षेत्र के लोगों की अग्रणी भूमिका है। इसी क्षेत्र के निवासी पुखराज चौपड़ा ने भी व्यापार, समाजसेवा और चुनावों में सटीक विश्लेषण कर अपनी पहचान बनाई है। चौपड़ा ने जब से होश संभाला था तभी से ही व्यापार क्षेत्र में कदम रख दिया था। इसके बाद उन्होंने पीछे मुड़ कर नहीं देखा। उन्होंने 1969 में पटसन के पुश्तैनी व्यापार में असम रहे। व्यापार के सिलसिले में वे बंगाल, उड़ीसा और बिहार भी आना जाना रहता था। वे इन राज्यों में बड़े-बड़े व्यापारियों से मिलते और व्यापार को आगे बढ़ाने में गहन चर्चा करते थे। यहां पर उन्होंने पैर जमाने शुरू किए थे। लेकिन



सरकार से चर्चा भी करते। इसके अलावा 1985 से 2000 तक राजस्थान खाद्य व्यापार संघ के उपाध्यक्ष पद की जिम्मेदारी भी सफलतापूर्वक निभाई थी। इसके अलावा वे कई संस्थाओं में महत्वपूर्ण पदों पर भी रहे। नेशनल हॉर्कि के प्रचार मंत्री, वेटन एथेलेटिक के अध्यक्ष और प्रदेश उपाध्यक्ष के अलावा आचार्य तुलसी समाधि स्थल का सहमंत्री, आचार्य तुलसी महाप्रज्ञ चतुर्मास में शहर सौन्दर्यकरण का प्रभारी, नई लेन ओसवाल पंचायती का ट्रस्टी, बीकानेर व्यापार उद्योग मंडल में उपाध्यक्ष और प्रवक्ता तथा कृषि उपज मंडी में राजस्थान सरकार द्वारा सलाहकार पद का जिम्मेदारी भी निभाई थी। इसके अलावा शहर भाजपा की कार्यकारिणी में उपाध्यक्ष भी रहे।

2003 के अंत में कोमोडिटी व्यापार में वायदा व्यापार का नया युग शुरू हुआ इसमें राष्ट्रीय स्तर के कई एक्सचेंजों को केंद्रीय सरकार द्वारा अनुमति दी गई। 2004 से इस व्यापार में होने वाली गतिविधियों की तरफ रुझान हुआ और प्रयास किया बीकानेर में प्यार, चना तथा गम के हिलीवरी सेंटर स्थापित हो। इसमें सफलता मिली और आज उसी का परिणाम है कि 2003 तक जहां सिर्फिय का एक वेयर हाउस था। वहीं अब कई वेयर हाउस बन गए। सभी राष्ट्रीय विजनस खबरे के चैनलों पर चौपड़ा ने चर्चा में भाग लेना शुरू किया। वायदा व्यापार के शुरू होने से व्यापार की कार्य शैली भी बदली और इस प्रक्रिया में विभिन्न जिलों के सेमिनार भारत में होने लगे। इसके अलावा फेडरेशन ऑफ इंडियन स्पाइस स्टेक होल्डर एसोसिएशन के संरक्षक भी हैं जिसका मुख्यालय गुजरात है। साथ ही राजस्थान पत्रिका सहित अन्य पत्र-पत्रिकाओं में वायदा बाजार से संबंधित आलेख भी प्रकाशित होते रहते हैं।

1980 में बीकानेर में उनके बड़े भाई साहब के बीमार हो गए थे। इस वजह से उन्हें बीकानेर आकर अपने अनाज व्यवसाय में जुड़ गए। उन्होंने पैसा कमाने का शौक कम था और लोगों से संपर्क करने का शौक अधिक था। इमरजेंसी के बाद हुए विधानसभा चुनावों में वे सक्रिय रूप से चर्चा करते थे और आज भी जारी है। चुनावों में मतों का आकलन करने का शौक भी तब से लेकर आज तक है जिसे आज सेफालोजी कहते हैं। इस शौक के चलते राजस्थान के अलावा बिहार और दिल्ली तक जाकर चुनावी माहौल से रुबरु होते थे। इस दौरान वे कई चैनल में चर्चा करते और प्रत्याशी की हार-जीत के कारणों का एक-एक पहलू सामने रखते थे। बीकानेर आने के बाद चौपड़ा 1995 में बीकानेर अनाज कमेटी के अध्यक्ष भी रहे। अपने अध्यक्ष कार्यालय के दौरान उन्होंने व्यापारियों की प्रमुख समस्याओं को सरकार के समक्ष रखा और उनका निराकरण कराने में कई बार

**RTGS to settle transactions in global currencies soon: RBI Guv**

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NEW DELHI

India could leverage its 24x7 real-time gross settlement system and explore the feasibility of using the system to smoothen cross-border trade with various major trade partners, Reserve Bank of India Governor Shaktikanta Das said Monday.

"The feasibility of expanding RTGS to settle transactions in major trade currencies such as the dollar, the euro and the Great Britain Pound (sterling) can be explored through bilateral or multilateral agreements," Das said at the "Central Banking at Crossroads" event in New Delhi.

Such measures offer immense scope in reducing the cost and time taken for remittances, key for emerging market economies like India,



the RBI governor said. Remittances offer a starting point to develop peer-to-peer payment solutions, he said. India has already signed bilateral agreements with countries such as Singapore, France and the United Arab Emirates on linking its Unified Payments Interface with systems in those countries. It is also a part of Project Nexus, a multilateral initiative to enable cross-border retail payments

by interlinking domestic instant payment systems of four south-east Asian nations and India.

India's highly developed digital public infrastructure has led to the development of various cutting edge financial products that have the potential for cross-border payments, Das said.

According to the RBI governor, India's experience can be leveraged by other countries to usher in a "global digital revolution." UPI owner-operator National Payments Corp. of India's international arm has signed agreements with various frontier economies, most recently Trinidad and Tobago, for a UPI-like payments system.

Another key innovation was central bank digital currencies, which could make these payments much easier, Das said.

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## Gujarat government is considering a new retail trade policy

The Gujarat government is considering a new retail trade policy to promote the retail sector and create employment for which there will hold talks with Traders, Malls and Online retail platforms. The policy will focus on retail employment and customer interests.

Here are some of the objectives of the proposed policy:

- **Support the retail sector:** The policy aims to support the retail sector, which is the largest employment-generating sector in Gujarat.
- **Promote fresh employment:** The policy will promote fresh employment, especially for uneducated youth.
- **Provide benefits and subsidies:** The policy will make benefits and subsidies available to the retail industry, similar to those available to micro, small, and medium enterprises.
- **Address concerns:** The policy will be comprehensive and address the concerns of stakeholders.

The retail trade sector is governed by several laws in India, including the Shops and Establishment Act, Consumer Protection Act, Legal Metrology Act, Food Safety Act, and Essential Commodities Act.

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CBI Ministry of Foreign Affairs

01 August 2024

**Pesticides are still the main reason for the rejection of spices and herbs**



Although the number of reported pesticide issues slightly decreased in 2023, it remains high. In 2023, the European Commission reported 248 problems with spices and herbs, a slight increase from 2022. Pesticides remained the most common issue, followed by salmonella.

## **The number of pesticide issues is still high**

The Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed (RASFF) reports non-compliance with European food legislation. The problem divisions for spices, herbs and spice mixes are as follows:

- 42% pesticides;
- 19% microbiological issues;
- 12 % mycotoxins; and



- 11% plant toxins (11%).

Source: [Globally Cool](#) (April 2023)

## The top 3 used pesticides

1. 25% of all pesticide issues relate to Ethylene Oxide (EtO), a colourless gas banned in the European Union (EU). Exporters to the European market must treat spices with alternative methods or fumigation agents. Heat treatment, for example, can reduce the risk of insect contamination.
2. The insecticide Chlorpyrifos is the second most common pesticide, and the EU banned it in early 2020.
3. Third is the 'cocktail' category (21% of the total), which refers to all pesticide blends of at least 2 different types.

## Plant toxins in the European Union

Since December 2020, there have been rules on how much pyrrolizidine alkaloids (plant toxins) the EU allows in certain food products:

- For most dried herbs and cumin seeds, the limit is 400 micrograms per kilogram.
- For (mixes of) borage, lovage, marjoram, and oregano, the limit is higher at 1,000 micrograms per kilogram.

Cumin exports from Turkey to Europe face challenges in particular. The reported issues grew from 8 in 2022 to 13 in 2023, causing an 80% growth in 1 year.

## The big 5: India, Brazil, Turkey, Egypt and Indonesia

A deep dive into the RASFF database shows that 5 countries contribute substantially to the total number of issues.

- India contributed with 58 issues in 2023, up from 53 in 2022. Almost 80% of these cases involved exceeding the maximum residue levels (MRLs) for pesticides.
- Turkey had 38 issues in 2023, up from 17 in 2022. Most reports are about problems with:
  1. Plant toxins (cumin);
  2. Pesticides;
  3. Mycotoxins; and
  4. Salmonella.
- Brazil has a reputation for salmonella-contaminated black pepper. Black pepper production in Brazil often takes place on small family farms, where farmers dry pepper in the open air. Open-air drying has a high risk of salmonella contamination from animals and birds. The number of salmonella issues went down drastically from 45 in 2022 to 20 in 2023. But, this was mostly due to a 36% lower export volume to Germany, which has always been the leading country reporting these issues in RASFF.
- Egypt and Indonesia are very close in terms of issues reported in RASFF. They both had 10 issues in 2022 and rose to 18 and 16 in 2023. Indonesia's issues mainly concern the mycotoxin contamination of nutmeg. Egyptian exports to Europe mostly face issues with pesticides and salmonella.



Join us on 15 & 16 November 2024 at Double Tree by Hilton, Ahmedabad, as we explore the theme "Sustainable Spices Supply Chain - Way Forward."

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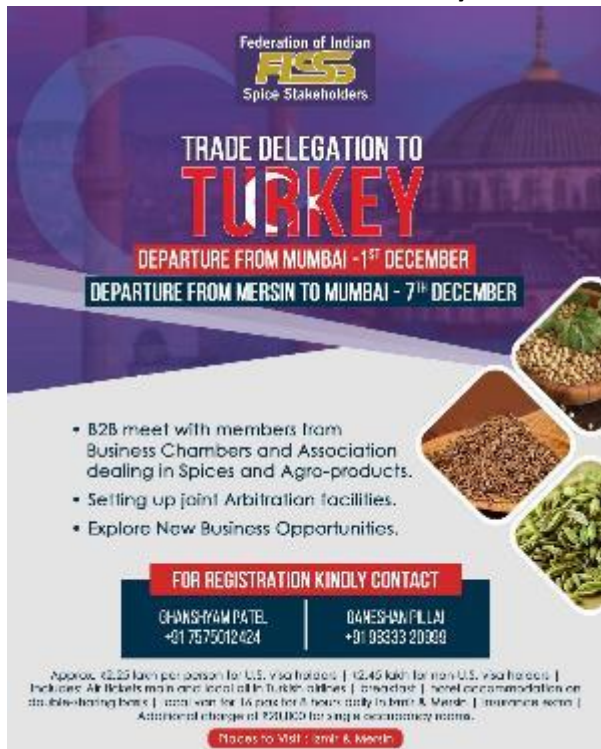
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Trade Delegation to Turkey



Dear Friends

We are pleased to inform that our Federation is planning to mount Trade Delegation to Turkey, tentatively in the first week of December 2024

Turkey has been among the first European countries to develop diplomatic relations with independent India in the year 1947. The close bilateral relationship is based on shared commonalities and commitment to the rule of law, federalism, and pluralism.

India-Turkey economic and commercial cooperation has deepened over the years and constitutes an essential dimension of the bilateral relationship. Several bilateral agreements and institutional mechanisms, at the governmental level and B2B provide the framework for strengthening ties in other sectors.

India’s economic engagement with Turkey has acquired new momentum in recent years with considerable increase in India- Turkey trade, which has crossed USD 13.80 billion in 2022-23.

**Seed Spices from Turkey**

India buys huge quantity to Fennel seed from Turkey almost every alternate year. We also import Cumin seeds from Turkey and are also one of the largest importers of Turkish Poppy Seeds for several decade.

Spice trade with Turkey in 2022-23 and 2023-24 in US\$ Million

Year	2022-23	2023-24
Export to Turkey	8716.13	9609.67
Import from Turkey	4208.84	3780.29

Source: Spice Board

There is immense potential to increase the Bi-lateral trade between India and Turkey in Spices and other Agro-Products. Shri Yogesh Mehta, Trustee of the Federation has initiated the mounting of the delegation to Turkey

In pursuant of enhancing the bi-lateral trade between India and Turkey our Federation intent to mount a Trade delegation to Turkey with 8 to 10 leading Exporters and Importers of Seed Spices from India which will help in building a strong business relation and confidence for the mutual benefits of the trade from both the country. Following are some of the proposed activities during the visit to Turkey

**A. B2B meet with members from Business Chambers and Association dealing in Spices and Agro-products**

During the visit it is proposed to have B2B meet with esteemed members from Business Chambers and Association dealing in Spices and Agro-products which will help introduce one another, their product and scalability of the Business volume.

**B. Factory visits in Turkey**

It is also planned to visit Spice and Agro-product manufacturing / processing Infrastructure/Factories, farms which will not only give the delegates good exposure for mutual benefits, but will also help in exchanging ideas which could be implemented in both ends for enhancing efficiency, cost control and adoption of Best business practices.

**C. Setting up joint Arbitration facilities**

There are sometime trade disputes between importer and exporter due to quality, pricing, etc, which causes huge loss to both the varying parties. A proposal will be made to set up an Arbitration facility jointly with Federation and Business chambers, which will go a long way in resolving any disputes on a timely and cost-effective basis to both the parties.

**D. Memorandum of Understanding**

In order to strengthen the relationship between Federation and the Business Chamber / Association it is proposed to sign a Memorandum of Understanding covering the area of interest beneficial to the members of both the institutions.

It will be a pleasure to have you as a member of the Trade Delegation which will give you an opportunity to explore new business opportunities in Turkey.

As there are limited seats available on first cum first basis, interested members please send your willingness by filling the details in the enclosed Trade Delegation – Turkey registration form along with send a cheque/DD of Rs 11800 (Rs 10,000/- + 18% GST) for members, for Non-members Rs 17,700 (15,000/- + 18% GST) favoring ‘Federation of Indian Spice Stakeholders’ as non-refundable registration charges or through NEFT as per details given below

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Please send the form and Cheque / DD to Shri Ghanshyam, Administrator, Federation of Indian Spice Stakeholders 504, APMC Building, Market Yard, Unjha–384170, (North Gujarat) Phone: +91 75750 12424, 9638082434 :E-mail: [admin@fissh.org](mailto:admin@fissh.org), [dg@fissh.org](mailto:dg@fissh.org)

Details of the Itinerary of the program, Place of visit in Turkey, Charges for Airfare, Visa charges, Hotel stay, Local travel, printing of catalogue containing details of the delegates, their products, contact details, etc and other incidental expenses will be intimated once we receive the response from the willing members.

Awaiting your positive response by 5.10.2024,

Thanks in anticipation

With warm regards

Ashwin Nayak  
Chairman  
Federation of Indian Spice Stakeholders,



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**Trade Delegation to Turkey Registration Form**

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Validity of Membership period	Entry made in Membership register



## FEDERATION OF INDIAN SPICE STAKEHOLDERS

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### Membership renewal form

Pan No: AADCF0181D

GST No: 24AADCF0181D1Z8

Name of the person (Please attach latest passport size photo)	
Designation	
Name of the company	
Federation Registration No	
Status: Individual /Proprietorship / Partnership / LLP /Pvt. Ltd / Public Limited/ HUF/ Others	
Registered office address	
Phone No	Fax No
Cell No	WhatsApp No:
Email id	Website
Nature of business (Please mention Farmer /Traders / Processor / Manufacturer / Importer / Exporter / Agent / Broker / Service provider	
Name of the products / service offered.	
Country of Export	
PAN card of the Organisation (Attach a copy if not already submitted)	
Spice Board Registration No & Validity period	
Member of any other Association / Business Chambers / Federation	
Membership fee Rs 9000/- for 3 years (For 2024, 2025 & 2026 upto 31.12.2026) +18%GST (Rs 1620) = Total 10,620/-	
Cheque / DD /UTR No.	
Please draw Cheque / DD for Rs 10,620/- (Rupees ten thousand six hundred and twenty only) in Fa- vour of “Federation of Indian Spice Stakeholders” (Cheque/DD Subject to realization)	
Bank Electronic transfer through RTGS : A/c NAME : FEDERATION OF INDIAN SPICE STAKEHOLDERS Current A/c No: 01570200001082. NEFT: BARB0(zero) UNJHAX. : BANK OF BARODA, UNJHA	
I agree to follow all the rules and regulations of the FEDERATION OF INDIAN SPICE STAKEHOLDERS	
Place	Date
Signature	Company's Stamp
<b>For Official use only</b>	
Approved by	Membership Registration No
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**New Membership Registration Form**

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**GST No: 24AADCF0181D1Z8**

<b>Name of the person</b> (Please attach latest passport size photo)	
<b>Designation</b>	
<b>Name of the company</b>	
<b>Status: Individual / Proprietorship / Partnership / LLP / Pvt. Ltd / Public Limited/ HUF/ Others</b>	
<b>Registered office address</b>	
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<b>Country of Export</b>	
<b>Country of Import</b>	
<b>GST No of the Organisation (Attach a copy)</b>	
<b>PAN card of the Organisation (Attach a copy)</b>	
<b>Spice Board Registration No &amp; Validity period</b>	
<b>Member of any other Association / Business Chambers / Federation</b>	
<b>Membership fee Rs 9000/- for three years (For 2024, 2025 &amp; 2026 upto 31.12.2026) + One-time Entry / Admission fee Rs 3000/- +18% GST (Rs 2160) = Total Rs 14160/-</b>	
<b>Cheque / DD / UTR No.</b>	
<b>Please draw Cheque / DD for Rs 14160/- (Rupees fourteen thousand one hundred sixty only) in Favour of “Federation of Indian Spice Stakeholders” (Cheque/DD Subject to realization)</b>	
<b>Bank Electronic transfer through RTGS: A/c NAME: FEDERATION OF INDIAN SPICE STAKEHOLDERS Current A/c No: 01570200001082. NEFT: BARBo(zero)UNJHAX.; BANK OF BARODA, UNJHA</b>	
<b>I agree to follow all the rules and regulations of the FEDERATION OF INDIAN SPICE STAKEHOLDERS</b>	
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<b>Signature</b>	<b>Company’s Stamp</b>
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## ABOUT US

Federation of Indian Spice Stakeholders commonly known as FISS in the agro-trade in India and abroad is a Pan India association of prominent stakeholders of the Spice trade viz Farmers, Traders, Processors, Manufacturers and Exporters with an aim to bring them under one platform for creating a viable Eco-system for a sustainable growth and development of the spice trade.

FISS Head office is situated in Unjha Gujarat which has one of the biggest APMC in the country, well known commercial centre throughout India for its trade of Jeera (Cumin), Variali (Fennel Seeds), Isabgol (Psyllium Husk), Raido (Mustard Seeds), Dhaniya (Coriander), Methi (Fenugreek) among other spices.

The Trustees, office bearers & the Board of Directors of FISS consist of eminent leaders from the Spice Industry who work relentlessly to resolve the issues faced by the trade and represent the trade at appropriate levels.

India is predominantly an agrarian economy; the majority of the country's population depends on agriculture for their livelihood and this sector contributes roughly 14% of the country's total GDP.

FISS is one of its kind in the country and works as a catalyst between farmers and Industry.

As a part of our social responsibility, Federation imparts training to Agricultural University students by involving them in the crop survey and impart practical training as these young minds are the future of the country in sustainable growth, development of the agro-sector and building up food security.

### **Annual Crop Survey of Seed Spices Viz Coriander, Cumin, Fennel and Fenugreek**

The Federation undertakes physical and scientific crop surveys during January and February for the last many years of seed spices. The students of Dantiwada Agri University are engaged to tour the various seed spices growing area for surveying the crops under the guidance of the Federation members, faculty, agriculture experts, farmers and compiling the crop survey report which are presented at the Annual Spice Trade meet. The Federation crop survey report is released in the Annual Spice meet held in the month of March every year. Our reports are referred to by the Spice Trade and Ministry for its near accuracy.

Crop Survey 2024 was supported by Directorate of Arecanut and Spices Development, Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Government of India

### **Annual Spice Trade Meet – The most coveted and flagship event of the Federation**

Federation has been successfully organising Annual Spice trade meet and Mid-Term meet during the last several years at Mumbai, Ahmedabad, Jaipur, Jodhpur, Udaipur, Neemuch and other places. During the annual meet the Crop survey report is revealed and during Mid-term meet review is undertaken to analyze the crop harvested in relation to the crop production estimated.

Interactive Panel discussion are conducted on the major seed spices i.e. Cumin seed, Coriander, Fennel seed and Fenugreek. Veterans and experts from the spice trade are invited as panellists to share their views on the topics moderated by experts from Zee Business, CNBC Awaaz, Times Group, Commodity World and others.

The discussion and deliberation at the panel are focused on Seed spices - Area of cultivation, Yield, Production, effect of climatic changes, Domestic and International consumption and demand pattern, Market Volatility, Stock availability, Effect on usage of pesticides, Organic farming, Crop rotation and Farmers welfare.

Stakeholders from the Spice trade eco-system consisting of farmers, traders, processors, manufacturers, exporters, brokers, agents and others from across India attend this event in large numbers to learn about the sowing, weather conditions, rainfall, crops yield, carried forward stocks, crops from other origin, demand and supply dynamics, future trends of consumption in domestic and international market, etc which are revealed helping them to strategize their business based on the crop survey report accompanied by networking and B2B opportunities amongst the who's who from the Spice and Agro trade.

### **Awarding Spice trade top performers for Domestic and Exports, farmers, young achievers, startups, Life time achievers**



Theme of the year “Creating synergy between Farmers, Traders and Govt”

During Annual meet FISS award and recognise the top performers in Domestic and Exports trade, Young Achievers and start-ups, Felicitates veterans and stalwarts from the Spice trade with Life time Achievement award and Farmers for best agriculture practice, promoting cultivation of organic & Integrated Pest management (IPM) crops, etc

**International Trade Meet in Dubai, UAE**

Federation organised its first International Trade meet consisting of conference and gala dinner attended by 200+ delegates on 17<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at Dubai, UAE on the eve of the Gulf Food exhibition held from 19<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> February 2024. Federation provided a platform to explore new business opportunities, network with industry leaders from India & abroad, Foreign buyers, importers and help stay updated of the current and future trends. Federation plan to have several more such International trade meet in future for enhancing the spice export from India.

Federation esteemed members have a significant contribution to the exports of spices and spice products from India which was close to US\$ 4.46 BN during 2023-24.

The theme of the Federation for the year is “**Creating synergy between Farmers, Traders and Govt**”

Federation is led by Mr. Ashwin Nayak, Chairman, Mr. U Karthik, Co-Chairman and Mr. Tejus Gandhi, Honorary Secretary supported by the dynamic Board of Directors and Trustees representing the various facet from the Spice Trade across India.

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Federation wishes many happy returns of the day to Shri Yogesh Mehta and Shri Vinay Kumar Patel, on their birthday celebration

Federation is happy to announce that the prestigious Gujarat Chamber of Commerce and Industry has partnered with Federation and have offered their complimentary membership to those who renew or register New membership of Federation up to 31.12.2023 giving them an opportunity to avail access to GCCI influential Network, super-charge business connect, stay informed about the industry trends and seize collaboration opportunities

Federation Newsletter ‘The Spice Aroma’ containing Domestic and International news of importance to the Spice trade is being send to our members, Govt Departments/ agencies, Indian & Foreign embassy among others for creating a wider presence of the Federation. ‘The Spice Aroma’ has attractive advertisement opportunities for members to promote their company and products.

Members are requested to renew their membership and continue enjoying the membership benefits offered by FISS and strengthen its collective power to make its voice heard at the corridor of power. Those who have already renewed may kindly ignore this message.

**REVISED MEMBERSHIP FEE**

- Membership fee is revised to Rs 9000/- + 18% GST for 3 years (For 2024, 2025 & 2026 upto 31.12.2026)
- New members enrolment Entry /admission fee Rs 3000/- +Membership fee Rs 9000/- for 3 years +18%GST

**We look forward for your comments, feedback, suggestions and articles / writeups related to Spices and Spices products which could be of interest to the Spice trade to be published in the forthcoming issues**

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**“You don’t build a business, you build people, then people build the business”**

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**Thanks for sharing your valuable time**

**Contact us**

**For further information,**

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