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Dear Mr Manoj Ahuja,

Official Launch FAO Achievement and Innovation Awards: Call for nominations

Greetings from the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO).

After the great success of the Champion and Partnership Awards, we are pleased to announce the launch of the FAO Achievement and Innovation Awards as part of the new annual FAO Awards programme.

The new annual Awards acknowledge progress in achieving FAO's objectives and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The Awards are open to individuals, organizations, governments, foundations, academia or private sector leaders across the world. We want to hear successful stories of agri-food systems transformation, advocating for change, or bringing about a chain reaction towards better production, better nutrition, a better environment and a better life.

Nominations are now open until 15 July 2022 for:

- **FAO Award for Achievement** – will recognise specific professional achievements in various sectors and programmes related to the work of the Organization. It would be conferred upon any entity or individual including FAO teams or employees. This Award will be conferred during the annual World Food Day celebrations and will be set at USD 10 000 per awardee.

- **FAO Award for Innovation** – will be conferred for ground-breaking innovation in areas under FAO's mandate to a broad spectrum of awardees including Members or non-state partners. Out of a total of ten Awards conferred each year, approximately two-thirds would be conferred upon partners and one-third upon FAO teams or employees. This Award will be granted annually during Council Sessions held during the second half of the year. The monetary value of the Award is USD 10 000 per awardee. FAO employees or teams will not receive cash prizes.

The Awards are a perfect opportunity to showcase success stories and celebrate the efforts of individuals or institutions that are taking concrete steps towards building a sustainable food secure future for all.

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Do not hesitate to contact the FAO Awards Secretariat (FAO-Awards@fao.org) if you have any queries and visit the FAO Awards website (<https://www.fao.org/fao-awards/en/>) for more information.

Look forward to the continued support and collaboration with the Ministry.

With best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Konda Reddy Chavva', written in a cursive style.

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