

## A Report on

### Awareness-cum-counselling session

**Departments of Bioengineering** organized Awareness-cum-counselling session on **18th June 2022** from **4:00 pm-5:00 pm** for **All India Cadre of Safe Food Business Professionals-2022** in online mode. **Organizing secretary** of the event was **Dr. Roohi**, Associate Professor, Department of Bioengineering.

The program commenced by the welcome address of **Dr. Alvina Farooqui**, Head, Department of Bioengineering. She briefs about the **All India Cadre of Safe Food Business Professionals exam which** is a novel initiative to build an exclusive cadre of safe food business leaders in India. It is a joint programme conceived and designed by experts from two leading institutions of the country, National Institute of Food Technology Entrepreneurship and Management (NIFTEM) and Nestle Food Safety Institute (NFSI) to recognize and enhance the competence of food safety professionals resulting in better trade.

Keynote Speaker of this session was **Mr. S. Dave, International expert to FAO & WHO, Ex Advisor FSSAI**. He addressed the benefits of this exam for an applicant in detail like the cadre program will identify, mentor and certify talented professionals in the area of food safety for promoting leadership through competence enhancement and professionalism. It also create a pool of resources ready to be absorbed by government departments, private companies and other national and international organizations. This improve opportunities in food businesses globally, food regulators, FAO, WHO, ITC, World Bank, etc. Mr. Dave also explain about the selection process, timeline, application fees, and broad features of the selection process. He spoke about the various aspects of Post-selection Business Leadership Enhancement Programme (BLEP) organized at NIFTEM for the selected candidates for enhancement of their competence in safe food business and leadership.

After the talk, platform was open for discussion forum where participants enthusiastically make conversation with Mr. Dave who answered every questions and queries with full energy and also motivated the students and faculty for the active participation.

The program was concluded by the vote of thanks which was proposed by **Dr. Alvina Farooqui**, Head, Department of Bioengineering. The programme witnessed an overwhelming response as total participants were 116 including staff and students.

*Some Glimpses of the event*



