

From Director's Desk



The Performance Report of CFTRI for the financial year 2008–2009 is a brief consolidated information of the Institute so that people from within and outside can take stock of how High Science and High Technology in the area of Food is doing its best in the portals of CFTRI

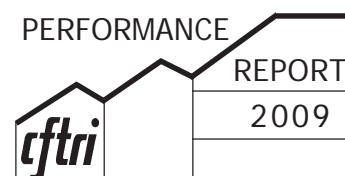
reaching out to people and to Industry and trying its best to understand the Food Science itself in a deeper way with all the developments that are happening so fast globally.

The Performance Report gives a very brief report of the scientific projects that are ongoing and at the same time, it also addresses the publications, the patents, the Ph. D theses, the processes and the products which is, as a result of hard work of our colleagues in the institute in various projects with the '*Team CFTRI*' spirit. I am deeply indebted to all my colleagues and students for their superb and untiring efforts for generating high quality Science and sustainable quality technologies by reaching out their efforts to the industries from cottage to small, medium and large industries and even global companies with a focus of High Science.

The training programme that we undertake especially spreads the Quality Literacy Movement (QLM) which has been emphasized by our Research Council Chairman very often and we have been able to reach remote areas taking the Food and Nutritional security agenda of the 11th Plan to a fairly advanced position in our institute charter and also demonstrated by our Supra mega project on Nutrition and related products in the 11th Plan.

This year also, CFTRI has continued recognizing its colleagues at all levels through instituting the awards and a number of staff were recognized in terms of their scientific, technical, support, administrative, finance, stores & purchase and also the students who were recognized for the best papers and performance in the exam and other activities. I congratulate each one of the awardees and all the staff and students of CFTRI as they pursue for quality performance on a 24 x 7 cycle everyday and serve the wonderful organization of CFTRI and the mega mother organization of CSIR and in turn perform to the expectations of the Government of India's mandate for which this Institute was established.

The pride of the institute is not only at the National but also at International level as indicated by various Honours, recognitions, awards, Fellowships for the Staff as well as CFTRI Annual Awards and how we reach the outside world through expos, process demonstrations, lectures in symposia and conferences and also the societal reach out with a clear mandate of training. We are grateful to all the Staff of CFTRI and especially in the Network projects to other CSIR Laboratories and we are extremely grateful to the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research for the full support extended during the past financial year. We need to mention our gratefulness to the Government of India for having provided a wonderful place and an ambience for working together for all of us. I strongly feel that the ultimate satisfaction comes when everybody by themselves turns out quality work in their day to day exercise that they do for Science leading to better quality of life for people in this country by triggering themselves and by making the ambience



around them the best so that the overall *Happiness Factor* increases enormously.

Our ultimate aim is a better quality life for the people of India through our contribution and those who do not even have one meal a day to make sure this is available through interfacing and networking with other partners in the country through our Science from the backward integration all the way to forward integration in the Food chain. We would also like to place on record our sincere thanks to Honourable Minister for Science & Technology and Earth Sciences and I gratefully acknowledge for his continuous and very encouraging support in all our endeavours. I also want to place on record our sincere thanks to Director General, CSIR and the entire team from CSIR Headquarters for their unstinted support for all our requests and various activities of the Institute.

I am deeply indebted to Prof. M. S. Swaminathan, Honourable Member of Parliament & Chairman–Pugwash Conferences on Science and World Affairs and Chairman, M. S. Swaminathan Research Foundation, Chennai as the Chairman of Research Council of CFTRI & all the Members of Research Council and the members of Management Council of CFTRI for constantly guiding us in R & D activities

to make our mark in the challenging world and steer us in the right direction and give us ideas, mentor and monitor progress at critical points and handholding through out the year for making this progress, which was a dream to begin with in 2008 April and a reality as of end of March, 2009.

It is also our duty to thank various Central and State Government Ministries and Departments, the various Universities including the United Nations University and University of Mysore for the confidence they have reposed in us in our exceedingly high capability to deliver by encouraging us to work on various projects and we, with the true spirit of '*Team CFTRI*' always deem it a privilege, a great pleasure and a great honour to take up such scientific challenges and move forward with a firm passion for Science and a much higher compassion to reach out to Society.

On behalf of the entire "*CFTRI family*", it is my great pleasure to place this volume of the "**Performance Report – 2008 - 2009**" in your hands and we would like to achieve "more from less" in this financial year of 2009 – 2010 as we work towards the goals set by the Institute and our peers and as we march ahead to reach out Science to Society and try to contribute for a better *Quality of Life* for all.



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