

Technological Discussion with Emerging Dairy Industrialists

Technological Discussion with Emerging Dairy Industrialists on Yoghurt with antioxidant properties was held on 28th June 2024 through online mode. Dr. Kaushik Banerjee, Director of ICAR-NRCG, Pune commenced the meeting with a warm welcome to all participants. He provided a brief overview of the event and emphasized the importance of technological advancements in the dairy industry. Dr Ajay Kumar Sharma, PI of ABI Draksha (An Agri Business Incubator at ICAR-NRC for Grapes, Pune) highlighted the objectives of the meeting, which aimed to introduce and discuss new technologies developed by ICAR-NRCG that could benefit the dairy sector. He delivered an insightful presentation on the latest technologies developed by the institute. The presentation covered a range of the innovations including patented and non-patented technologies developed at ICAR-NRCG. He emphasized the importance of waste generated by wine industry and its utilization for development of noble dairy products. He updated the participants on enrichment of yoghurt in terms of nutraceutical as well as rheological properties by adding processed fine wine lees obtained from second racking of Cabernet Sauvignon wine. Dr Shabeer Ahammed (Senior Scientist) gave insight on technological development at ICAR-NRCG in the domain of food industry. Dr Sharma apprised on support to be provided by ABI Draksha and ICAR-NRCG when any entity ready to purchase developed the technologies. The dairy industry especially involved in yoghurt making, interacted on their reservations. The meeting was ended with vote of thanks on a positive note, with participants looking forward to future engagements and collaborations.

