14th edition of the World Spice Congress (WSC) CIDCO Exhibition and Convention Centre, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra, India (September 15-17, 2023)

Greetings from the Embassy of India, Japan !

We are pleased to invite the spice industry in Japan to the 14th edition of the World Spice Congress (WSC) being organized by the Spices Board India, in collaboration with various spice trade bodies and exporters' associations representing the Indian Spice industry to be held from 15th -17th September 2023, at the CIDCO Exhibition and Convention Centre, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra.

The key highlights of the WSC-2023 include a) the carefully crafted business sessions on the theme that is the most relevant to the global spice trade; b) the excellent opportunity it provides to the global Spice Industry to meet all stakeholders under a single roof for direct business interactions; c) the grand exhibition that is planned with more than 150 stalls, to showcase the strengths, capabilities, product range, latest innovations, etc., in spices sector; d) the spice experience zone', commodity pavilion, etc, that are planned at the venue, to provide an authentic and magnificent Indian experience, both culinary and cultural, to the invited delegates from abroad; and e) the 'Awards Night', to confer and felicitate eminent Indian exporters who achieved excellence in spices exports.

WSC-2023 is one of the major international events to be organized on the sidelines of the prestigious G20 presidency of India during 2023. WSC-2023 will be a mega event with invited participation of policymakers, regulatory authorities, international spice trade associations, key Government officials as well as technical experts from G20 countries, among others. 800 registered delegates including 150 overseas delegates are expected to take part in the WSC-2023.

The Spice Board of India is pleased to invite Japanese importers as their valuable delegates to take part for the deliberation of the WSC event in Navi Mumbai. The inauguration of the WSC & exhibition will be by the Union Minister of Commerce & Industry at around 11.00 AM on the 15th of September 2023.

In this connection, a brochure of the WSC 2023 is attached for your kind information. For online registration, the Japanese importers of spices may please log on to: https://www.worldspicecongress.com. In case of any assistance requesting participation, please contact the following number & email:-

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