

Press Release

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Partnership and Collaborations between World Agriculture Forum and The African-Asian Rural Development Organization (AARDO)



The World Agriculture Forum and the African-Asian Rural Development Organization (AARDO) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) this morning to strengthen collaboration on agricultural and rural development initiatives, across Asian and African countries. The MoU was signed by the Secretary General AARDO, H.E. Mr. Manoj Nardeosingh and Ms. Leena Jacob, Director International Programs, WAF, joined by Dr. MJ Khan, WAF Country Director, India and WAF Council Members, Ambassador C Rajasekhara, Dr. Radhika Trikha, CEO TIF-AWaDH, IIT Ropar, and Mr. Sharad Bhalla, CEO & Director, Indagro, France. From AARDO Mr. Rami Qtaishat, ASG, Dr. SK Behera, Director, Dr. Khushnood Ali and others joined. The ceremony was graced by the august presence of Mr. Suresh Prabhu, former Union Cabinet Minister and Board Member of WAF from India. This partnership aims to drive technological innovation, policy exchange, and knowledge sharing to enhance agricultural productivity and sustainable development in rural communities across Africa and Asia. By combining efforts, WAF and AARDO hope to address critical challenges in food security, poverty alleviation, and environmental sustainability.

ABOUT AARDO

AARDO (African-Asian Rural Development Organization) is an intergovernmental body established in 1962 to

promote rural development and cooperation among African and Asian countries. Its main goals are to combat

poverty and hunger, improve agriculture, and enhance rural livelihoods through capacity building, technical

cooperation, research, and knowledge sharing. With 33 member countries, AARDO organizes workshops,

implements rural development projects, and facilitates partnerships to drive sustainable progress in

agriculture, infrastructure, education, and health across rural areas.

About WAF

The World Agriculture Forum (WAF) is a global forum which provides an international platform to bring

together stakeholders in agriculture, including policy makers, industry leaders, researchers, and farmers

committed to sustainable agriculture and rural development. WAF aims to enhance food security and

advocates sustainable agricultural practices.

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Warm Regards

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