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To The Editor, Sir,

I request that the following message may kindly be published in your esteemed daily:

## TNAU inks MoA with Start-up companies & Innovators

The Biotech Council for Centre of Excellence in Biotechnology (CoEB) was established in Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore. In this Centre, research and development activities will be carried out under public-private partnership mode to develop super active enzymes / biomolecules, biobased products, hormones for fruit ripening, plant growth stimulants and similar bio-inputs for the commercial benefit of farmers.

The Centre of Excellence in Biotechnology Building has been constructed with an area of 1.06 lakhs square ft, which includes knowledge and cabin space which can be occupied by start-ups, student entrepreneurs and established companies for research and development activities. State of art facilities was established at Centre of Excellence in Biotechnology to initiate high end research on proteomics and metabolomics. And also, the molecularbiology laboratories, cold room, server room, tissue culture facility, conference hall, exhibition hall, internet, wi-fi, instrumentation facilities etc., are accommodated in the CoE in Biotechnology building.

Dr. N. Senthil, Director, Centre of Excellence in Biotechnology & CPMB&B, TNAU, Coimbatore signed the Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) on behalf of Biotech Council for Establishment of Centre of Excellence in Biotechnology, Coimbatore with two start-up companies viz., M/s. Arirang Biotech Private Limited, Kanchipuram, M/s. Sakthi Fertilizers Company, Namakkal and two innovators Mr. Arunkumar Madhavan, Mr. Dhivvya Bhalan students from KIT on 03.10.2024 for facilitating the cabin space to develop their research activities, in the presence of Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of TNAU Dr.V.Geethalakshmi.

Dr. M.K. Kalarani, Director, Crop Management, Dr. E. Kokiladevi, Professor & Head, Dept. of Plant Biotechnology, Dr. S. Mohan Kumar, Professor & Project Director (CoEB) and the other delegates from both the parties attended the signing ceremony and graced the occasion.

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