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Subject: Condolence letter- Dr. M.S. Swaminathan

Dear Dr. Soumya

It is with great sadness that we received the news of the demise of Dr. M.S. Swaminathan, Father of India's Green Revolution. On behalf of the BAIF family, I extend our heartfelt condolences to you and your family during this difficult time. Dr. Swaminathan's contributions as Vice Chairman of BAIF were invaluable, and his expertise in agriculture and technology greatly impacted our organization and the nation.

Dr. Swaminathan was closely associated with the Founder of BAIF, Late Dr. Manibhai Desai, and admired his approach towards rural development. On the request of Dr. Manibhai Desai, he expressed his willingness to join the Board of Trustees of BAIF. He joined the Board as a member in August 1988 and later as Vice Chairman of BAIF till March 2021.

During his association with BAIF, BAIF team was fortunate to receive his expertise for addressing food security of the rural and tribal families and application of science and technology interventions to improve their food and livelihood status. His groundbreaking work on scientific approach towards agriculture and effective use of innovative technologies helped BAIF to transform the agricultural landscape in its operational areas across the country. His mentoring of BAIF was instrumental in shaping BAIF into a unique organization of national and international repute.

The entire BAIF team mourns the demise of Dr. Swaminathan. May God give you and your family as well as MSSRF team the strength to bear this irreparable loss and may his soul rest in eternal peace.

In grief

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