

Dr. Soumya Swaminathan
Chairperson
M S Swaminathan Research Foundation

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Dear Dr. Swaminathan,

I would like to express our sincere and heartfelt condolences on behalf of IGES upon hearing the very sad news that Dr. Monkombu Sambasivan Swaminathan has passed away.

Dr. M S Swaminathan had been an Honorary Advisor to IGES until March 2022. During this long period, he had made a significant contribution to the development of IGES. Besides that, I had the opportunity to meet him in person and engage in a friendly conversation at the GIAHS International Forum in Nanao City, Ishikawa Prefecture, in May 2023.

I very much hope that IGES will make use of his excellent advice and further promote international contributions to sustainable development.

Please accept our deepest sympathy and convey our sincere condolences to you and your family at this sad and difficult time.

Sincerely yours,



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