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## Re: FOR PERUSAL Research & innovation for developing substitutes of multilayer packaging

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6 July 2020 at 17:31

To: foundationforcapp@gmail.com

Cc: "Dr. Neeraj Sharma" <neerajs@nic.in>

Dear Sir,

**Greetings from DST!** 

With reference to trailing mail, we appreciate your concern and suggestions regarding innovative substitutes for multi layer packaging. To apprise you of our R&D efforts, we are implementing Technology Development Programs in DST. Waste management is one component, wherein we have tried to look at agrowaste for potential conversion into some eco friendly packaging materials.

This is indeed a very useful area. We will prepare the background note and arrange a stakeholder consultation meeting to promote technology development in this area. In this regard, kindly share the reference material and your vision on alternative materials that can replace multilayer plastics and the global innovations/startegies to tackle this problem.

Look forward to a have more insights of your thought process in the area.

Best Regards Anita

From: foundationforcapp@gmail.com

To: "Prof Ashutosh Sharma" <dstsec@nic.in> Sent: Thursday, July 2, 2020 7:17:53 PM

Subject: Research & innovation for developing substitutes of multilayer packaging

Dear Professor Ashutosh Sharma ji,

Warm Greetings from Greater Noida!

2. Let me first introduce myself. I am Anoop Kumar Srivastava, a retired IAS officer of 1981 batch. I have been Secretary to the Govt. of India before retirement. Please recall our association when we both were

members of a Group of Secretaries constituted by the Hon'ble Prime Minister.

- 3. Just after my retirement in August 2018, I set up an NGO called "Foundation for Campaign Against Plastic Pollution", primarily to create general awareness about the harms of plastic pollution among the people and dissuade them from using single-use plastics. We have been running our campaign against plastic pollution since April, 2019. The Vision, Mission and Objectives of the Foundation & its membership may kindly be seen on our website at https://capp.org.in. I am its Founder-Director.
- 4. As you are aware most of foodstuff are packaged in multilayer packaging (MLP) for selling in the market. Plastic is the main ingredient of the MLP, which being non-recyclable and non-decomposable, is a major source of plastic pollution. These MLP packets are single-use plastics and are a big nuisance to the environment. We need inexpensive & eco-friendly alternative materials for packaging food items to replace MLP with a view to prevent and mitigate plastic pollution.
- 5. I am writing this email to request you to kindly promote research and innovation for developing inexpensive & eco-friendly alternative materials for packaging food items, so that we can meet one of the major challenges while tackling plastic pollution.
- 6. We shall highly appreciate a response indicating your views and action you propose to take in this regard.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Anoop Kumar Srivastava, IAS (Retd.)

former Secretary to the Govt. of India,

Now Founder-Director Foundation for Campaign Against Plastic Pollution Regd. office: 66. Greenwoods Society Phase 2 Sector Omega-1, Greater Noida - 201315 Stop Single-Use Plastics, Save Earth!

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