

## Subject: Heartfelt Condolences on the Loss of Dr. M. S. Swaminathan

Dear Dr. Soumya Swaminathan,

I was deeply saddened to learn about the passing of your esteemed father, Dr. M. S. Swaminathan. My heartfelt condolences go out to you and your family during this difficult time.

Dr. Swaminathan was an exceptional human being whose contributions to agriculture and the world at large were profound and far-reaching. His pioneering work in the field of agriculture and his dedication to improving the lives of countless individuals through sustainable farming and food security initiatives have left an indelible mark on our world.

Not only was he a visionary scientist and a luminary in his field, but he was also a compassionate and empathetic human being. His legacy will continue to inspire generations, and his absence will be deeply felt by the countless lives he touched.

As a Trustee, and then Advisor Emeritus, to the WFP Trust For India, he laid out a vision and path for the Trust to follow towards its aim of ending hunger and malnutrition in all its forms in India. I can confidently say that the time he invested with us has enriched our efforts in many ways to come.

During my interactions with Dr. Swaminathan, I was struck by his wisdom, humility, and unwavering commitment to making the world a better place. His influence extended beyond the realms of science, reaching into the hearts of those who had the privilege of knowing him.

As you navigate through this challenging time, please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. May you find solace in the memories of the wonderful times you shared with your father and in the profound impact he made on the world.

If there is anything I can do to offer support or assistance during this difficult period, please do not hesitate to reach out. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

With deepest sympathy,



Rita Sarin, Chairperson - WFP Trust For India; with:

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