

## MoU Signed between NDRI and Nestle India for Soft Skill Enhancement of ICAR-NDRI Students

ICAR-NDRI and Nestle India jointly conducted a unique skill enhancement programme for students of ICAR-National Dairy Research Institute (NDRI). The four day programme, 'N-REACH' was conducted in two phases of two days each i.e. from 12-13 July and 26-27 July, 2018. The four-day workshop focused on Leadership Development, Accountability and Ownership, Communication and Influencing, Interviewing Skills and Emotional Intelligence. The participating students were also given case studies as part of the program to put the learnings into practice. The winners of the case competition were felicitated and all students received certificates on completion of the program.



Dr. R. R. B. Singh, Director, ICAR-NDRI said that the main purpose of organizing such programme was to enhance the competitiveness of students besides their technical knowledge. He further added that N-REACH had been a fruitful experience for all the final year students and hoped that the relationship of the Institute with Nestlé India would continue to grow in future.

Speaking on the occasion, Mr. Suresh Narayanan, Chairman and Managing Director, Nestlé India said, "Nestlé India has a long history of associating with NDRI and has several of its alumni in senior management positions in the company. The talent that students at NDRI had to offer is very impressive." He stressed on the need of more such interactions between the Industry and the educational Institutes. Later, he gave a talk on Leadership Attributes for Success to the students and shared his experience. Dr. Latha Sabikhi, Head, Dairy Technology Division and Chairperson, Placement Cell at NDRI said that N-REACH was aimed at enabling the final year students pursuing Dairy Technology to be more prepared in terms of the challenges which they would likely to face daily on entering the professional world. The programme was specifically focused on soft skill enhancement of the students to bring them a step closer to success.



On this occasion, a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was also signed between ICAR-NDRI and Nestle India for providing such trainings to NDRI students.