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Arjun Munda inaugurates ASEAN-India Millet Festival at New Delhi

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Arjun Munda, Union Minister of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare and Tribal Affairs inaugurated the ASEAN-India Millet Festival in New Delhi. Ministers of States for Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare Kailash Choudhary and Shobha Karandlaje and Secretary, of the Department of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare, Shri Manoj Ahuja were also present at the occasion. In line with the International Year of Millets, the festival aims to increase awareness and establish a larger market for millet and millet-based products.

Addressing the delegates from India, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Thailand and Vietnam attending the festival, Arjun Munda, Union Minister highlighted the government policies and market innovations to promote the production and consumption of grains. Munda said that millet provides innumerable benefits to farmers, consumers and the environment and makes an important contribution to global food nutrition security. Highlighting the socio-economic, nutritional and climate benefits associated with its increased consumption, Munda stated that this program reflects the vibrancy of millets and its immense potential in transforming agriculture and nutrition.

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