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# HADSA provides end-to-end solutions for nutraceutical industry: Dr Vaibhav Kulkarni

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**Could you shed light on what HADSA is doing for the nutraceutical industry and its overarching aims? When was HADSA established?**

HADSA is about to complete its two-decade journey, initiated by our President, Ajit Singh. I joined this association around 10 years ago, captivated by its unique and comprehensive approach to the nutraceutical sector. Unlike many associations focused on regulatory issues, HADSA provides end-to-end solutions for the nutraceutical industry. We aim to assist members throughout their journey, addressing concerns ranging from business set-up and ingredient-related issues to regulatory matters. Once someone becomes a HADSA member, they become part of our family, and we cater to their entire spectrum of challenges.

**What policies and regulations has FSSAI set up for the nutraceutical industry?**

Nutraceuticals fall under the purview of food regulations, specifically notified in 2016. Over the years, these regulations have undergone several iterations to adapt to the industry's evolving landscape. So, yes, there are clear policies and guidelines in place that the nutraceutical industry must adhere to.

**How many members does HADSA currently have?**

HADSA has surpassed a membership count of 100, with a notable presence of major companies. Interestingly, 60 to 70 per cent of our members are ingredient suppliers for the finished formulations manufactured by nutraceutical companies. Our focus extends beyond large enterprises, as we are deeply committed to addressing the concerns of our nutraceutical members.

**Can you share how the VitaFoods India 2024 event in Mumbai benefited HADSA?**

VitaFoods and HADSA share a symbiotic relationship with aligned goals. VitaFoods serves as a platform that gathers specialized industry players with a focus on networking and business. For HADSA, it's an opportunity to showcase our significance to a broad audience. As industry players recognise HADSA's value, they naturally become part of our family. It's a mutually beneficial relationship - we grow as they grow, and vice versa. In conclusion, HADSA remains dedicated to providing holistic support to the nutraceutical industry, fostering growth, and building enduring partnerships."

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