MPEDA participates in SEAFEX FAIR in Dubai

SEAFEX, the seafood expo at Dubai World Trade Centre is the place to meet with a highly targeted audience, hotels, restaurants, catering buyers, wholesalers and distributors together with the import, export and processing industries from the fast growing Middle East region. It is the Middle East region’s biggest showcase and international trade fair for the seafood industry. It offered everything from fresh catch to the end consumer, cold storage, shipping and logistics solutions, etc. by international exhibitors. SEAFEX, organized by UAE on September 18-20, 2017 was powered by Gulffood.

Dr. Abdirahman M. Abdi Hashi, Minister of Fisheries and Marine Resources, Federal Government of Somalia, in discussion with the MPEDA Officials

Mr. G. Rajendran and Mr. S. X. Prince, Deputy Directors represented MPEDA in the fair.

The Indian pavilion provided an opportunity to showcase all major Indian seafood products procured from different parts of India. In the exhibition MPEDA displayed a variety of frozen/ready-to-eat items mainly Frozen Itoyori Surimi, Frozen Ribbon Fish, Frozen Pomfret Whole, Frozen HLSO Vannamei Block, Frozen Squid Rings Blanched IQF, Kashmiri Prawns Curry, Malabar Prawn Curry, Prawn Pulao, Prawns Biriyani, Canned Marine Products (Fish Tinned), Marine Maldivi fish, Marine Thalapath, Frozen Imitation Crab Claws, Frozen Grouper Whole, Frozen Snapper Whole, Frozen Red Snapper, Frozen Grouper, Frozen Parrot Fish, Frozen Sea Bream, etc.
Dubai has been an exporter of Indian fish and fish products. The total quantity of the exports during 2016-17 from India to Dubai was 24629 tons valued Rs. 103702 Lakh.

There were trade enquiries from 41 entities for various Indian Marine Products. A few of the visitors to MPEDA stall have shown interest to participate in the forthcoming India International Seafood Show at Goa.

Dr. Abdi Hashi, Minister of Fisheries, Somalia expressed his keen interest to follow the pattern of exports and want to know all about seafood industry and social welfare measures adopted in India and appreciated MPEDA for promoting seafood exports. He requested further guidance as he would like to implement a similar system in Somalia.

Seafood suppliers, buyers, major traded commodities including Fish, Molluscs, Crustaceans, Frozen, Fresh, Live, Canned shrimp, tuna, and salmon from international organizations of different countries exhibited new products to grow the business, including premium, luxury species. MPEDA stall has displayed and distributed different publicity literature, CD on exporters directory and product catalogue.

The enquiries were mainly for ready-to-eat items, shrimp, Sea Tiger, Canned items, Fish eggs, Vannamei, Black Tiger shrimp, King Fish, Red Snapper, Anchovy, Rohu, Pearl Spot, Fresh fishes, Grouper, Frozen/chilled/fresh fishes, Mackerel, Silver Pomfret, Tilapia, by-products, Mixed varieties, Dry fish and Crab steak, Lobster, rock lobster, squid, EU standard products, Reef cod, Crab: frozen/cooked/raw, Sardine, Prawn curry, Fish steak, Octopus, etc.

Dr. Abdi Rahman Mohamed Abdi Hashi, Minister for Fisheries and Marine Resources, Federal Government of Somalia has visited our stall and inquired in relation to the role played by MPEDA in Indian seafood industry.