

KEY THEMES

- Empowering Livelihoods: Socio-Economic Dependencies of Mahua
- From Forest to Market: Strengthening the Mahua Value Chain
- Policy Paradigm for successful Mahua Trade
- Ethnomedical Elixirs: Therapeutic Potential of Mahua
- Innovation: Modern Applications of Mahua



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“ National Mahua Conclave on
Empowering Communities and Enabling Growth:
Unlocking Prosperity through Mahua ”

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VENUE

Swarna Jayanti Sabhagaar
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Shahpura Lake, Bhopal (M.P.)

MINOR FOREST PRODUCE (T&D) CO-OPERATIVE FEDERATION LTD.

This pioneering conclave is being sponsored by the Madhya Pradesh State Minor Forest Produce (Trading & Development) Cooperative Federation Ltd. The federation has been incessantly supporting the forest dependent communities through collection, trade, processing, and value addition of Minor Forest Produce (MFPs) since the year 1984.

MFP Federation serves as the state-level apex body within a three-tier cooperative structure. At the village level, there are 1071 Primary Forest produce Co-operative Societies & at the district level, there are 60 District Forest Produce Co-operative Unions. The diligent and synergistic efforts of the Federation and its members have created additional income avenues for over 4.5 million people.

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ABOUT MAHUA

Mahua (*Madhuca longifolia* and *M. indica*) is a significant tree species found in tribal regions of India, offering diverse benefits to local livelihoods. Its edible parts like flowers and seeds are used to produce various food and non-food products like mahua oil, liquor, and candies.

Additionally, Mahua serves as a valuable medicinal plant in traditional Indian medicine. This versatile tree plays a vital role in tribal communities' economic well-being, providing income through product sales and employment opportunities, especially for women. Moreover, its unique flavor and nutritional content make it a promising ingredient in the food industry.



ABOUT THE CONCLAVE

Welcome to the National Mahua Conclave 2023 - an esteemed platform that brings together policymakers, industry experts, researchers, and community representatives to explore the transformative potential of Mahua.

Join us as we delve into the socio-economic impact, value chain, ethnomedical uses, and recent innovations of Mahua. Together, we will chart a sustainable way forward, fostering inclusive growth and community empowerment.

OBJECTIVE OF CONCLAVE

The objective of the Conclave is to foster comprehensive discussions and collaborative efforts among diverse stakeholders to explore the multifaceted dimensions of Mahua's socio-economic impact. The Conclave aims to chart a transformative path towards sustainable development, leveraging Mahua's potential as a catalyst for empowering communities and promoting inclusive growth for all.

EXPECTED OUTCOMES

- Roadmap for unlocking Mahua's potential for socio-economic development.
- Community empowerment through sustainable practices, skill development, and market access.
- Policy suggestions for supporting sustainable Mahua-related initiatives.
- Awareness generation to promote responsible consumption, management, and conservation.
- Trade opportunities through Buyer-Seller Meet.

