



**American Association of Food Scientists for the Indian
Sub-continent (AAFSIS)
Invites you to its
10th Annual Meeting and IFT Activities
June 11 –June 14, 2011 Morial Convention Center, New Orleans, LA**

American Association of Food Scientists for the Indian Sub-continent (**AAFSIS**) cordially invites you to its 10th Annual Meeting and Re-union and the symposium organized in conjunction with the IFT at 2011 IFT Annual Meetings. In addition, AAFSIS is organizing a student poster competition jointly with IFT for the first time.

AAFSIS has been playing an active role in participating and organizing symposia and panel discussions during IFT meetings on topics related to AAFSIS objectives that have long-term benefits to the Food industry in the US as well as other countries. AAFSIS has been growing steadily for the past 10 years. Just like any organization, these are the formative years and the efforts put in by everyone in the past years have paid dividends. AAFSIS is now, a **Not-for-profit organization** in the USA under section 501 C (3) of Internal Revenue code, providing the visible authenticity and the platform for further growth. For the first time, we are also embarking on a joint program with IFT in organizing a student poster competition.

The momentum we have built needs to sustain and grow in order to make AAFSIS a truly professional organization of Food industry personnel and academia that cares about topics relevant to the Indian subcontinent, which in fact is very much relevant to emerging nations vying to play a role in the global platform. We invite you to be a part of this exciting journey by leading as well as participating in all AAFSIS initiatives.

AAFSIS – PROGRAM at IFT 2011

1. **Saturday, June 11, 2011 at 1.00 PM - AAFSIS- IFT Student Poster Competition. Six finalists will participate in the competition for three places.** Please join, visit the poster presenters and encourage the participation

2. **Sunday, June 12, 2011 - 1.30 PM – 3.00 PM (Room 287) Symposium on “Innovations in food product quality, ingredients, processing, and safety in the Indian subcontinent” –** Moderated by Ravin Gnanasambandam, Land O Lakes, Inc., and Dr. Navam Hettiarachchy, Univ of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR. Presenters include Dr. B. K. Girdhar, OSI Industries, Aurora, IL, Dr. Syed S. Rizvi, Cornell Univ., Ithaca, NY, Sushama Srikandath, AVT McCormick Ingredients, Aluva, India, and Dr. Pratik Banerjee, Alabama A&M University, Normal, AL.

This year AAFSIS business meeting and re-union/banquet will take place at **the IFT Convention Center (Room 338-339) on Monday, June 13, 2011 from 4.30 PM to 6.30 PM.** The agenda for the meeting will include AAFSIS update, Election of Officers, Recognition of Poster competition award winners, and future projects.

The banquet tickets are at \$ 25 per person (\$ 15 with Student ID). Limited Seating available. Kindly RSVP by emailing to one of the following: rgnan@landolakes.com; vishnu79@gmail.com; Jayant.Kamicheril@kemin.com or Vishal.Jain@effem.com