

India, Brazil can boost global food security: Shivraj Singh Chouhan

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Agriculture Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan on Wednesday said that joint efforts of India and Brazil could play an important role in strengthening global food security.

During a meeting with 27 members of Brazil's agribusiness community in Sao Paulo, Chouhan praised the widespread use of machinery in Brazilian agriculture, particularly in cotton and soybean harvesting, and expressed hope for cooperation in these areas, according to an official statement.

The minister discussed possibilities for promoting agricultural trade between the two countries, exchanging improved production techniques, adopting advanced food processing methods and cooperating on biofuel production, technological innovation and supply chain integration.

The President of the Brazilian Chamber of Commerce noted that while India-Brazil agricultural trade currently amounts to USD 2-3 billion, it has the potential to reach USD 15-20 billion. Brazil mainly exports fertilisers, soybeans, food crops, sugar, meat and vegetables to India.

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Chouhan invited Brazil's agricultural community to visit India, saying this would provide an opportunity to further enhance mutual experiences and strengthen technical partnerships.

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