

**Student from College of Food Processing Technology and Bioenergy of Anand Agricultural University received prestigious INSPIRE Fellowship Department of Science and Technology, Government of India**

This is to inform that **Aastha Sharma**, currently enrolled as a Ph.D. Research Scholar at the College of Food Processing Technology and Bio-Energy, Anand Agricultural University, Anand, was selected for the prestigious **DST-INSPIRE Fellowship** offered by the Department of Science and Technology, Government of India. She secured an All-India Rank 17<sup>th</sup> in the ICAR- AICE and was subsequently awarded the **ICAR JRF/SRF fellowship** in recognition of her academic merit and research potential. Further advancing in her research career, she submitted the project proposal focusing on the topic **“Harnessing Advanced Novel Technologies for the Development and Optimization of Browntop Millet-Based Meat Analogues”** under the guidance of **Dr. Hridyesh Pandey** which was selected for **DST-INSPIRE Fellowship**.

Her research integrates cutting-edge processing techniques for development of sustainable, plant-based ingredients to develop next-generation meat alternatives. This work will contribute towards healthier diets solution for vegetarians along with environmentally sustainable food fulfilling the **Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 3** (Good Health and Wellness) and **12** (Responsible Consumption and Production) of United Nations.