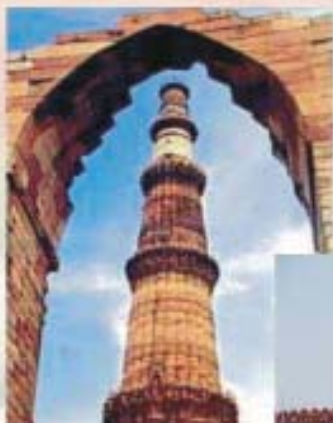




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Concluding remarks

Food safety is a key priority around the world

Food borne illness figures (were available) show that the situation needs to be improved

There are many different issues

- Basic hygiene, variable food chain control
- (Emerging) pathogens, Chemical hazards
- Food service, farmers, SMEs represent a challenge, etc

Where to start? What is highest priority?

Concluding remarks

Improving food safety management is a multi-stakeholder responsibility

- Government,
- Academia,
- Industry,
- Consumers,
- etc

Concluding remarks

Stakeholders benefit from collaborating on food safety

- Share knowledge, built skills
- Share learnings, experience
- Develop new, tailored ideas
- While saving resources

Concluding remarks

Improving food safety situation is a complex challenge

- Infrastructure (public / private)
- Regulations / incentives
- Systems & processes (e.g. surveillance; recall; tracing / tracking)
- People (skills, capacities), Mindset

Collaboration through national/regional and international initiatives may help to deal with this challenge

Concluding remarks

International initiatives, e.g.

- Codex, FAO, WHO (standards, guidelines, systems)
- ILSI (authorative scientific publications)
- ICMSF (authorative practical, technical publications)
- Many others

National/regional initiatives, e.g.

- European Food Safety Authority & European Commission
- Indian Food Safety and Standards Agency
- etc

Concluding remarks

Next steps.

- Presentations will be posted on websites
- ICMSF annual meeting: strategy for the future includes engaging with India
- Follow-up ILSI-India and ICMSF meeting spring 2009
- Closer collaboration of Indian experts with ICMSF
 - Commission level
 - Sub-commission level