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IIMSAM highlights the role of Spirulina to reduce poverty and secure Human Rights at the 9th World Human Rights Congress in New Delhi, India



Ambassador Mr. Manish Uprety addressing the 9th World Human Rights Congress on the Human Rights Day at New Delhi India



Ambassador Mr. Manish Uprety with Ambassador Mr. Carlos Alberto Yrigoyen Forno of the Republic of Peru

[UN Headquarters, New York, 14th December 2007] On the occasion of World Human Rights Day, the IIMSAM made a representation at the 9th World Human Rights Congress at New Delhi through its Ambassador H.E Mr. Manish Uprety, Resident Representative to the Republic of India who emphasised on the relevance of Spirulina in the context of securing Human Rights and reducing poverty. The theme for the event was *Human Rights for Poverty Reduction* and it saw the participation of Shri Neiphiu Rio, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Nagaland as chief guest; H.E. Mr. Rouf Chatty, Ambassador of Tunisia; H.E. Dr. Ahmed Salem Al-Wahishi; Ambassador of League of Arab States Mission; H.E. Amb Dr. Wafik Z. Kamil, Secretary General, Asian African Legal Consultative Organisation; H.E. Mr. Miguel Angel Ramirez Ramos, Ambassador of Cuba; H.E. Mr. David Malone, Ambassador of Canada; H.E. Mr. Siyavash Zargar Yaghoubi, Ambassador of Iran; H.E. Mr. Marten N. Kapewasha, High Commissioner of Namibia; H.E. Dr. Tamaren Karayev, Ambassador of Azerbaijan; H.E. Mrs. Gennet Zewdie, Ambassador of Ethiopia; H.E. Mr. Alberto Jose Pinzon Mata, Ambassador of Panama; H.E. Mr. Jairam Ronald Gajraj, The High Commissioner of Guyana; H.E. Mr. Ernesto Carlos Alvarez, Ambassador of Argentina; H.E. Mr. Larbi Moukharig, Ambassador of Morocco; H.E. Mr. Khaled Salman, Ambassador of Lebanon; H.E. Mr. Carlos Alberto Yrigoyen Forno, Ambassador of Peru; Mr. Gabriele Annis, First Secretary (Political & Consular), Embassy of Italy; and Ms. Shireen Singh, Political Specialist, Embassy of the United States of America along with the representatives of various international agencies and the civil society that expressed solidarity for a common cause.

H.E. Remigio Maradona, Director General, IIMSAM stated- Malnutrition has to be countered on a priority basis by the international community for securing Human Rights and the UN MDG's. The diplomatic activism of Ambassador Manish Uprety from various important platforms such as the World Human Rights Congress is much commendable as it sensitizes the international community to the mandate of the IIMSAM and the relevance of Spirulina to be a key-driver to achieve global food security and bridge the health divide- the primary focus areas to be addressed to eradicate poverty and fulfill basic needs especially in the Developing and the Least Developed Countries.