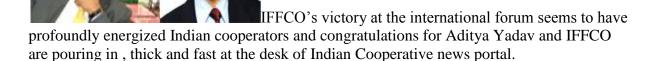


Cooperators are jubilant at Aditya's victory

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Cooperators from Delhi to Dibrugarh are excited and feel that India got its due at last at the International Cooperative Alliance (ICA).

While Chandra Pal Singh, President of NCUI was untraceable due to net-work problem, his unflinching support to the IFFCO candidate had earlier been prominently mentioned in these columns.

Bijender Singh, Chairman of NAFSCOB and a veteran cooperator sees it as a combined victory for Chandra Pal Singh and Dr US Awasthi. "Chandra Palji and Awasthiji are the real heroes of this victory", he said talking to Indian Cooperative. It is a victory of all Indian cooperators, he added.

In a SMS sent to Indian Cooperative R S Sodhi, Managing Director of the world-famed GCMMF (AMUL) said "This is a big achievement. On the world cooperative map India has big coops like IFFCO and AMUL that are doing big business and are successful in getting a considerable slice of market share.

Incidentally, Sodhi will speak in two sessions at the ongoing ICA Summit at Quebec. The other speaker from India is IFFCO MD Dr U S Awasthi.

Cooperators of different sectors have expressed their happiness at the Indian victory at the ICA. Sanjiv Kushalkar, Chairman of the apex labour cooperative federation NLCF said "Great, it encourages us no end.

Prakash Lonare, Chairman of Fishcopfed said that the strength of the Indian cooperative movement cannot be underrated. B K Mishra, MD of Fishcopfed lost no time in congratulating Aditya by expressing his happiness in the comment box of the lead story.