



**Webinar on**

# Nutritional Landscape of India

**25 June 2021, 4:00 – 5:00 pm**

## Keynote Speaker



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## India's School Feeding Programme (MDMP) Global & Policy Landscape

The talk will cover Akshaya Patra Foundation's 20-year journey acting as a 'Food Safety Net' contributing to food and nutrition security through its endeavours beyond the school feeding programme by leveraging existing operational assets for public feeding, relief feeding and other community welfare activities.

## Panel Discussion



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# India's School Feeding Programme (MDMP) Global & Policy Landscape

## Abstract

In this webinar, Shridhar Venkat shall share the Akshaya Patra Foundation's 20-year journey acting as a 'Food Safety Net' contributing to food and nutrition security through its endeavours beyond the school feeding programme by leveraging existing operational assets for public feeding, relief feeding and other community welfare activities. He shall discuss the various feeding initiatives as the foundation proactively supports the Government's relief efforts during disasters and emergencies through community feeding and mobilisation of resources. He shall also talk about— How the foundation is working towards 'Zero Hunger?'

Shridhar shall speak on the foundation's support to the Government of India's efforts to achieve the objectives of the national school feeding programme (SFP) and the Mid-Day Meal (MDM) Scheme that illustrate the role of education and schools in the long term development of the country. He shall also define the key role of the foundation as an implementing partner of the Government's flagship school feeding programme, running the world's largest (NGO-run) school feeding programme serving over 1.8 million children in 13 states and one union territory (UT) every school day.