The new "Indian Food Composition Tables- 2017", the long-awaited data of 586 varieties of Indian foods and their nutritive values, was released by the Hon'ble Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare, Shri J.P. Nadda at New Delhi on Wednesday. Shri. Faggan Singh Kulasthe, Hon'ble Union Minster of State for Health and Family Welfare was the Guest of Honour. This is followed by an International Symposium on "Food Composition in Nutrition and Health" to mark the release of this book.

Dr. Soumya Swaminathan, Secretary, Department of Health Research & Director General, Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) welcomed the gathering while Shri T. Longvah, Director Incharge, National Institute of Nutrition (NIN), Hyderabad and Principal Investigator of this project presided over the function.

Shri. Trilochan Mahapatra, Secretary, Dept. of Agriculture Research and Extension & D.G, ICAR; Shri J.P. Meena, Special Secretary, Ministry of Food Processing Industries; Shri. Ashish Bahuguna, Chairman, Food Safety Standards Authority of India (FSSAI), Shri Hameed Nuru, Country Director, World Food Programme (WFP), Dr. Ruth Charrondiere, Food & Agricultural Organization (FAO) also spoke on the occasion. The function concluded with the Vote of Thanks by Dr. G. S. Toteja, Head Nutrition, ICMR.