

## **Food Testing Laboratory of JAU got international level - NABL accreditation for evaluating quality parameters of export standards for foods**

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The food testing laboratory (FTL) at Junagadh Agricultural University (JAU), Junagadh (Gujarat) is a joint venture of JAU, Ministry of Food Processing industries (New Delhi), ICAR (New Delhi) and Gujarat Agro industries corporation (Gandhinagar). This laboratory is the first of its kind providing professional interface to public and private sectors.

Recently, the laboratory has obtained NABL accreditation for some food quality parameters. The analysis of agricultural products carried out by this NABL accredited lab (FTL) will be accepted internationally with the standard ISO/IEC 17025:2005. With respect to due application, progressive farmers, traders, industrialist and other agricultural related communities of this region will be benefitted to analyze their Agri/Food products in NABL accredited FTL before selling in market or for the exports. Thereby, beneficiaries may get opportunity for higher price of their agricultural products.

The analysis report of quality parameters remains valid for the scope of accreditation subject to continual satisfactory complies to the standard ISO/IEC 17025:2005.