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Professional Bio

Yogeshwari is an international trade policy professional with extensive experience in WTO agriculture negotiations and multilateral trade policy with more than 2 years of experience. She holds an M.Sc. in Agribusiness Economics from the Gokhale Institute of Politics & Economics and a B.A. (Hons.) in Economics from SNDT University Pune. She began her professional career in the Trade negotiations multilateral (TNM) – Agriculture of the Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, where she worked as a Young Professional in 2023.

In her current role, Yogeshwari has worked extensively on India's notifications to the WTO particularly the Domestic support notification for year 2023-24 and 2024-25. Her working areas include WTO agriculture negotiations, with particular focus on Public Stockholding for food security, domestic support disciplines, SSM, export competition, Special and Differential Treatment and transparency issues, providing technical, analytical, and strategic support to India's negotiating team.

She has prepared questions, interventions, briefing notes, and analytical inputs for India's participation in the WTO Committee on Agriculture and other WTO forums, and has undertaken detailed analysis of Members' submissions, notifications and negotiating proposals. Her work combines rigorous economic analysis with legal and policy evaluation to develop evidence-based recommendations for multilateral, regional, and bilateral trade negotiations. She has also contributed to India's engagement in other international forums such as the G20, BRICS, SCO, and IBSA by providing strategic policy advice and technical support. Yogeshwari has contributed to India's 8th WTO Trade Policy Review and to preparations for the thirteenth (MC13) and Fourteenth WTO Ministerial Conference (MC14), and several COA Sessions of the WTO.

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