

Flavor Curry with Canadian Bacon

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â I am honored,â McMurthy was thankful for the unexpected honor bestowed on him by his visiting cousin. The last time he visited Canada was when Pierre Trudeau was Prime Minister 30 years ago.

â Decades ago when your team discovered subtle effects of greenhouses gases on climate change on Arctic you should have raised hell rather than writing research papers quietly,â complained Juggernaut.

â Well, we scientists need proof, lots of it before we make any strong public pronouncements,â McMurthy was sincere.

â Well, you know what happened to housing market in the United States, when prominent economists failed to alarm the public on sub-prime lending practices in time,â Juggernaut tried to compare the current catastrophic climate changes with collapse of housing market in the United States.

â True, we should have been more aggressive in educating the people on the perils of pumping excessive greenhouse gases into the atmosphere from burning too much fossil fuel,â McMurthy was apologetic now.

â How you all survived on Arctic for weeks while conducting research?â

â Besides other measures, we chewed on Canadian bacon all the time,â

â You mean, like chew tobacco.â

â Yes, but we donâ t spit it out like in chew tobacco, instead we swallow the warm and greasy, flavored saliva.â

â Thatâ s gross.â

â Not if you are living in a shack on a glacier for weeks.â

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“The fat from the bacon would keep you warm and the flavor rich bacon is like paan massala for an Indian like you,” Juggernaut concluded.

“For crying out loud, you should have thrown a piece of Canadian bacon in Sambar (spicy stew made with split pea paste and various vegetables) you made for lunch,” shouted Juggernaut.

“Add bacon to Sambar?”

“Yes, bacon will add a twist to the curry flavor of Sambar and bacon fat provides mouth feel, the Sambar stew lacks. Besides, people relish chewing a strip of bacon well after eating Sambar rice, like chewing a stick of Moringa tree drumstick vegetable boiled in Sambar.”

“You Americans are creative when it comes to good eating,” complimented McMurthy.

“We Americans, some of us may be obese, in my own case, lot of belly fat, but we are always creative,” Juggernaut rubbed his fat belly with his palm in a circular motion in clockwise direction.

“Cooking Sambar with a piece of Canadian bacon would be a new beginning in Indian culinary art,” noted McMurthy and made some handwritten notes hoping to do research on the benefits of adding Canadian bacon in Indian cooking, a second career he is looking forward once he retires at the end of the year after a long service.

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