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**International Conference on Adaptation to Climate Variability and Change:  
Towards a Strategic Approach**

**7 – 8 December 2006**

**New Delhi, India**

Thursday, 7 Dec 2006	
0800 - 0900	Registration
<b>Session 1</b>	<p><b>Inaugural Session</b> Introduction: Mr. Bilal H. Rahill, Lead Environmental Specialist, World Bank Chair and Convenor: Dr R. K. Pachauri, D.G. TERI and Chairman IPCC</p>
0900 - 1000	<p><b>Welcome Address</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms. Soledad Blanco, Director International Affairs, European Commission (Directorate General for Environment)</li> <li>• Mr. Rachid Benmessaoud, Acting Director, World Bank</li> <li>• Dr. Susanna Moorehead, Head, DfID-India</li> </ul> <p><b>Inaugural Address</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shri. Namo Narain Meena, Minister of State, Ministry of Environment and Forests</li> </ul> <p><b>Keynote Address</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Justin Mundy, Senior Advisor to the UK Govt.</li> </ul> <p>Vote of Thanks: Ms. Priti Kumar, Environmental Specialist, World Bank</p>

1000 – 1030	Tea / Coffee
<b>Session 2</b>	<b>Plenary: Adaptation and Sustainable Development</b> Introduction: Mr. David Radcliffe, Senior Rural Livelihoods and Environment Adviser, DfID Chair and Convenor: Dr. P. Ghosh, Secretary, MoEF
1030 - 1200	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Jürgen Lefevere, European Commission <i>“European Perspective”</i></li> <li>• Dr. R.K. Pachauri, TERI <i>“Indian Perspective: Sectoral Challenges and Opportunities”</i></li> <li>• Mr. Bilal H. Rahill, World Bank <i>“Development Challenges of Climate Variability and Change”</i></li> <li>• Mr. S. Parthasarthy, (Retd.) Ministry of Water Resources, Govt. of India <i>“Challenges in Watershed Management in India, particularly in Rainfed Areas”</i></li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Questions and Answers</i></p>
1200 – 1230	<b>Press conference</b> Chair and Convenor: Dr. P. Ghosh, MoEF <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Dr. R.K. Pachauri, TERI</li> <li>○ Ms. Soledad Blanco, European Commission</li> <li>○ Mr. Jürgen Lefevere, European Commission</li> <li>○ Mr. Bilal H. Rahill, World Bank</li> <li>○ Mr. Justin Mundy, Senior Advisor to the UK Govt.</li> <li>○ Dr. Susanna Moorehead, DfID</li> <li>○ Dr. Rolf Sülzer, Country Director, GTZ</li> <li>○ Mr. Francois E. Binder, Country Director, SDC India</li> </ul>
1200 - 1330	Lunch
<b>Session 3</b>	<b>Parallel Sessions: Climate Risks and Impacts Assessment</b>
<b>Session 3A</b>  1330 - 1530	<b>Climate Risk Assessment: Emerging Approaches and Tools</b> Introduction: Dr. K. R. Vishwanathan, Programme Officer, SDC Chair and Convenor: Dr. Ian Noble, World Bank <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Ian Noble, World Bank <i>“Initial Screening for Climate Risks”</i></li> <li>• Dr. Satya Priya, RMSI Pvt. Ltd. <i>“Climate Risk Assessment for Select River Basins of India: An Integrated Model Approach”</i></li> <li>• Dr. Krishna Kumar, IITM <i>“New Developments in Regional Climate Modeling”</i></li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prof. Wolfgang Cramer, Potsdam Climate Institute <i>“Climate Impact assessment and modeling – global hot spots and vulnerability”</i></li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Panel discussion (30 minutes)</i></p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Mr. Othmar Schawnk, INFRAS</li> <li>○ Prof. Santosh Kumar, National Institute of Disaster Management</li> </ul>
<p><b>Session 3B</b></p> <p>1330 - 1530</p>	<p><b>Sectoral Impacts: Policy and Economic Implications</b> Introduction: Ms. Pamposh Bhatt, Head CDM-India, GTZ <i>Chair and Convenor:</i> Dr. Adrian Butt, DEFRA, UK</p> <p><u>Impacts on Agriculture:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Tim Wheeler, Dept. of Agriculture, Reading University <i>“Climate Change and Crop Productivity: Vulnerability and Adaptation”</i></li> <li>• Dr. P.K. Agarwal, IARI <i>“Climate change impacts on Indian agriculture”</i></li> </ul> <p><u>Impacts on Water Resources:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. A.K. Gosain, IITD <i>“Climate change impacts on water resources in India”</i></li> <li>• Dr. Fulco Ludwig, Programme Officer, UNESCO Cooperative Programme on water and climate</li> </ul> <p><u>Impacts on Human Health:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tanja Wolf, World Health Organisation <i>“Climate change impacts on human health”</i></li> <li>• Mr. Alexander Hildebrand, Regional Adviser, WHO Regional Office of S.E. Asia</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Questions and Answers</i></p>
1530 – 1600	Tea / Coffee
<p><b>Session 4</b></p>	<p><b>Plenary: Adaptation Strategies - Emerging Approaches</b> Introduction: Lynn Sheppard, Policy Officer (International Climate Change Negotiations), European Commission <i>Chair and Convenor:</i> Mr. Aurobindo Behera, Principal Secretary, Water Resources Department, Govt. of Orissa <i>Co-Chair:</i> Mr. Othmar Schawnk, INFRAS</p>
1600 – 1730	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms. Suruchi Bhadwal, TERI</li> </ul>

	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>“Vulnerability and Adaptation Assessments in Drought and Flood Affected Areas – Case studies in AP, Maharashtra and Orissa”</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Marcus Moench, ISET <i>“Adaptive Capacity and Livelihood Resilience”</i></li> <li>• Dr. A. A. Nambi, MSSRF <i>“Case Studies from AP and Rajasthan”</i></li> <li>• Mr. A. Ravindra, WASSAN <i>“Adaptation Pilot Program”</i></li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Panel discussion</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Erik Haites, BASIC Project</li> <li>• Dr. Subodh Sharma, MoEF</li> <li>• Ms. Rupa Mukarjee , Delegate India, Inter Cooperation</li> </ul>
<b>1800</b>	<b>Joint Reception and Cocktail for participants in the Adaptation Conference, Waste Forum and projects exhibition, hosted by the European Commission</b>

<b>Friday, 8 December 2006</b>	
<b>Session 5</b>	<p><b>Plenary: Mainstreaming Adaptation: Policy Issues and Options</b> Introduction: Dr. Lorenz Petersen, Head, Climate Protection Program, GTZ <i>Chair and Convenor:</i> Mr. Bilal H. Rahill, Lead Environmental Specialist, World Bank</p>
0930 -1100	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. P. Ghosh, Secretary, Ministry of Environment and Forests <i>“Government of India Strategic Vision for Adaptation”</i></li> <li>• Dr. K. Vatsa, Secretary, Rural Development, Govt. of Maharashtra <i>“State-Level Responses and Planning for Drought and Flood”</i></li> <li>• Dr. Adrian Butt, DEFRA <i>“The UK Adaptation Policy Framework”</i></li> <li>• Prof. Lennart Olsson, Director, Lund University Centre for Sustainability Studies <i>“Adaptation and Mitigation in Europe (ADAM Project)”</i></li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Questions and Answers</i></p>
1100 -1130	Tea / Coffee

<b>Session 6</b>	<p><b>Roundtable Discussion: Strengthening Global Cooperation on Adaptation</b>  Introduction: Mr. Bilal H. Rahill, Lead Environmental Specialist, World Bank  <i>Chair and Convenor:</i> Dr. P. Ghosh, Secretary, MoEF  <i>Co-Chair:</i> Dr. Benito Müller, Oxford Institute for Energy Studies</p>
1130 -1300	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Francois E. Binder, Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation</li> <li>• Dr. Lorenz Petersen, GTZ</li> <li>• Mr. David Radcliffe, DfID</li> <li>• Dr. Ian Noble, World Bank</li> <li>• Dr. Erik Haites, BASIC Project</li> </ul> <p><i>Discussant: Mr. R.K. Sethi, Director, MoEF</i></p>
1300-1430	Lunch
<b>Session 7</b>	<b>Parallel Session: Activities and Programs</b>
<p>Session 7A</p> <p>1430 – 1730</p>	<p><b>EU-India Cooperation on climate change and adaptation policies: Research and Policy Activities on Adaptation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Future research and policy development needs for adaptation to climate change in India – Dr. Subodh Sharma, MoEF</li> <li>• The 7th Research Framework Programme of the European Commission – Ms. Marta Moren Abat, DG Research, European Commission</li> <li>• UK - India Project on Adaptation – Mr. Matt Coyne, Defra, UK</li> <li>• BASIC Project – Dr. Sumana Bhattacharya, Winrock International India</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Questions and answers</i></p>
	<p><b>Discussion</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• From research to policy for planning adaptation and consideration of new opportunities for EU-India partnership</li> <li>• Expectations from the 5 year work programme under SBSTA</li> </ul> <p>Chair: Mr. Jürgen Lefevere, European Commission  <i>Panelists</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Adrian Butt, Defra</li> <li>• Mr. David Radcliffe, DfID</li> <li>• Ms. Pamposh Bhatt, GTZ</li> </ul>

<p>Session 7B</p> <p>1430-1730</p>	<p><b>Roundtable Discussion: State-Level Dialogue on Adaptation Issues and Options – The Way Forward</b></p> <p>Introduction: Ms. Kadambari Anantram, TERI Chair and Convenor: Ms. Priti Kumar, World Bank Co-Chair: Dr. A.J. James, Pragmatix Ltd.</p> <p>Participants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Andhra Pradesh</li><li>• Gujarat</li><li>• Maharashtra</li><li>• Orissa</li><li>• Rajasthan</li><li>• Madhya Pradesh</li><li>• Tamil Nadu</li></ul> <p><i>Discussant: Dr. N.R. Jagannath, SDC</i></p>
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