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7 – 8 December 2006

New Delhi, India

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

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

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

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

Friday, 8 December 2006	
Session 5	Plenary: Mainstreaming Adaptation: Policy Issues and Options Introduction: Dr. Lorenz Petersen, Head, Climate Protection Program, GTZ <i>Chair and Convenor:</i> Mr. Bilal H. Rahill, Lead Environmental Specialist, World Bank
0930 -1100	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. P. Ghosh, Secretary, Ministry of Environment and Forests <i>“Government of India Strategic Vision for Adaptation”</i> • Dr. K. Vatsa, Secretary, Rural Development, Govt. of Maharashtra <i>“State-Level Responses and Planning for Drought and Flood”</i> • Dr. Adrian Butt, DEFRA <i>“The UK Adaptation Policy Framework”</i> • Prof. Lennart Olsson, Director, Lund University Centre for Sustainability Studies <i>“Adaptation and Mitigation in Europe (ADAM Project)”</i> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Questions and Answers</i></p>
1100 -1130	Tea / Coffee
Session 6	Roundtable Discussion: Strengthening Global Cooperation on Adaptation Introduction: Mr. Bilal H. Rahill, Lead Environmental Specialist, World Bank

	<p>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"> • Mr. Francois E. Binder, Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation • Dr. Lorenz Petersen, GTZ • Mr. David Radcliffe, DfID • Dr. Ian Noble, World Bank • Dr. Erik Haites, BASIC Project <p><i>Discussant:</i> Mr. R.K. Sethi, Director, MoEF</p>
1300-1430	Lunch
Session 7	Parallel Session: Activities and Programs
Session 7A 1430 – 1730	<p>EU-India Cooperation on climate change and adaptation policies: Research and Policy Activities on Adaptation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Future research and policy development needs for adaptation to climate change in India – Dr. Subodh Sharma, MoEF • The 7th Research Framework Programme of the European Commission – Ms. Marta Moren Abat, DG Research, European Commission • UK - India Project on Adaptation – Mr. Matt Coyne, Defra, UK • BASIC Project – Dr. Sumana Bhattacharya, Winrock International India <p><i>Questions and answers</i></p>
	<p>Discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • From research to policy for planning adaptation and consideration of new opportunities for EU-India partnership • Expectations from the 5 year work programme under SBSTA <p>Chair: Mr. Jürgen Lefevere, European Commission <i>Panelists</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Adrian Butt, Defra • Mr. David Radcliffe, DfID • Ms. Pamposh Bhatt, GTZ
Session 7B	<p>Roundtable Discussion: State-Level Dialogue on Adaptation Issues and Options – The Way Forward Introduction: Ms. Kadambari Anantram, TERI Chair and Convenor: Ms. Priti Kumar, World Bank</p>

1430-1730	<p>Co-Chair: Dr. A.J. James, Pragmatix Ltd.</p> <p>Participants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Andhra Pradesh• Gujarat• Maharashtra• Orissa• Rajasthan• Madhya Pradesh• Tamil Nadu <p><i>Discussant: Dr. N.R. Jagannath, SDC</i></p>
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