

SOUTH ASIAN SEAS PROGRAMME

4TH INTERGOVERNMENTAL MINISTERIAL MEETING OF THE SOUTH ASIAN SEAS PROGRAMME (SASP)

JAIPUR, INDIA

22ND MAY 2008

DRAFT ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. OPENING OF THE MEETING

It is expected that a High Ranking Dignitary from the Government of India will inaugurate the Meeting.

2. ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS & COUNTRY STATEMENTS

As agreed at the Meeting of Plenipotentiaries of the South Asian Seas Programme in March 1995 and as laid down in the South Asian Seas Action Plan, the Rules of Procedure of the Governing Council of SACEP will be applied *mutatis mutandis* for the conduct of the Inter Ministerial Meeting (IMM) of SAS. Accordingly, a new Chairman will be elected in a manner consistent with the Articles of Association of SACEP. One or more Vice Chairman, a Rapporteur and other officials may also be appointed by the IMM. The Director General of SACEP shall function as the Secretary of the IMM during its sessions. The Heads of Member of Country Delegations will then be expected to present their Country Statements.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA AND ORGANISATION OF WORK

The Meeting will consider the Provisional Agenda for adoption. Any matter regarding the Organisation of Work and the Sessions may also be considered.

4. STATEMENTS BY UNITED NATIONS AGENCIES, INTERNATIONAL / REGIONAL ORGANISATIONS AND AID CONSORTIA

Under this Agenda Item, the representatives of United Nations Agencies, International / Regional Organisations and Aid Consortia may wish to make Statements on matters relating to the activities of their respective Organisations which may be of interest to the Intergovernmental Meeting of Ministers regarding the Programme activities of interest to South Asian Seas Region, inputs to the activities and programmes of South Asian Seas Programme in terms of collaboration and programme support, and such matters which they may wish to bring to the notice of the Intergovernmental Meeting of Ministers

5. PRESENTATION OF REPORT OF THE PREPARATORY MEETING OF NATIONAL FOCAL POINTS BY THE RAPPORTEUR

The Rapporteur would present to the meeting the report of the Preparatory Meeting of National Focal Points

6. ENDORSEMENT OF RECOMMENDATIONS AGREED UPON AT THE PREPARATORY MEETING OF NATIONAL FOCAL POINTS

The Preparatory Meeting of National Focal Points in its deliberations came up with the set of recommendations under the following broad areas

- a) Institutional
- b) Projects & Programmes
- c) Financial

This Meeting is requested to consider these recommendations and endorse the recommendations.

7. APPROVAL OF THE ANNUAL AUDITED REPORT OF ACCOUNTS FOR YEARS 2005, 2006

Under this agenda item, based on the recommendations of the Preparatory Meeting of National Focal Points, the meeting is requested approve the Annual Audited Report of Accounts for the years 2005 & 2006.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Under this Agenda Item, The Fourth Intergovernmental Ministerial Meeting may wish to discuss any other relevant matters that may be raised by the representatives participating at the Meeting or by the Secretariat.

9. ADOPTION OF REPORT

The Rapporteur will present the Draft Report of the Intergovernmental Meeting of Ministers for its consideration and adoption.

10. CLOSURE OF MEETING

Any representative participating in the Meeting may wish to make concluding statements regarding the deliberations at the Meeting and its achievements. The Chairman will finally declare the Meeting closed.