

## **SOUTH ASIAN SEAS PROGRAMME**

**PREPARATORY MEETING OF NATIONAL FOCAL POINTS FOR  
4<sup>TH</sup> INTERGOVERNMENTAL MINISTERIAL MEETING OF THE SASP  
JAIPUR, INDIA  
21<sup>ST</sup> MAY 2008**

### **DRAFT ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

#### **1. OPENING OF THE MEETING**

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

#### **2. ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS**

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. In accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the Intergovernmental Meeting of Ministers, a Chairman will be elected. One or more Vice Chairman, a Rapporteur and other officials may also be appointed by the Meeting. The Director General of SACEP shall function as the Secretary of the Meeting during its sessions.

#### **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. INSTITUTIONAL MATTERS**

Under this Agenda Item, the SAS Secretariat will present an overall report (SAS/ NFP / IMM 4 / IM 1) on the institutional matters of the Secretariat since the 3<sup>rd</sup> IMM.

#### **5. PROGRAMME MATTERS**

Under this Agenda Item, there would be deliberations based on the following working papers prepared by the Secretariat:

##### **a) Status Report of Programme Activities for 2005 – 2008 (WP 1)**

- (i) Presentation of Framework for Action For Marine Litter Programme for South Asia (WP 2)
- (ii) Endorsement for the formal adoption of the Regional Oil Spill Contingency Plan for South Asia and the follow up activities. (WP 3)
- (iii) Follow up activities pertaining to the Work Programme on Coral Reef Conservation and Monitoring with respect to the ongoing EC Project and those related to South Asian Coral Reef Task Force (SACRTF) (WP 4)
- (iv) Global Invasive Species Programme (WP 5)

- (v) Areas of Co-operation with UNDOALOS (WP 6)
  - (vi) Areas of Co-operation with International Maritime Organization (WP 7)
  - (vii) Areas of Co-operation with UNEP GPA (WP 8)
  - (viii) Coastal Clean Up Day (WP 9)
  - (ix) School Awareness Programme (WP 10)
  - (x) Collaboration with SAARC Disaster Management Centre for developing Coastal and Marine Risk Mitigation Plan for South Asia (WP 11)
  - (xi) Basel Convention Regional Centre (WP 12)
  - (xii) Concept note on “Development and Implementation of prevailing strategies in respect to perturbation in Coastal Areas caused by Land-based Activities (WP 13)
  - (xiii) MOU with World Meteorological Organisation (WP 14)
  - (xiv) Mangroves for the Future Programme (WP 15)
  - (xv) Collaboration with NALSAR on Environmental Legislation (WP 16)
  - (xvii) Need for the Revision of the South Asian Seas Action Plan based on the current global trends (WP 17)
- b) **Finalisation and Adoption of Work Programme for 2009 – 2010 (WP 18)**

## 6. FINANCIAL MATTERS

Under this Agenda Item, there would be deliberations on the following matters:

- (a) Review of Country Contributions from Member States for South Asian Seas Trust Fund
- (b) Approval of the budgetary resources required to support the work plan for 2008 - 2009
- (c) Agree upon the means for financing activities of the programme, including pledges for contributions to be made in cash and kind by Governments and other organisations
- (d) Approval of Annual Audited Report of Accounts for years 2005 & 2006

## 7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Under this Agenda Item, The Preparatory Meeting of National Focal Points for 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.

## 8. ADOPTION OF REPORT & CLOSURE OF MEETING

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