



National Consultation

Regional Trade Potential and Associated Non-Tariff Barriers, With Special Focus on Women-Owned/Led/Engaged Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (WMSMEs): The Case of India

Venue: The Metropolitan Hotel and Spa, Bangla Sahib Road, New Delhi, Delhi 110001 Wednesday, 11 February 2015

Agenda

0930-1000	Registration with Tea/Coffee
1000-1015	Opening & Welcome Remarks • Bipul Chatterjee, Deputy Executive Director, CUTS International, Jaipur • Jaco Cilliers, Country Director, United Nations Development Programme, India
1015-1030	Presentation: South Asian WMSME Project - Indian Case Study • Chenai Mukumba/Arundhati Kulshreshtha, CUTS Centre for International Trade, Economics and Environment
1030-1115	 Inaugural Address Surendra Nath Tripathi, Joint Secretary (Small & Medium Enterprises), Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises Keynote Address L. Savithri, Director (Economic, Trade and Finance Division), South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation Special Address Sunaina Tomar, Joint Secretary (International Trade), Ministry of Textiles*
1115-1130	Break
1130-1230	Panel discussion: Building A Cohesive Domestic Environment for WMSMEs in India
	 Chair: Sucharita Eashwar, Managing Director India, WEConnect International Special Address: B. H. Anil Kumar, Joint Secretary (Agro & Rural Industries), Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises Ratna Sudarshan, National Fellow, National University of Educational Planning & Administration, New Delhi Women in the formal and informal economy Rajni Aggarwal, President, Federation of Indian Women Entrepreneurs Women Entrepreneurship in India N. K. Maini, Deputy Managing Director, Small Industries Development Bank of India Domestic financial constraints for women entrepreneurs

1230-1330	Panel Discussion: Exploring WMSME Export Opportunities in SAARC Chair: D.K. Singh, Additional Director General of Foreign Trade (Policy)
	Special Address: Renana Jhabvala, National Coordinator, Self Employed Women's Association
	 Anuradha Goel, Vice Chairperson, SAARC Chamber Women Entrepreneurs Council, India Export challenges Gagan Rai, Chairman, Handloom Export Promotion Council Potential for regional value chain in handloom sector Puneet Kumar, Secretary General, Apparel Export Promotion Council
	Potential for regional value chain in the apparel sector
1330-1400	Closing Remarks
1400	Lunch & Networking