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Programme

First Day, 7 April, 2004

09.00 to 10.00	Registration
10.00 to 11.15	<p>Inaugural Session <i>Welcome:</i> Dr. Nagesh Kumar, Director General, RIS, New Delhi <i>Remarks by:</i> Mr. Mohsen Tawfik, Director, UNESCO, New Delhi Office <i>Remarks by:</i> Dr. Balakrishna Pisupati, Head, Regional Biodiversity Programme, IUCN Asia <i>Inaugural Address:</i> Hon'ble Shri K. C. Pant, Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission and Chairman, RIS, New Delhi <i>Vote of Thanks:</i> Mr. Raju B. Barwale, Member CII, National Committee on Biotechnology and Managing Director, Maharashtra Hybrid Seeds Company Limited</p>
11.15 to 11.30	Tea Break
11.30 to 13.00	<p>Biotechnology and Food Security in Asia: Priorities and Challenges <i>Chair:</i> Prof. Naiyyum Choudhury, Bangladesh Academy of Sciences (BAS), Bangladesh <i>Panelists:</i> Dr. Gerard Barry, International Rice Research Institute (IRRI), Philippines Mr. Daniel Gustafson, FAO, New Delhi Dr. Ajay Parida, M S Swaminathan Foundation, Chennai Dr. Kiran K Sharma, Genetic Transformation Laboratory, ICRISAT, Hyderabad</p>
13.00 to 14.00	Lunch Break

14.00 to 15.15	Biotechnology and IPR Regime: International Developments and Policy Options
	<p><i>Chair:</i> Prof. Ashok Parthasarathy, Centre for Studies in Science Policy, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi</p> <p><i>Panelists:</i></p> <p>Dr. Jayashree Watal, WTO, Geneva</p> <p>Dr. Mikyung Yun, Korea Institute for International Economic Policy, South Korea</p> <p>Dr. Balakrishna Pisupati, IUCN Regional Biodiversity Programme Asia, Sri Lanka</p> <p>Dr. Tanit Changthavorn, National Center for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology (BIOTEC), Thailand</p> <p>Mr. Praveen Anand, Anand and Anand, New Delhi</p> <p>Dr. K K Tripathi, Department of Biotechnology, Government of India</p>
15.15 to 15.30	Tea Break
15.30 to 16.45	Trade, Labelling, Traceability and Issues in Biosafety Management: Follow up on Kuala Lumpur
	<p><i>Chair:</i> Dr. Balakrishna Pisupati, Regional Biodiversity Programme, IUCN Asia</p> <p><i>Panelists:</i></p> <p>Dr. Heike Baumuller, ICTSD, Geneva</p> <p>Dr. Suman Sahai, Gene Campaign, New Delhi</p> <p>Dr. S R Rao , Department of Biotechnology, India</p> <p>Mrs. Gothami Indikadahena, Department of Commerce, Sri Lanka</p> <p>Prof. Liu Yan, Nanjing Institute of Environment Sciences, China</p> <p>Dr. Paresh Verma, Shriram Bioseed Genetics (I) Ltd., Hyderabad</p>
16.45 to 18.00	Special Panel on Agriculture Biotechnology in India
	<p><i>Chair:</i> Dr. R C A Jain, Member Secretary, National Commission for Farmers, New Delhi</p> <p><i>Panelists:</i></p> <p>Mr. Vivek Singhal, President, All India Biotech Association (AIBA), New Delhi</p> <p>Dr. Vibha Dhawan, Tata Energy Research Institute, New Delhi</p> <p>Dr. A R Sadananda, E. G. Technologies and Services Pvt. Ltd., Hyderabad, India</p> <p>Dr. Sandhya Tewari, Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), New Delhi</p> <p>Ms. Sonu Jain, Indian Express, New Delhi</p> <p>Dr. Viloo Morawala Patell, Avesthagen, Bangalore</p> <p>Dr. Sivramiah Shanthu Shantharam, Biologists International, USA</p>
20.00	Dinner at Magnolia Hall, India Habitat Centre, New Delhi

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10.00 to 11.30	Socio-Economic Analysis and Studies on Biotechnology <i>Chair:</i> Dr. Nagesh Kumar, Director-General, RIS, New Delhi <i>Panelists:</i> Innovation System Approach Dr. Halla Thorsteinsdottir, University of Toronto, Canada Role of Statistics: Evolving a Framework Dr. Brigitte van Beuzekom, OECD, France Bt Cotton Experience in US and Mexico Dr. Jose B. Falck-Zepeda, ISNAR/IBS, the Netherlands Farmers' Experience with Bt Cotton in China Dr. Derek Russel, National Resource Institute, United Kingdom Issue of Bt Cotton in India Prof. Bharat Ramaswami, Indian Statistical Institute, New Delhi Mr. Raju B. Barwale, Maharashtra Hybrid Seeds Company Limited
11.30 to 11.45	Tea Break
11.45 to 13.00	Public-Private Partnership in Biotechnology: Issues, Modalities and Lessons <i>Chair:</i> Dr. S. R. Nair, Managing Director, Biotech Consortium India Ltd., New Delhi <i>Panelists:</i> Dr. Ben Peczon, Coalition of Biotechnology, Philippines Dr. Sachin Chaturvedi, RIS, New Delhi Mr. Alluri Srinivasa Rao, ICICI Venture Funds Management Company Limited Dr. Rajeswari Raina, NISTADS, New Dew Delhi
13.00 to 14.00	Lunch Break
14.00 to 15.30	Country Specific Experiences and Options for Asian Regional Cooperation in Biotechnology <i>Chair:</i> Dr. A. P. Kulshreshtha, Director, Centre for Science Technology of the Non-Aligned and Other Developing Countries, New Delhi <i>Panelists:</i> Dr. Nares Damrongchai, APEC Center for Technology Foresight, Thailand Prof. Naiyyum Choudhury, Bangladesh Academy of Sciences (BAS), Bangladesh Mr. Rana Nazir Mehmood, WWF, Pakistan Prof. Bui Chi Buu, Director, CLRRI, Vietnam Dr. Manoranjan Hota, Ministry of Environment and Forests, Government of India
15.30 to 15.45	Tea Break

15.45 to 16.45	Perspectives from International Agencies
	<p>Chair: Mr. Mohsen Tawfik, Director, UNESCO, New Delhi Office</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <p>Dr. Jose B. Falck-Zepeda and Dr. Joel Cohen, IFPR/ISNAR, ISNAR/IBS, the Netherlands Dr. Eija Pehu, World Bank, Washington D.C. and Dr. Paul Sidhu Singh, Senior Agricultural Specialist, World Bank, New Delhi</p> <p>Dr. Peter H. Chase, US Department, Washington D.C. Ms. Liz Fajber, International Development Research Centre, New Delhi</p>
16.45 to 17.30	Concluding Session: Future Agenda
	<p>Valedictory Address: Dr. M. K Bhan, Secretary, Department of Biotechnology, Government of India, New Delhi</p> <p>Remarks:</p> <p>Dr. Nagesh Kumar, Director General, RIS Dr. Balakrishna Pisupati, Head Regional Biodiversity Programme, IUCN Asia Dr. Ben Peczon, President Coalition of Biotechnology, the Philippines Dr. Nares Damrongchai, APEC Center for Technology Foresight, Thailand Dr. Sandhya Tewari, CII, New Delhi</p>