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Regional conference on

“Climate Variability and Cash crops of Maharashtra”

Date: 18th January, 2013

Venue: Niyojan Bhavan, Collectorate Campus, Thane

Agenda

Inaugural Session	
9.30- 10.00 am	Registration & Networking
10.00 - 10.10 am	Welcome Note <i>Dr. Arabinda Mishra,</i> <i>Director, Earth Science and Climate Change Division, Centre for Global Environment Research – The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI)</i>
10.10 - 10.15 am	Special Message by Dr. R. K. Pachauri <i>Director-General, The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI)</i>
10.15 - 10.20 am	Lighting of the Lamp <i>Chief Guest and Guest of Honour</i>
10.20 - 10.30 am	Special Address by Guest of Honor <i>Shri K. V. Kurundkar, CEO, Thane Zilla Parishad</i>
10.30 - 10.50 am	Opening Remarks by Program Partners <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Shri M. V. Ashok, Chief General Manager, National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD)</i>• <i>Dr. N. Chattopadhyay, Deputy Director General of Meteorology, India Meteorological Department (IMD), Pune</i>
10.50 - 11.05 am	Keynote Address by the Chief Guest <i>Shri P Velrasu, Collector & District Magistrate, Thane</i>
11.05 - 11.20 am	Felicitation of Mr. Balkrishna Nimsarkar Acknowledging a small step towards sustenance of local bio-diversity <i>Shri P Velrasu, Collector & District Magistrate, Thane</i>
11.20 - 11.30 pm	Vote of Thanks <i>Dr. Anjali Parasnis, Associate Director, Western Regional Centre, TERI</i>
11.30- 11.45 am	Tea Break

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Technical Sessions:
Enhancing Preparedness - Approaches and Perspectives

11.45 – 12.00 pm	TERI's projects in Maharashtra: An overview <i>The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI)</i>
12.00 – 1.00 pm	<i>Approach 1: Technological Interventions</i>
	1. Agro-met services: Success stories and case studies from Maharashtra <i>Dr. N. Chattopadhyay,</i> <i>Deputy Director General of Meteorology, India Meteorological Department (IMD), Pune</i>
	2. Internalizing forecast and modelling systems. <i>Dr. T.P. Sabin,</i> <i>Scientist C, Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology (IITM), Pune</i>
	3. Significance and application of controlled systems <i>Dr. Balasaheb Gore,</i> <i>Director, Unimax Crop Solutions, Nashik</i>
	Questions and Answer Session
1.00 – 2.00 pm	Lunch Break
2.00 – 3.30 pm	<i>Approach 2: Crop Diversification and Processing of perishables</i>
	Panel Discussion <i>Chaired by Dr. Anjali Parasnis, Associate Director, Western Regional Centre, TERI</i>
	Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shri Palawe, Agri Marketing Expert, Gondia (<i>Watermelon</i>) • Shri Rafik Naikwadi, District Supritendent Agriculture Officer, Thane (<i>Turmeric</i>) • Dr. Smita Lele, UICT – Processing (Palak) • Shri Raju Tendulkar, Entrepreneur - (Pineapple) • Progressive Farmer, NABARD's Abhinav Farmer club, Mulshi, Pune (Specialised processing- Amla)
3.30 – 3.45 pm	Tea Break

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3.45 - 4.45 pm	Approach 3: <u>Assessment of associated vulnerabilities and risks</u>
	1. Role of SHGs and Farmer clubs <i>Dr. Diwakar Hegde, Horticultural Specialist, National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD), Pune</i>
	2. Vulnerabilities associated with production & supply of grape cultivation <i>Shri Subhash Arve, Vice President, Maharashtra Rajya Drakshya Bagaitdar Sangh, (MRDBS), Pune</i>
	3. Export potential of Fresh Horticulture <i>Shri Sudhanshu Regional Manager, Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA, Navi Mumbai</i>
	Question and Answer
4.45 - 5.00 pm	Closing Remarks

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