

AGENDA

Day - I

**Grassroots Reachout and Networking in India on Trade and Economics
(GRANITE) Phase II**

Second National Seminar

29 – 30, October 2009, Kolkata

Time	Program
0930-1000 hrs	Registration with Tea and coffee
Opening Session	
1000-1045 hrs	Welcome Address, Introductory Remarks and Elaboration of the Major Highlights of National Foreign Trade Policy (NFTP), 2009-14 <i>Welcome Address</i> - Keya Ghosh, Head, CUTS Calcutta Resource Centre <i>Introductory Remarks</i> – Siddhartha Mitra, Head, CUTS Centre for International Trade Economics and Environment (CUTS CITEE) <i>Special Address(s)</i> – Sudhanshu Sil, Former Member of Parliament, Kolkata
Session-I	
1045-1215 hrs	<i>Chair:</i> Nilachal Ray, Former Director General, Directorate General of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India GRANITE Phase- II: Project Overview and Major Findings from Eight States - Anutosh Biswas, CUTS International NFTP and major development concerns: Past Experience and the Way Forward - Kritika Kapil, CUTS International <i>Discussants:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Raj Veer Singh Rathod, Deputy Director General, Upkaar, Government of Uttar Pradesh• P.Subhodini, Assistant Director of Agriculture and Incharge of WTO Cell, Office of Commissioner Agriculture, Government of Andhra Pradesh• Govind Hande, Inspecting Authority for Phytosanitary for Export, Govt. of Maharashtra• S.N.Khara, Mango Development Officer, Malda, Department of Food Processing Industries and Horticulture, Government of West Bengal <i>Open House Discussion</i>
1215 – 1230 hrs	<i>Tea Break</i>
1230-1330 hrs	<i>Chair:</i> Alok Ray, Former Professor, Indian Institute of Management, Calcutta Impact of Globalisation on Poverty and Regional Inequality Arne Melchior, The Norwegian Institute of International Affairs (NUPI) <i>Discussant(s):</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Professor Saikat Sinha Roy, Faculty, Jadavpur University• Professor Nabinananda Sen, Faculty, Department of Business Management, University of Calcutta <i>Open House Discussion</i>

1330 – 1430 hrs Lunch

Session II

1430-1530 hrs *Chair:* Sanjeev Nandwani, Joint Director General of Foreign Trade, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India

Strengthening the Linkages between International Trade and benefit(s) to the Grassroots Stakeholders:

- Role of Export Promotion Councils and Commodity Boards in strengthening the linkage

Discussant(s):

- Pankaj Parekh, Chairman, Eastern Region, Gems and Jewellery Export Promotion Council, West Bengal
- Prabhat Ranjan Giri, Director, Export Promotion and Marketing, Government of Orissa
- Siddhartha Mitra, Head, CUTS-CITEE

Open House Discussion

1530 – 1630 hrs *Chair:* Anil Singh, Network Entrepreneurship and Economic Development, Lucknow

Strengthening the Linkages between International Trade and benefit(s) to the Grassroots Stakeholders:

- Strengthening Small Scale Units at the grassroots to support the objectives of NFTP, 2009-14

Discussant(s):

- S.S.Gupta, Assistant Director, Directorate of Micro and Small Scale Enterprise, Government of West Bengal
- Piyush Shukla Senior Manager, Uttar Pradesh Export Promotion Bureau, Government of Uttar Pradesh, Lucknow
- Gautam Ray, Vice President, Federation of Small and Medium Industries (FOSMI), West Bengal

Open House Discussion

1630-1730 hrs *Chair:* Professor Nabinananda Sen, Faculty, Department of Business Management, University of Calcutta

Role of Civil Society Organisations in Trade Policy Making

Siddhartha Mitra, Head, CUTS-CITEE

Discussants:

- Pramod Chandra Patnaik, Secretary KASAM, Orissa
- Milind Murugkar, Maharashtra
- Manju Nath Reddy, Janajagruti Vedika, Karnataka
- D.Shaym Sundar, Journalist, Andhra Pradesh
- Professor Indranil Bose, Head, Department of Political Science, St.Xaviers College

Open House Discussion

1730-1745 hrs **Vote of Thanks**
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Day – II

(Closed Group Meeting)

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1000-1200 hrs	<p>Discussion on Review of Second Phase Project Implementation</p> <p><i>Chair:</i> Siddhartha Mitra, Head, CUTS Centre for International Trade Economics and Environment (CUTS CITEE)</p> <p><i>Speakers:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Divakar Babu, CGS, GRANITE Partner, Andhra Pradesh• Y.G Muralidharan, CREATE, GRANITE Partner, Karnataka• Anil Singh, NEED, GRANITE Partner, Lucknow• Milind Murugkar, SAMARTHAN, GRANITE Partner, Maharashtra• Bharti Mishra, CYSD, GRANITE Partner, Orissa• Kritika Kapil GRANITE Partner, Rajasthan• Rachel Perlin, CAG, GRANITE Partner, Tamil Nadu• Arnab Ganguly, CUTS CRC, GRANITE Partner, West Bengal
1200 – 1215hrs	<p><i>Tea Break</i></p>
1215-1330 hrs	<p>Discussion on Plan of Action for THIRD YEAR of GRANITE Phase - II</p> <p><i>Speaker:</i> Anutosh Biswas, CUTS CITEE</p> <p><i>Open House Discussion</i></p>
1330 hrs	<p><i>Lunch and Departure</i></p>