

## **Seminar on Environmental goods and services**

India Habitat Centre, New Delhi

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Organised by Ministry of Commerce and Industry, UNCTAD and TERI

### **09:30 – 09:45 Inaugural remarks**

UNCTAD representative (*Rene Vossenar*)

Commerce Ministry rep

TERI rep (*R. K. Pachauri/Preety Bhandari*)

### **09:45 – 11:30 Session 1: Trade liberalisation in EGS sector and sustainable development**

How will liberalisation in sector ensure mutual supportiveness between sustainable development and environmental protection?

Whether and how the developing countries can derive long-term exports gains from trade liberalisation?

A holistic approach to EGS would require funding, technology coupled with liberalization in environmental goods and services. How to achieve this in the context of compartmentalized negotiations in WTO?

How can development of domestic industry in this sector, in developing countries be ensured?

What should be the overall approach for negotiations, agreement on definition, list or broader categories of goods?

Chair: Pradipto Ghosh, AS, PMO

International Expert

Rep. of DoC

Rep. from .... country

### **11:30 – 13:00 Trade liberalization in environmental goods: end of the pipe equipment and cleaner technologies**

What type of goods could be considered as environmental goods?

How to address the issues of multiple uses and tariff classification in environmental goods?

Whether it is practical to make cleaner technologies, which is a relative concept, part of such liberalisation?

How to ensure that the developing countries will also get share of trade gains?

To what extent APEC and OECD lists, cover products of export interest to developing countries and to what extent the products mentioned there in are used for environmental purposes? Could they be a basis for negotiations?

Chair:

International expert

Rep. from TERI

Rep from ... country  
Mr. Anwarul Hoda

**Lunch break (13:00 – 14:00)**

**14:00 – 15:30 Session III: Trade liberalization in environmental goods:  
environmentally friendly products and renewable energy equipment**

Whether renewable energy goods as a category should be included in environmental goods or not? Is there a potential export interest for India?

Which are the other goods of export interest to developing countries?

Which environmentally friendly goods can be included in the list of environmental goods? How to address the issue of like products and non-product related PPMs?

Are tariffs or non-tariff barrier the main obstacles to export of environment friendly products? What are the NTBs for environmental friendly products?

Chair:  
Ms. Sunita Narayan  
R. R. Bakshi, RRB Vestas/Tata B. P. Solar/Chintan Shah, Suzlon  
International expert  
Rep. from .... Country

**Tea break (15.30 – 15.45)**

**15:45 – 17:00 Session IV: Liberalisation in environmental services**

How liberalisation in goods can and/or should supplement liberalisation in services?

Which sectors are important for developing countries and what are the issues in expansion of current classification of services in the WTO.

What kind of barriers are services providers (In particular from developing countries) are facing in other markets?

Issues in liberalization of basic services.

Implications of foreign service suppliers in environment services

Issues of qualifications and mode 4 in engineering and consultancy services for environmental sector. Potential for exports under mode 4 for developing countries.

Chair:  
Aparna Sawhani, IIMB  
A. K. Chaturvedi,  
International expert  
Rep. from ... country  
Sanjaya Srivastva, World Bank

**Concluding Remarks**