



## Programme

### 29 September 2014 (Monday)

17.30 – 18.00 hrs: Registration

#### 18.00 – 19.30: Inaugural Session

- Welcome by **Dr. Prabir De**, Professor, RIS
- Opening Address by **Mr. Ameising Luikham**, Secretary, NEC
- Special Address by **Amb. V S Seshadri**, Vice-Chairman, RIS
- Special Address **Mr. Roopen Roy**, President, ICC and Managing Director, Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu India Pvt. Ltd, Kolkata
- Special Address by **H.E. Mr. Rizali Wilmar Indrakesuma**, Indonesian Ambassador in India
- Keynote Address by **Amb. Anil Wadhwa**, Secretary (East), Ministry of External Affairs (MEA)

[Release of Study: *Building Cross-Border Production Networks between India's North East Region, Bangladesh and Myanmar*]

19.30: Dinner Hosted by Indian Chamber of Commerce (ICC)

## **30 September 2014 (Tuesday)**

**09.00 – 09.30: Special Address by Mr. Ranjit Barthakur, FICCI**

**09.30 – 11.00: Session 1. Connectivity between North Eastern Region and ASEAN: Progress, Opportunities and Prospects**

*Chair:* **Dr. Falguni Rajkumar**, Chairman, Indian Institute of Management (IIM) Shillong

*Lead Presentation:* **Amb. V S Seshadri**, Vice-Chairman, RIS

*Panellists:*

- **Mr. Y S Shahrawat**, Chairman, Land Ports Authority of India (LPAI), New Delhi
- **Dr. A. K. Krishna Kumar**, Executive Director, IL&FS Cluster Development, New Delhi
- **Prof. Amar Yumnam**, Manipur University, Imphal
- **Mr. W Synrem**, Economic Adviser, NEC

Q & A

**11.00 – 11.30: Tea / Coffee Break**

**11.30 – 13.00: Session 2. India-ASEAN Trade and Investment: Opportunities for North Eastern Region**

*Chair:* **Dr. C J Thomas**, Director, ICSSR-NERC, Shillong

*Lead Presentation:* **Dr. Gurdas Das**, National Institute of Technology (NIT) Silchar

*Panellists:*

- **Mr. Ishantor Shobhapandit**, Regional Director, ICC-NER, Guwahati
- **Mr. G. Panmei**, Commissioner, Customs, Shillong
- **Dr. Binoda Mishra**, Director, Centre for Studies in International Relations and Development (CSIRD), Kolkata
- **Dr. KH Palin**, Chairman, Shija Hospitals & Research Institute, Imphal
- **Mr. Gautam Chintey**, Adviser (Tourism & Industries), NEC

Q & A

**13.00 – 14.00: Lunch**

**14.00 – 15.30: Session 3. Strengthening Backend Infrastructure in the North Eastern Region: Challenges and Way Forward**

*Chair:* **Ms. Patricia Mukhim**, Member, National Security Advisory Board (NSAB)

*Lead Presentation:* **Mr. P K H Singh**, Adviser (Transport, Power & Communication), NEC

*Panellists:*

- **Ms. Mohini Datt**, The World Bank, New Delhi
- **Amb. R O Wahlang**
- **Mr. Ranjit Singh Viridi**, General Manager (GM), North East Frontier Railway
- **Mr. B. Lyngkhoi**, Director, North Eastern Regional Power Committee (NERPC), Ministry of Power, Government of India

Q & A

**16.00 – 17.30: Session 4. ASEAN – India Strategic Partnership and North East India (Panel Discussion)**

*Chair:* **Mr. M. Bezbarua**, Member, NEC

*Panellists*

- **Amb. Rajeet Mitter**
- **Mr. Ameising Luikham**
- **Amb. V S Seshadri**

Q & A

**17.30 – 18.00: Concluding Session**

*Chair:* **Amb. R. V. Warjri**

***Summary and Vote of Thanks:***

- **Mr. P K H Singh**, NEC
- **Dr. Prabir De**, RIS

**19.00: Dinner Hosted by RIS**