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## Greetings from RIS!



We are pleased to present to you this issue of the *RIS Diary* – the newsletter of the Institute. The Diary is the outcome of our collective efforts at RIS. The idea is to use this as an effective forum to communicate with you, and the other think-tanks and create awareness about our work programme. *RIS Diary* is our window to the outside world to disseminate the information about our research activities and strengthen further our institutional linkages. This issue carries news about the activities undertaken by RIS in the recent past.

As you know, RIS has always maintained the momentum and enthusiasm to fulfill its mandate of serving as an effective think-tank of the developing countries. We are always committed to keep up our efforts in this direction. In order to meet all targets and future challenges, we look forward to the continuous support of all colleagues in RIS and outside. For this, we shall always remain grateful. This also gives us the opportunity to renew our pledge to put in our best efforts so that RIS lives up to the expectations. I do hope that you will find the current issue of the *RIS Diary* interesting and useful. We will eagerly await the feedback, if any, from you.

Meanwhile, with best wishes from all of us in RIS.

Yours sincerely,  
**Sachin Chaturvedi**  
Director General

## Third Round Table on ASEAN-India Network of Think-Tanks (AINTT)



*Ms. Sushma Swaraj, Minister of External Affairs, Government of India delivering the Inaugural Address at the Third Round Table on ASEAN-India Network of Think-Tanks (AINTT) - ASEAN-India: Integration and Development in Hanoi, Vietnam on 25 August 2014. Also seen on the dias (from right to left) are Prof. Nguyen Xuan Thang, President, Vietnam Academy of Social Sciences; H.E. Mr. Pham Binh Minh, Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister of Vietnam; and Ambassador V.S. Seshadri, Vice Chairman, RIS.*

ASEAN-India Centre at RIS, jointly with the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India, the ASEAN Secretariat, the Vietnam Academy of Social Sciences (VASS) and the Vietnam Institute of Indian and Southwest Asian Studies (VIISAS), organised the Third Round Table on ASEAN-India Network of Think-Tanks (AINTT) on the theme “ASEAN-India: Integration and Development” in Hanoi, Vietnam on 25-26 August 2014. Hon’ble Mr. Pham Binh Minh, Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign

Minister of Vietnam delivered the Keynote Address. Mrs. Sushma Swaraj, Minister of External Affairs, Government of India delivered the Inaugural Address. Ambassador V.S. Seshadri, Vice Chairman, RIS and Ambassador Anil Wadhwa, Secretary (East), Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India delivered special addresses. Dr. Prabir De, Coordinator, ASEAN-India Centre at RIS coordinated the event and delivered the Vote of Thanks. The detailed programme is available on the RIS website.

### Round Table on India-ASEAN Connectivity

The ASEAN-India Centre at RIS, jointly with the Indian Chamber of Commerce (ICC) and the North Eastern Council (NEC), organised a Round Table on India-ASEAN Connectivity: Challenges and Opportunities for the North Eastern Region in Shillong on 29-30 September 2014. Prof. Prabir De, Coordinator, ASEAN-India Centre at RIS made the Welcome Remarks and Ambassador Anil Wadhwa, Secretary (East), Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India delivered the Keynote Address. Hon'ble Mr. Rizali Wilmar Indrakesuma, Indonesian Ambassador in India delivered the Special Address. The ASEAN Heads of Missions, diplomats, senior bureaucrats from the North East, senior officials of the Government of



ASEAN Heads of Missions with Ambassador Anil Wadhwa, Secretary (East), Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India; Ambassador V. S. Seshadri, Vice Chairman, RIS; Mr. Roopen Roy, Chairman of the Indian Chamber of Commerce at the Round Table on India-ASEAN Connectivity: Challenges and Opportunities for the North East held in Shillong on 29 September 2014.

India and scholars participated in the conference. RIS monograph “Developing Cross-Border Production Networks between North Eastern Region of India,

Bangladesh and Myanmar” was released at the Round Table. Further details of the event are available on the RIS website.

### Brainstorming Session on India-China Economic Engagement



Prof. S.K. Mohanty making presentation at the Brainstorming Session on India-China Economic Engagement in New Delhi on 27 September 2014.

RIS organised a Brainstorming Session on India-China Economic Engagement in New Delhi on 27 September 2014. Ambassador Shyam Saran, Chairman, RIS chaired the session. The Brainstorming Session was organised around a lead presentation on the RBI sponsored RIS study on “India-China Bilateral Trade Relationship” by Prof. S.K. Mohanty. The distinguished panelists were Prof. S.K. Mohanty, RIS; Prof. Sunanda Sen, JNU and Prof. Manmohan Agarwal, RIS.

# Transforming Connectivity Corridors between India and Myanmar into Development Corridors

The RIS Report *Transforming Connectivity Corridors between India and Myanmar into Development Corridors* by Ambassador V.S. Seshadri, Vice Chairman, RIS was released by Ms. Sujata Mehta, Secretary (ER & DPA), Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India on 14 August 2014 in New Delhi. She read out the message of Gen. (Dr.) V. K. Singh, Minister of State of External Affairs, Government of India, in absentia. Ambassador Shyam Saran, Chairman, RIS delivered the Welcome Address.



Prof. Ram Upendra Das, RIS speaking at the release of the Report *Transforming Connectivity Corridors between India and Myanmar into Development Corridors* in New Delhi on 14 August 2014. Also seen in picture (from left to right) Ambassador V.S. Seshadri, Vice Chairman, RIS; Ambassador Shyam Saran, Chairman, RIS and Ms. Sujata Mehta, Secretary (ER & DPA), Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India.

## ASEAN-India Eminent Persons' Lectures

As part of ASEAN-India Eminent Persons' Lecture Series, ASEAN-India Centre at RIS, jointly with the Ministry of External Affairs, and the ASEAN Secretariat, organised a lecture by Prof. Dr. Nguyen Xuan Thang, President, Vietnam Academy of Social Sciences (VASS) in New Delhi on 12 August 2014. Ambassador Shyam Saran,

Chairman, RIS made the Welcome Remarks.

The second lecture by Prof. Dr. Nguyen Xuan Thang was organised by ASEAN-India Centre at RIS, jointly with the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), the Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) and Maulana Abul Kalam Azad

Institute of Asian Studies (MAKAIAS) in Kolkata on 13 August 2014. Ambassador Krishnan Srinivasan, Former Foreign Secretary of India made the Opening Remarks and Prof. Prabir De, Coordinator, ASEAN-India Centre at RIS made the Welcome Remarks. Mr. Alope Mookherjea, Former Chairman, CII Eastern Region, Kolkata also addressed the gathering.



Hon'ble Prof. Nguyen Xuan Thang, President, Vietnam Academy of Social Sciences (VASS) delivering the lecture on *New Political Situation and Economic Order in Asia* in New Delhi on 12 August 2014.



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### Consultative Meeting on Developing Guidelines and Methodologies for Socio-Economic Assessment of LMOs

RIS and the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change (MoEF&CC), Government of India, jointly organised a Consultative Meeting on Developing Guidelines and Methodologies for Socio-Economic Assessment of LMOs in New Delhi on 15 July 2014. Ambassador Shyam Saran, Chairman, RIS made the Welcome Remarks. Dr. Ranjini Warriar, Director, MoEF&CC gave an Introduction of the UNEP Project. Prof. Sachin Chaturvedi, RIS presented the project overview. Dr. S.R. Rao, Advisor, Department of Biotechnology (DBT), Ministry of Science and Technology (MoS&T), Government of India made the Introductory Remarks. The event had four sessions with eminent panelists that included Dr. P.G. Chengappa, National



Dr. Ranjini Warriar, Director, MoEF&CC making Introduction to the UNEP Project at the Consultative Meeting on Developing Guidelines and Methodologies for Socio-Economic Assessment of LMOs in New Delhi on 15 July 2014. Also seen in picture are Prof. Sachin Chaturvedi, RIS and Dr. S.R. Rao, Advisor, DBT, MoS&T.

Professor of Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), Institute for Social and Economic Change (ISEC), Bangalore; Mr. Sanjay Kumar Srivastava, Director General, NSAI, New Delhi; Prof. Pranav N. Desai, Centre for Studies in Science

Policy (CSSP), Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU); Dr. Nidhi P Chanana, The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI); Mr. Aniket Aga, Yale University; Dr. K. Ravi Srinivas, RIS, among others. The detailed programme is available on the RIS website.

### Round Table on Governance of Regenerative Medicine and Patients' Needs in India

RIS, along with the University of Sussex and the Department of East Asian Studies, organised a Round Table on Governance of Regenerative Medicine and Patients' Needs in India in New Delhi on 2 July 2014. Prof. Sreemati Chakrabarti, Department of East Asian Studies, University of Delhi (DU), New Delhi chaired the session and Prof. Sachin Chaturvedi, RIS delivered the Welcome Address. Dr. Prasanna K. Patra, University of Sussex, UK presented the theme of the session. The discussants included Dr. Vasantha Muthuswamy, former Senior Deputy Director General, ICMR; Dr. Nandini



Prof. Sreemati Chakrabarti, Department of East Asian Studies, University of Delhi (DU), speaking at the Round Table on Governance of Regenerative Medicine and Patients' Needs in India in New Delhi on 2 July 2014. Also seen in picture (from left to right) Dr. Prasanna K. Patra, University of Sussex, UK; Dr. Vasantha Muthuswamy, former Senior Deputy Director General, ICMR and Prof. Sachin Chaturvedi, RIS.

Gokulchandran, Deputy Director, Neurogen, Mumbai; Prof. P.B. Seshagiri, Indian Institute of

Science, Bangalore, among others. Dr. Ravi Srinivas, RIS extended the Vote of Thanks.

### International Conference on Cross-Border Connectivity

RIS, jointly with the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India, organised the International Conference on Cross-Border Connectivity in New Delhi on 12 May 2014. Ambassador Shyam Saran, Chairman, RIS chaired the Inaugural Session and Ambassador Anil Wadhwa, Secretary (East), Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India delivered the Keynote Address. Eminent policymakers, senior government officials, academicians and representatives from international organisations like the World Bank participated in the deliberations. The conference also had notable speakers that included Mr. Henry Steingass, Regional Director for South and Southeast Asia at the U.S. Trade and Development Agency



Ambassador Anil Wadhwa, Secretary (East), Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India delivering the Keynote Address at the International Conference on Cross-Border Connectivity in New Delhi on 12 May 2014. Also seen on dias is Ambassador Shyam Saran, Chairman, RIS.

(USTDA), Washington, D.C.; Ms. Fatema Sumar, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau of South and Central Asian Affairs, U.S. Department of State, Washington D.C.; Mr. Katsuo Matsumoto, Deputy Director General and Director

for India and Bhutan, South Asia Department, Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), Tokyo among others. Prof. Prabir De, coordinated the event. The detailed agenda is available on the RIS website.

### Round Table on ASEAN-India Transit Transport Agreement

ASEAN-India Centre at RIS and the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India organised a Round Table on ASEAN-India Transit Transport Agreement (AITTA) in New Delhi on 16 April 2014. Ambassador V.S. Seshadri, Vice Chairman, RIS made the Opening Remarks and Ambassador Anil Wadhwa, Secretary (East), Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India delivered the Keynote Address. Prof. Prabir De, Coordinator, ASEAN-India Centre at RIS made the lead presentation. The consultation included participants from the Ministry of External Affairs, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Ministry of Finance,



Ambassador Anil Wadhwa, Secretary (East), Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India delivering the Keynote Address at the Round Table on ASEAN India Transit Transport Agreement in New Delhi on 16 April 2014.

Ministry of Home Affairs, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region, North Eastern Council, Ministry of Civil Aviation, Ministry of Shipping, Ministry of Information Technology and the Planning Commission. Senior

officials representing states of Assam, Kerala, Maharashtra, Manipur, Nagaland, Odisha, Tamil Nadu, Tripura and West Bengal also attended the round table. The detailed programme is available on the RIS website.

# Conference on Ethics, Equity and Inclusion in Science and Technology: Global and Regional Perspectives

RIS, jointly with Global Ethics in Science and Technology (GEST) programme and the Seventh Framework Programme of the European Commission, organised the International Conference on Ethics, Equity and Inclusion in Science and Technology: Global and Regional Perspectives in New Delhi on 6-7 March 2014. Ambassador Shyam Saran, Chairman, RIS chaired the Inaugural Session. Prof. Biswajit Dhar, Director General, RIS made the Welcome Remarks. Dr. Milto Ladikas, Senior Research Fellow, UCLAN, UK made the Introductory Remarks and Prof. Jan Staman, Director, Rathenau Institut, the Netherlands also addressed. Prof. K. Vijay Raghavan, Secretary, Department of Biotechnology, Government of India, delivered the Keynote Address. Prof. Sachin Chaturvedi, Project Director



Ambassador Shyam Saran, Chairman, RIS, addressing the Inaugural Session of the Conference on Ethics, Equity and Inclusion in Science and Technology: Global and Regional Perspectives in New Delhi on 6 March 2014. Also seen in picture (from left to right) Prof. Sachin Chaturvedi, RIS; Prof. Biswajit Dhar, Director General, RIS; Dr. K. Vijay Raghavan, Secretary, Department of Biotechnology, Government of India; Dr. Milto Ladikas, Senior Research Fellow, UCLAN, UK; and Prof. Jan Staman, Director, Rathenau Institut, the Netherlands.

extended the Vote of Thanks. The two-day conference was attended by scholars and speakers from India and abroad that included Prof. Shiv Vishwanathan, O P Jindal University, India; Prof. W.E. Bijker, Maastricht University, Netherlands; Dr.

Michael Decker, ITAS, Germany; Dr. Ahmed Fahmi, UNESCO, Paris; Prof. Cao Nanyan, Tsinghua University, Beijing and Dr. David Coles, UCLAN, UK. The programme is available on the RIS website.

## Dialogue on India-Singapore Relations

ASEAN-India Centre at RIS and the Institute of South Asian Studies (ISAS), National University of Singapore jointly organised the Dialogue on India-Singapore Relations in New Delhi on 6 March 2014. Ambassador Shyam Saran, Chairman, RIS chaired the session. Dr. Biswajit Dhar, Director General, RIS made the Welcome Remarks. Ambassador Anil Wadhwa, Secretary (East), Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India and Ambassador Gopinath Pillai, Chairman, ISAS made Special Remarks. The discussion



Ambassador Shyam Saran, Chairman, RIS speaking at the Dialogue on India-Singapore Relations in New Delhi on 6 March 2014. Also seen in picture (from right to left) Ambassador Anil Wadhwa, Secretary (East), Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India; Ambassador Gopinath Pillai, Chairman, ISAS and Dr. Biswajit Dhar, Director General, RIS.

focused on India's Look East Policy, India-Singapore Relations and ASEAN-India Relations.

Senior policymakers, diplomats and academics also took part in the meeting.

# National Seminar on ASEAN-India Maritime Transport Cooperation

ASEAN-India Centre at RIS, jointly with Indian National Shipowners' Association (INSA), organised a National Seminar on ASEAN-India Maritime Transport Cooperation in New Delhi on 31 January 2014. Ambassador Shyam Saran, Chairman, RIS made the Introductory Remarks. Ambassador Anil Wadhwa, Secretary (East), Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India delivered the Keynote Address. Prof. Prabir De, Coordinator, ASEAN-India Centre at RIS made the lead presentation. The draft of the "ASEAN-India Maritime Connectivity Report" was circulated in the seminar. Eminent economists, policymakers and



*Ambassador Anil Wadhwa, Secretary (East), Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India delivering the Keynote Address at the National Seminar on ASEAN-India Maritime Transport Cooperation in New Delhi on 31 January 2014. Also seen in picture is Ambassador Shyam Saran, Chairman, RIS.*

legal experts participated in the discussions. The detailed

programme is available on the RIS website.

## Seminar on ASEAN-India Strategic Partnership

Under the ASEAN-India Seminar Series, the ASEAN-India Centre at RIS organised a Seminar on ASEAN-India Strategic Partnership in New Delhi on 29 January 2014. Ambassador Sanjay Singh, Former Secretary (East), Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India chaired the seminar. Ambassador Shyam Saran, Chairman, RIS made the Opening Remarks. Dr. Prabir De, Senior Fellow, RIS, and Coordinator, ASEAN-India Centre, RIS made the Introductory Remarks. Dr. Pradumna B. Rana, Associate Professor, S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies



*Dr. Pradumna B. Rana, Associate Professor, S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS), Nanyang Technological University (NTU), Singapore delivering the lecture on ASEAN-India Strategic Partnership in New Delhi on 29 January 2014. Also seen on head table (from left to right) are Dr. Prabir De, Senior Fellow, RIS, and Coordinator, ASEAN-India Centre, RIS; Ambassador Sanjay Singh, Former Secretary (East), Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India; Ambassador Shyam Saran, Chairman, RIS; and Prof. Amita Batra, JNU.*

(RSIS), Nanyang Technological University (NTU), Singapore

delivered the lecture, which was followed by open discussion.

# Seminar on New Development Bank and South-South Cooperation

RIS and Forum for Indian Development Cooperation (FIDC) organised a Seminar on New Development Bank and South-South Cooperation in New Delhi on 3 September 2014. Ambassador Shyam Saran, Chairman, RIS presided over the event. The eminent panelists were Dr. Rathin Roy, Director, National Institute of Public Finance and Policy (NIPFP); Mr. Charanjeet Singh, Joint Secretary, Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India; and Ms. Pooja Parvati, Oxfam India. Mr. Amitabh Behar, Executive Director, National Foundation for India proposed the Vote of Thanks.



*Mr. Charanjeet Singh, Joint Secretary, Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India speaking at the FIDC Seminar on New Development Bank and South-South Cooperation held in New Delhi on 3 September 2014.*

## Post-2015 Development Agenda: An Indian Perspective

RIS organised a Seminar on Post-2015 Development Agenda: An Indian Perspective under the FIDC Seminar Series in New Delhi on 11 April 2014. Prof. Biswajit Dhar, Director General, RIS chaired the seminar. The key panelists included Mr. Tanmay Lal, Joint Secretary (UNES), Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India and Mr. Tuhin Kumar, Joint Secretary (DPA-II), Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India.



*Mr. Tanmay Lal, Joint Secretary (UNES), Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India speaking at the Seminar on Post-2015 Development Agenda: An Indian Perspective held in New Delhi on 11 April 2014.*

### Moving from ODA to Development Finance: Emerging Contours of New Conceptual Framework

RIS organised a Seminar on Moving from Official Development Assistance (ODA) to Development Finance: Emerging Contours of New Conceptual Framework in New Delhi on 27 February 2014. Mr. Rajesh Khullar, Joint Secretary (ABC), Department of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance, Government of India chaired the meeting. The lead presentation was made by Prof. Sachin Chaturvedi, RIS. The Panelists for the seminar included Ms. Chloe Rocha Young, Embassy of Brazil, New Delhi and Ms. N.M. Pillay, South African High Commission, New Delhi. Prof. Manmohan Agarwal, Adjunct Senior Fellow, RIS was the discussant.



*Prof. Sachin Chaturvedi, RIS speaking at the FIDC Seminar on Moving from ODA to Development Finance: Emerging Contours of New Conceptual Framework in New Delhi on 27 February 2014. Also seen in picture (to his left) Ms. N.M. Pillay, South African High Commission, New Delhi; Mr. Rajesh Khullar, Joint Secretary (ABC), Department of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance, Government of India; Ms. Chloe Rocha Young, Embassy of Brazil, New Delhi and Prof. Manmohan Agarwal, Adjunct Senior Fellow, RIS.*

### Conference on Indian Development Cooperation Policy: The State of the Debate

RIS organised the Conference on Indian Development Cooperation Policy: The State of the Debate in New Delhi on 18 January 2014. Prof. Biswajit Dhar, Director General, RIS chaired the Inaugural Session. Ms. Sujata Mehta, Special Secretary (ER & DPA), Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India delivered the Inaugural Address. The eminent participants and speakers included Prof. Anuradha Chenoy, JNU; Ms. Lise Grande, UN Resident Coordinator and Resident Representative, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), New Delhi; Dr. Rathin Roy, Director, National Institute of Public Finance and Policy (NIPFP), New Delhi; Prof. Manmohan Agarwal,



*Mr. David Rasquinha, Executive Director, Exim Bank, Mumbai speaking at the Conference on Indian Development Cooperation Policy: The State of the Debate in New Delhi on 18 January 2014. Also seen in picture (from left to right) Mr. Rajesh Tandon, President, PRIA, New Delhi; Mr. Kumar Tuhin, Joint Secretary (DPA-II), Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India and Prof. Sachin Chaturvedi, RIS.*

Adjunct Senior Fellow, RIS; Dr. E. Sridharan, Academic Director, University of Pennsylvania Institute for

the Advanced Study of India (UPIASI), New Delhi and Prof. Sachin Chaturvedi, RIS.

### Capacity Building Programme on International Economic Issues and Development Policy (IEIDP)

RIS conducted the capacity building programme on International Economic Issues and Development Policy (IEIDP) in conjunction with the Indian Technical and Economic Cooperation (ITEC)/SCAAP Programme of the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India in New Delhi during 10 February-7 March 2014. RIS has been conducting this Programme on International Economic Issues

and Development Policy (IEIDP) for participants from developing countries with a view to inculcate enhanced understanding on challenges and opportunities associated with the processes of globalisation and development.

Invited speakers included very noted academic experts, important policymakers and representatives from the private sector including the media. The participants were exposed to various crucial subjects

of national, regional and global significance specifically from the perspective of developing countries. This was achieved through a series of lectures delivered by RIS faculty as well as by noted economists and policymakers from outside. The participants were also exposed to India's economic dynamism through various field visits in and outside Delhi.



*Participants of the Capacity Building Programme on International Economic Issues and Development Policy (IEIDP) organised from 10 February to 7 March 2014 with Prof. Ram Upendra Das, RIS.*

### Building Trade and Investment Capacity in Myanmar

RIS, jointly with Centre for Economy, Environment, and Society (CESS), Myanmar, organised a one week Intensive Training Programme on Trade Policy and Analysis at the Union of Myanmar Federation

of Chambers of Commerce and Industry (UMFCCI) Building, Yangon in association with Trade Sift, Asia-Pacific Research and Training Network (ARTNeT), ASEAN-India Centre at RIS, UMFCCI, Calcutta University,

Jadavpur University and University of Sussex from 26 to 30 May 2014. This event was also supported by the IPE Global, Department for International Development (DFID) and Myanmar Ministry of Commerce.

## Capacity Building Programmes



*Participants of the Training Programme on Trade Policy and Analysis held at the UMFCCI Building, Yangon from 26 to 30 May 2014 along with the faculty.*

Hon'ble Dr. Pwint San, Deputy Minister for Ministry of Commerce, Myanmar delivered the opening speech. Prof. Prabir De, who is managing the project, delivered the Opening Address. The inaugural session was also attended by Mr. Zaw Min Win, Vice-President, Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry (UMFCCI) and Dr. Mia Mikic, Chief, Trade Policy Section, Trade and Investment Division, UNESCAP. The programme included presentations and

lectures by well known academicians and policymakers from India, UK, UNESCAP, and Myanmar.

In continuation of this capacity building programme, a five-day training programme was also organised at the Jadavpur University, Kolkata from 16 to 20 September 2014. Prof. Ajitava Raychaudhuri, Jadavpur University made the Welcome Remarks. Mr. Sunil Mitra, Former Secretary, Finance and

Revenue, Government of India and Director, IPE Global and Team Lead, The Knowledge Partnership Programme and Prof. Abhijit Chakraborti, Vice Chancellor, Jadavpur University delivered special addresses. Prof. Prabir De, RIS made the Opening Remarks. H.E. Mr. Than Htwe, Consul General of Myanmar in Kolkata delivered the Inaugural Address. The training programme was attended by senior officials and scholars of Myanmar.



*Participants of the Training Programme on Trade Policy and Analysis held at Jadavpur University, Kolkata from 16 to 20 September 2014 along with the faculty.*

### Prof. Sachin Chaturvedi Director General

(since 10 September 2014)

- Made a presentation on 'Mainstreaming of Regional Outcomes' at GEST Policy Meeting in Berlin on 14-15 January 2014.
- Participated in the OECD Expert Group meeting in Paris on 23-25 January 2014.
- Made a presentation on 'Protection of Traditional Knowledge, Access and Benefit Sharing - Current National and International Scenario' at the *Conference on 26th Kerala Science Congress* in Kerala on 29 January 2014 (in absentia).
- Participated in the International Conference on Global Economic Crisis, Macroeconomic Dynamics, Development Challenges of Developing Economies organised by JNU and Jamia Millia Islamia in New Delhi on 24 February 2014.
- Made a presentation on 'Development Partnership and India-Africa Relations: Trends and Prospects' at the 10th CII-EXIM Bank Conclave on India-Africa Project Partnership at New Delhi on 10 March 2014.
- Made a presentation on 'BRICS International Development Cooperation' at the BRICS Academic Forum 2014, Brazil, 18 March 2014.
- Made a presentation on 'Responsible Research and Innovation in India' at the *Conference on Responsible Governance of Science and Technologies: Perspectives from Europe, China and India* in Brussels on 19 March 2014.
- Made a presentation on 'Deconstructing South-South Cooperation' at the Dialogue on 'Deconstructing South-South Cooperation: A South Asian Perspective' organised by NCAER and CPD at New Delhi on 28 March 2014.
- Made a presentation on 'Indian Development Partnership: Genesis and Evolution' at the NIDC Forum organised by Network of International Development Cooperation (NIDC) in collaboration with the Asia Foundation (TAF), Thailand Research Fund (TRF) in Bangkok on 31 March 2014.
- Made a presentation on 'Role for Southern Think-Tanks' at the Launching meeting of Network of Southern Think-tanks (NeST) in Mexico on 14 April 2014.
- Made a presentation on 'Institutional Architecture and Development: Responses from Emerging Powers' at the First High-level Meeting of the Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation in Mexico on 16 April 2014.
- Participated at the panel discussion on 'Setting the agenda: foreign policy priorities of the new government' organised by Brookings India in New Delhi on 9 May 2014.
- Made a presentation on 'Emerging Dynamics of India's External Sector and Trade Facilitation: An Overview', at the Training Programme on Contemporary Issues in International Trade for Senior IIS officers organised by IIFT in New Delhi on 30 May 2014.
- Participated at a High-level policy seminar on 'BRICS and Global Health' organised by WHO, in collaboration with the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India in New Delhi on 24 June 2014.
- Made a presentation on 'Supplementary Sources of Development Financing' at the Conference on The New Development Finance Landscape: Partner Countries Perspectives and Implications for Post-2015 Debate, organised by OECD in Paris on 25 June 2014.
- Participated at the Expert Reference Group Meeting on new definition of 'aid' organised by the OECD-DAC in Paris on 26-27 June 2014.
- Made a presentation on 'Emerging Dynamics of India's External Sector and WTO: An Overview' at the MCTP Lecture at Foreign Service Institute in New Delhi on 3 July 2014.
- Made a presentation on 'Issues before BRICS Summit' at the session theme: Inclusive Growth: Sustainable Solutions at the Sixth BRICS Summit: Expectations from Fortaleza Meeting organised by Institute of Social Sciences in New Delhi on 7 July 2014.
- Made a presentation on 'Dynamics of South-South Cooperation' at the Fourth Biennial High-level Meeting of the Development Cooperation Forum (DCF) entitled "Bringing the future of development cooperation to post-2015" at United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) in New York on 10-11 July 2014.
- Participated at the Budget Seminar entitled 'The Union Budget 2014-15: Reform and Development Perspectives' organised jointly by CPR, ICRIER, IDF, NCAER and NIPFP-IDF in New Delhi on 19 July 2014.
- Made a presentation on 'Deconstructing South-South Cooperation' at the seminar organised by Observers Research Foundation (ORF), 21 July 2014.
- Made a presentation on 'Southern Perspective' at the session on Collaboration and Partnerships for the Post-2015 Development Agenda at the conference on 'The Post-2015 Development Agenda:

Perspectives from India and Beyond' organised by Observer Research Foundation in New Delhi on 14 August 2014.

- Made a Presentation on 'India's Development Cooperation Policy' at the International seminar on 'South-South Cooperation' organised by VANI in New Delhi on 26-27 August 2014.
- Made a presentation on 'India-Africa Cooperation is Seed Sector' at the Workshop on Open Source Seed System organised by Institute for Studies in Industrial Development (ISID) in New Delhi on 30-31 August 2014.
- Participated at the Twenty Ninth Meeting of the Expert Committee on Access and Benefit Sharing for Processing the Applications, National Biodiversity Authority in Chennai on 2 September 2014.
- Made a presentation on 'Blue Economy: Emerging Trends' at the Indian Ocean Dialogue 2014 organised by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, UAE in Kerala on 5-7 September 2014.
- Made a presentation on 'South-South Cooperation: The Indian Perspective' at Beyond Global Governance: Furthering South-South Cooperation and the Role of BRICS organised by Council for Social Development in New Delhi on 25-26 September 2014.

### **Prof. Biswajit Dhar** Former Director General

(till 30 May 2014)

- Participated in the seminar on 'Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP): ASEAN+6 FTA including China' organised by FICCI in New Delhi on 9 January 2014.
- Attended the 2nd Research Institute Network (RIN) Meeting organised by the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN

and East Asia (ERIA) in Brunei Darussalam on 10-12 January 2014.

- Participated in the Round Table Meeting on 'Strengthening the Role of Indian Voluntary Sector on the Global Platforms' organised by VANI in New Delhi on 13 January 2014.
- Participated in the 27th Authority Meeting of the National Biodiversity Authority (NBA) in Chennai on 24-25 January 2014.
- Made a presentation on Implementation of Access and Benefit-Sharing Regime in India at the Dialogue on 'Practical Ways Forward for the Implementation of the Nagoya Protocol' organised jointly by ABS and GIZ in Cape Town, South Africa on 29-31 January 2014.
- Participated in the 26th Session of Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore (IGC) organised by World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO) in Geneva on 3-7 February 2014.
- Participated in the joint meeting of IPO and NBA in New Delhi on 11 February 2014.
- Participated in the C.D. Deshmukh Memorial Lecture 2014 organised by NCAER in New Delhi on 11 February 2014.
- Participated in the Lecture by Dr. Tariq Karim, High Commissioner of Bangladesh in New Delhi on 11 February 2014.
- Moderated the Workshop on Internet Governance from the Indian Perspective organised by CCAOI in New Delhi on 19 February 2014.
- Participated in the Third meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Intergovernmental Committee for the Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit-sharing (ICNP3) in

Pyeongchang, Republic of Korea on 24 to 28 February 2014.

- Participated in the Advisory Committee Meeting on ICSSR Project organised by ISID in New Delhi on 12 March 2014.

### **Prof. S.K. Mohanty**

- Made a presentation on 'Changing Shade of Economic Priorities in IORA: Trade and Investment Interest of Dialogue Partners in the Region' at the International Symposium on 'Going beyond ASEAN-Challenges and Opportunities for the Rise of Indian Ocean Rim Economy and its implications for Japan' organised by Japan Research Institute and METI, Government of Japan in Tokyo on 20 March 2014.
- Made a presentation on 'Towards a Comprehensive Trade Strategy for India: Accessing Trade and Opportunities in Africa and China' in Ministry of Finance on 31 July 2014.
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- Participated in the Curtain Raiser of the India Education Summit organised by the State Government of Victoria in Australia on 5 March 2014.
- Participated in the International Symposium on East Asian Economic Integration organised by the Academy for World Watch in Hong Kong during 18-23 March 2014.
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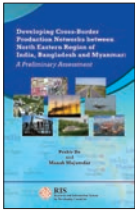
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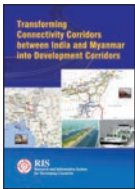
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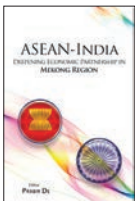
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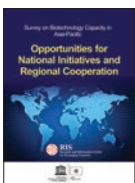
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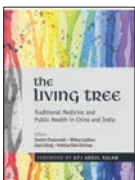
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