

**Third Technical Capacity Building Workshop on  
Afghanistan's Accession to WTO:  
WTO AGREEMENTS IN AGRICULTURE, SANITARY AND PHYTOSANITARY  
MEASURES, TECHNICAL BARRIERS TO TRADE AND TRADE REMEDIES**

**28-29 October 2013, New Delhi**

**Venue: Conference Hall, ESCAP-SSWA, C-2 Qutub Institutional Area, New Delhi**

**Tentative Programme**

**Monday, 28 October 2013 (DAY 1)**

09.30 – 10.00      **Registration**

10.00 – 10.30      **Opening Session**

Opening Remarks: **Dr. Nagesh Kumar**, Director, ESCAP South and South West Asia Office (SSWA) and Chief Economist, UN-ESCAP

Opening Remarks: **Mr. Rajesh Aggarwal**, Chief, Business and Trade Policy, International Trade Centre (ITC), Geneva

Inaugural Address: **H.E. Mr. M. Ashraf Haidari**, Deputy Chief of Mission (Minister Counsellor) Embassy of Afghanistan, New Delhi

10.30 – 10.45      *Group Photo followed by Coffee/Tea Break*

10.45 – 11.45      **Session 1: WTO Accession of Afghanistan: Status of the Negotiation Process;  
Road to Bali, 9<sup>th</sup> WTO Ministerial**

**Speaker:** Mr. Baraimal Jeryan, Expert of Trade in Goods, WTO Section, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of Afghanistan

*Afghanistan is expected to conclude the accession negotiation at forthcoming 9th WTO Ministerial in Bali. This session will provide an updated of the current status of accession and Afghanistan's road map to address remaining negotiating issues and highlight trade capacity building needs beyond accession.*

Open Discussion

11.45 – 13.00      **Session 2: WTO Agreement on Agriculture,**

**Speaker : Mr. Rajesh Aggarwal, ITC, Geneva**

*Presentation and discussion focusing on the objectives pursued in the WTO Agreement on Agriculture i.e. the aim to improve market access and reduce trade-distorting subsidies. Examinations of commitments outlined in the Agricultural Agreement countries joining the WTO including market access, domestic support and export subsidies. Special focus will be given to the more favourable terms afforded to the LDCs*

Open discussion

13.00 – 14.00      *Lunch*

14.00 – 15.00

**Session 3: The WTO Agreements on SPS and TBT**

**Agreement on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures (SPS)**

**Speakers :**

**Dr. A. Dayaratna Silva, Deputy Head, ESCAP- SSWA**

**Ms. Charlotta Falenius, Associate Expert, Business and Trade Policy, ITC, Geneva**

*This session will present the key provision of the WTO's SPS Agreement including risk assessment, harmonization, transparency, equivalence and regionalization. The discussion will include outlining the differences between the SPS and TBT measures, an overview of the SPS notification and Information Management Systems and experiences of other acceded countries.*

Open discussion

15.00 – 16.00

**Session 3 (Continued)**

**Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT)**

**Speaker : Ms. Charlotta Falenius, ITC**

*The session introduces the principles of the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade including the objective to ensure that regulations, standards, testing and certification procedures do not create unnecessary obstacles to trade as well as the right to pursue policies to protect human health, safety and the environment. Discussion on the impact that the need to comply with different foreign technical regulations and standards has on international trade.*

16.00

*Leave for* **Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI), Federation House, Tansen Marg, New Delhi**

16.30 – 17.30

**Special Session at FICCI**

**Tuesday 29 October 2013 (DAY 2)**

09.30 – 11.00

**Session 4: Trade remedies: subsidies, safeguards and antidumping**

**WTO Agreement on Subsidies and Countervailing Measures (ASCM)**

**Speaker: Mr. Rajesh Aggarwal**

*This session will introduce participants to the WTO Agreement on subsidies and countervailing measures (SCM). The discussion will include the commitments and obligations expected of countries acceding to the WTO and examine subsidies or domestic support as internal policies affecting foreign trade in goods.*

*The first session will outline how subsidies are defined in the Agreement and look at their categories to prohibitive, actionable and agricultural subsidies. The Session will set out examples of how acceded countries have phased out their domestic support and subsidies.*

Open discussion

11.00 – 11:15

*Coffee/Tea Break*

11:15 – 13.00

**Session 4: Agreement on Subsidies and Countervailing Measures (continued)**

*The second session on subsidies and countervailing measures will give special focus to the more favorable terms afforded LDCs with respect to subsidies disciplines. Discussion will include flexibilities provided by the SCM to give policy space to LDCs in pursuing their industrial developments. The session will also briefly look at cases where measures counteracting the effect of subsidies (determined by the agreement) may be applied. These cases include the existence of subsidized imports, injury to a domestic industry, and a direct link between the subsidized imports and the injury.*

Open Discussion

13.00 – 14.00

*Lunch*

14.00 – 15.30

**Session 4 : (continued)**

**WTO Agreement on Anti-dumping**

**Speaker: Prof: Abhijit Das, Head and Professor, Centre for WTO studies, Indian Institute of Foreign Trade**

*The session will concentrate on the WTO agreement on anti-dumping Agreement. The discussion will focus on how the implementation of Article VI of GATT 1994, otherwise known as the anti-dumping agreement, authorizes the use of a specific anti-dumping duty on imports from a particular source in cases where dumping threatens injury to a domestic industry. The session will look at the implementation of anti-dumping commitments by recently acceded members.*

Open discussion

15.30 - 15.45

*Coffee/Tea Break*

15.45 – 17.00

**Session 4 : (continued)**

**WTO Agreement on Safeguards**

*This session will examine the WTO Agreement on Safeguards including temporary, non-selective actions to suspend concessions or obligations and consisting of quantitative*

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