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Insulating Marine Fisheries Sector in
South Asia from Uncertainties:
Global Experiences with Insurance

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0900 – 0945  
Inaugural Session

0900 – 0910  
Welcome & Opening Remarks  
Dr. A. Gopakrishnan  
Director, ICAR-CMFRI & Vice President, AFS-IB

0910 – 0920  
Guest of Honour  
Dr. Christophe Crepin  
Practice Manager (Environment, Natural Resources and Blue Economy)  
Global Practice, The World Bank

0920 – 0930  
Guest of Honour  
Dr. K.S. Palanisamy, IAS  
Commissioner of Fisheries, Tamil Nadu

0930 – 0940  
Chief Guest Address  
Dr. C. Suvarna, IFS  
Chief Executive, National Fisheries Development Board  
Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying, Government of India

0940 – 0945  
Vote of Thanks  
Dr. P. Krishnan  
Director, Bay of Bengal Programme  
Inter-Governmental Organisation

0955 – 1130  
Session I  
Global Experiences on Marine Fisheries Insurance

Chair  
Dr. Dilip Kumar  
Former VC, CIFE & FAO Expert

Rapporteurs  
Dr. P. Shinoj, CMFRI & Dr. A. Suresh, CIFT

1000 – 1010  
The role of Insurance in climate change adaptation  
Dhruba Purkayastha  
Consultant, World Bank

1010 – 1020  
World Review of Capture Fisheries Insurance  
Dr. Suchitra Upare  
Global CAFI SSF Network and Coordinator, FAO, New York

1020 – 1030  
A Model for Insulating Climate Risks in Marine Fisheries with Insurance  
Dr. Kishore Dhavala  
Nalanda University, Patna

1030 – 1040  
Identification, Monitoring, Assessing and Managing Climate Related Risks in Insurance  
Ms. Serap Oguz Gonulal  
Lead Insurance Specialist, World Bank

1040 – 1050  
Micro-insurance Measures for Small-Scale Fishers: Experiences and Lessons Learned  
Dr. Prasun Kumar Das  
Secretary General, APRACA, Bangkok

1050 – 1100  
Guidelines to Design and Implement Insurance in Small-scale Fisheries Sector  
Mr. Uwe Tietze  
Sr. Consultant, FAO, Rome

1100 – 1110  
Designing Insurance Products for the Marine Fisheries Sector: Issues and Developments  
Ms. Smita Tibrewal  
Vice President, Agri. & Mass Underwriting, ICICI Lombard, Mumbai

1110 – 1120  
Insulating Fishers from Uncertainties: Contemporary Thoughts and Way forward  
Mr. Tapas Paul  
Team Lead (Fisheries), The World Bank
1130 – 1230 Session II
Country Perspectives on Marine Fisheries Insurance

Chair
Dr. V. Rajagopalan, IAS (Retd.)
Former Secretary, MoEFCC, Govt. of India

Rapporteurs
Dr. P. Krishnan, Director, BOBP-IGO
Dr. P.S. Ananthan, ICAR-CIFE

1135 – 1145
Experiences and Plans from BANGLADESH
Mr. Subrata Bhowmik
Joint Secretary, Department of Fisheries, Bangladesh

Dr. Md. Sharif Uddin
Director, Marine Fisheries Office
Department of Fisheries, Bangladesh

1145 – 1155
Experiences and Plans from INDIA
Dr. L. Narasimha Murthy
Senior Executive Director, National Fisheries Development Board (NFDB), Hyderabad

Ms. N. Chandra
Executive Director (Technical), National Fisheries Development Board (NFDB), Hyderabad

1155 – 1205
Experiences and Plans from MALDIVES
Mr. Ahmed Shifaz
Director, Min. of Fisheries, Marine Resources and Agriculture, Male’, The Maldives

1205 – 1215
Experiences and Plans from SRI LANKA
Mr. Dhammika Ranatunga
Director General (Technical), Ministry of Fisheries, Sri Lanka

Mr. Susantha Kahawatte
Director General, Dept. of Fisheries & Aquatic Resources, Ministry of Fisheries, Sri Lanka

1215 – 1225
Experiences and Plans from THAILAND
Ms. Nartaya Srichantuk
Economist, Policy & Plan Division, Dept. of Fisheries, Thailand

1230 – 1315
Plenary Session
Policy Perspectives for Insulating Marine Fisheries Sector from Uncertainties including Changing Climate

Panelists
Senior Officers of Government of Bangladesh, India, Sri Lanka & Maldives

Rapporteur
Mr. Rajdeep Mukherjee
BOBP-IGO

1230 – 1245
Agenda for the Future: Lessons for South Asia from Global Marine Fisheries Insurance

Briefs from Session Chairs
Dr. Dilip Kumar
Former VC, CIFE & Expert - FAO / NITI Ayog, Govt. of India
Dr. V. Rajagopalan, IAS (Retd.)
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1245 – 1300
Observations by Panelists
PANEL Members

1300 – 1310
Felicitation of Session Chairs, Speakers & Panelists

1310 – 1315
Vote of Thanks:
Dr. P. Krishnan
Director, BOBP-IGO

1315 – 1400
Lunch and Disassembly
Fishers are facing a nightmare owing to the changing climate. It is particularly true for the millions of small-scale fishers, who rely only on fishing for their living. Climate change is altering our understanding and experience of the Mother Sea, as well as behaviour of fish and the fishing patterns. The lives and property of thousands of fisher families living near the coast are being jeopardized by sea level rise and climate-induced weather uncertainties.

Climate risk insurance, which is gaining popularity worldwide, could be an option for dealing with the evolving risk landscape.

The Symposium Provides a Platform to:

- Understand the status of insurance in the fisheries sector in South Asia.
- Promote cross learning and collaboration in climate risk insurance research.