



Enhancing India-Pakistan Trade
Date: February 2-3, 2015
Venue: Longchamp Hall, Hotel Taj Man Singh, New Delhi

Programme

Day 1: February 2, 2015 (Monday)

09:45-10:00 am	Registration
10:00-11:00 am	<p><u>Inaugural Session</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcome remarks: Isher Judge Ahluwalia, <i>Chairperson, ICRIER</i>• Keynote Address: Yashwant Sinha, <i>Former Union Minister for Finance and External Affairs</i> <p><i>Book release: “India-Pakistan Trade - Strengthening Economic Relations”</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Vote of Thanks : Rajat Kathuria, <i>Director & CE, ICRIER</i>
11:00-11:15 am	Tea/Coffee
11:15-12.45 pm	<p><u>Session 1: India-Pakistan Trade Normalisation: Prospects and Challenges</u></p> <p>Chair – Ishrat Husain, <i>Dean & Director, IBA Karachi</i></p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nisha Taneja, <i>Professor, ICRIER</i>• Muchkund Dubey, <i>President, Council for Social Development, New Delhi</i>• Abid Qaiyum Suleri, <i>Executive Director, SDPI, Pakistan</i>• A. M. Gondane, <i>Joint Secretary, SAARC, Ministry of External Affairs, India</i>• S. A. Hasnain, <i>Visiting Fellow, Vivekananda International Foundation</i>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • S. Akbar Zaidi, <i>Political Economist, Karachi</i> • Neelam Deo, <i>Director, Gateway House, Mumbai</i>
12:45-01:30 pm	Lunch
01:30-02:45 pm	<p><u>Session 2: Informal Trade: Why Does it Continue to Persist?</u></p> <p>Chair – Nisha Taneja, <i>Professor, ICRIER</i></p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vaqar Ahmed, <i>Deputy Executive Director, SDPI, Pakistan</i> • Manoj Pant, <i>Professor, JNU</i> • Manab Majumdar, <i>Assistant Secretary General, FICCI</i> • Bipul Chatterjee, <i>Director, CUTS</i> • Ram Upendra Das, <i>Professor, RIS, New Delhi</i>
02:45-03:00 pm	Tea/Coffee
03:00-04:15 pm	<p><u>Session 3: Non-Tariff Barriers: Real and Perceived</u></p> <p>Chair – Sanjay Kathuria, <i>Lead Economist, Regional Integration, World Bank</i></p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Selim Raihan, <i>Executive Director, South Asian Network on Economic Modelling, Dhaka</i> • Aisha Ghaus Pasha, <i>Member, Provincial Assembly of Punjab, Pakistan</i> • Majyd Aziz, <i>Former President, Karachi Chamber of Commerce and Industry</i> • I. N. Mukherjee, <i>Former Professor, JNU</i> • Muhammad Irfan Tarar, <i>Minister Trade, Pakistan High Commission</i> • T. S. Vishwanath, <i>Principal Adviser, APJ-SLG Law Offices, New Delhi</i> • Syed Turab Hussain, <i>Head of Department of Economics, Lahore University of Management Sciences</i>
04:15-04:30 pm	Tea/Coffee
04:30-05:45 pm	<p><u>Session 4: Energy Cooperation</u></p> <p>Chair – Zafar Mahmood, <i>Chairman, Water and Power Development</i></p>

	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Authority, Pakistan</i></p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Narendra Taneja, <i>Convener BJP Energy Cell and Energy Expert and Commentator</i> • Deepak Amitabh, <i>Chairman and Managing Director, Power Trading Corporation (PTC), New Delhi</i> • Ijaz Nabi, <i>Country Director, International Growth Centre, Pakistan</i> • Rakesh Kumar, <i>Director (Power Systems), Solar Energy Corporation of India</i> • Pradeep Mehta, <i>Secretary General, CUTS</i> • Mahendra Lama, <i>Professor, Jawaharlal Nehru University</i> • Nitya Nanda, <i>Fellow, The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI)</i>
07:00 pm	<p><u>Special Address by Abdul Basit, Pakistan's High Commissioner to India</u></p> <p><u>Special Session: Enhancing India Pakistan Trade-Perspectives from Business</u></p> <p>Chair – Isher Judge Ahluwalia, <i>Chairperson, ICRIER</i></p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sunil Munjal, <i>Joint Managing Director, Hero MotoCorp</i> • Syed Yawar Ali, <i>Chairman, Nestle Pakistan Ltd.</i> • Rakesh Bharti Mittal, <i>Vice-Chairman & Managing Director, Bharti Enterprises Ltd.</i> • Sikandar Mustafa Khan, <i>Chairman, Millat Group, Pakistan</i>
Day 2: February 3, 2015 (Tuesday)	
09:30-11:00 am	<p><u>Session 5: Transport Connectivity</u></p> <p>Chair – Arvind Mehta, <i>Joint Secretary, (SAARC), Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, India</i></p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manzoor Ahmad, <i>Managing Director, World Trade Advisors</i> • Manoj Krishna Akhouri, <i>Executive Director, Traffic Transportation, Railway Board and Director CRWC, India</i>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chander Agarwal, <i>Executive Director, TCIL</i> • Nagesh Kumar, <i>Head, United Nations ESCAP South and South-West Asia Office, New Delhi</i> • Y. S. Shahrawat, <i>Chairman, Land port Authority of India</i> • Muhammad Anwar, <i>Owner and CEO, Custom Syndicate, Pakistan</i>
11:00-11:15 pm	Tea/Coffee
11:15-12:45 pm	<p><u>Session 6: Telecommunication Networks</u></p> <p>Chair – Rahul Khullar, <i>Chairman, Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI)</i></p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • V. Sridhar, <i>Professor, IIT, Bangalore</i> • Rajan S. Mathews, <i>Director General, Cellular Operators Association of India</i> • Parvez Iftikhar, <i>International ICT Consultant</i> • Rajat Kathuria, <i>Director & CE, ICRIER</i>
12:45-02:00 pm	Lunch
02:00-03:00 pm	<p><u>Session 7: Visa regime: The Critical Link</u></p> <p>Chair – Sachin Chaturvedi, <i>Director-General, RIS</i></p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Syed Yawar Ali, <i>Chairman, Nestle Pakistan Ltd</i> • Atindra Sen, <i>Former Director General, Bombay Chamber of Commerce and Industry</i> • Zubair Ahmad, <i>Former President, Federation of Pakistan, Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FPCCI), Karachi</i> • Ijaz Ahmad Mumtaz, <i>President, Lahore Chamber of Commerce and Industry</i> • Akshay Mathur, <i>Head of Research, Gateway House, Mumbai</i> • Pardeep Sehgal, <i>Partner, Sinochem Impex, Amritsar and Vice-President, Indian Importers Association</i>
03:00-03:15 pm	Tea/Coffee

03:15-4:30 pm	<p><u>Session 8: Role of Media</u></p> <p>Chair – Vikram Chandra, <i>CEO & MD, New Delhi Television Limited (NDTV)</i></p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chandan Mitra, <i>Editor & MD, The Pioneer</i> • Salman Shah, <i>Former Finance Minister, Pakistan</i> • Najam Sethi, <i>Editor-in-Chief, Friday Times</i> • Shujaat Bukhari, <i>Editor-in-Chief, Rising Kashmir</i> • Suhasini Haidar, <i>Strategic & Diplomatic Affairs Editor, The Hindu</i> • Wamiq A. Zuberi, <i>Editor & Chief Executive, Business Recorder</i> • Ajai Shukla, <i>Consulting Editor, Business Standard</i>
04:30-05:00 pm	Concluding Remarks