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HEAT & AIR POLLUTION IN INDIA: EVIDENCE, IMPACTS, AND SOLUTIONS Kolkata chapter

Stakeholder Workshop Agenda Date- 20th March, 2025; Venue- Polo Floatel, Kolkata

TIME	PARTICULARS	DESIGNATED PEOPLE	
9:00 am - 10:00 am	Registration	Meet and Greet	
INTRODUCTORY SESSION by Dr. Aditi Kundu, Senior Research Manager, SwitchON Foundation			
I0:00 am - I0:I0 am	Welcome Address	Mr. Vinay Jaju, Executive Director, SwitchON Foundation	
I0:I0 am - I0:20 am	Keynote Address	Ms. Barbara Voss, Consulate General of the Federal Republic of Germany, Kolkata	
I0:20 am - I0:30 am	Chief Guest Address	Mr. Debasish Kumar, Member Mayor In Council (Parks and Squares), Kolkata Municipal Corporation	
I0:30 am - II:00 am	Special Address	I. Dr. Somenath Dutta, Head, Regional Meteorological Center, Kolkata 2. Prof. Sagnik Dey, Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi 3. Dr. Kristin Aunan, Research Director, Centre for International Climate Research (CICERO), Norway	
II:00 am - II:05 am	Vote of Thanks	Mr. Ajay Mittal, Executive Consultant, SwitchON Foundation, Kolkata	
II:05 am - II:I0 am	Photo Session	Group Photo	
II:I0 am - II:20 am	An overview of COPE	Dr. Sourangsu Chowdhury, Senior Researcher, Centre for International Climate Research (CICERO)	
II:20 am - II:30 am	Discussion - "Air pollution early warning system"	Dr. Gaurav Govardhan, Scientist, Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology, Pune	
PANEL DISCUSSION: I			
II:30 am - I:00 pm	Panel Discussion on Heat, air pollution and health in Kolkata: Current Status and New Initiatives	Moderator: Dr. Jayanta Basu, Senior Environment Journalist Dr. Anumita Roychowdhury, Executive Director of Research and Advocacy, Centre for Science and Environment (Joining Virtually) Mr. Anupam Ray, Senior Consultant and Advisor	

















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NETWORKING LUNCH			
2:00 pm - 2:15 pm	Special Speech - "Smart Cities - A Solution to Air Pollution"	Mr. Debashis Sen (IAS), Former 'Chairman & Managing Director' of Housing Infrastructure Development Corporation (HIDCO) and Founder Director & CEO of New Bengal Consulting.	
PANEL DISCUSSION: 2			
2:15 pm - 3:15 pm	Panel Discussion on Impact of Heat and Air Pollution on Health - Doctors' Perspectives	Session Chair: Prof. Sagnik Dey, Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi Dr. Arup Halder, Consultant Pulmonologist, Calcutta Medical Research Institute (CMRI) Hospital Dr. Kaustav Choudhury, Consultant Paediatrician, Apollo Multispeciality Hospital, Kolkata. Dr. Sanjukta Dutta, Head of Emergency Medicine, Fortis Hospital Dr. Koushik Chaki, Clinical Cardiologist, Executive Member West Bengal Doctors Forum. Dr. Suman Mallik, Clinical Director & Chief of Radiation Oncology, NH Narayana Superspeciality Hospital.	
3:15 pm - 4:15 pm	Breakout Group Discussions		
4:I5 pm - 4:45 pm	Group Discussion Summary Presentation by Rapporteurs from each group		
4:45 pm - 5:00 pm	Wrap-up and next steps	Dr. Kristin Aunan, Research Director, Centre for International Climate Research (CICERO), Norway	
High Tea 5:00 pm			













