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Third Conference of Election Management Bodies of SAARC Countries

April 30 to May 2, 2012, Ashok Hotel, New Delhi,

30th April, 2012 (Monday) – Day 1

0930 hrs Registration

0945 hrs Convene in the *Conference Hall*

1000 hrs **INAUGURAL SESSION**

(Open to media)

National Anthem

Presentation of Bouquets

Welcome Speech by Mr. H.S. Brahma, Election Commissioner of India

Speech by Mr. V.S. Sampath, Election Commissioner of India

Inaugural Address by Dr. S. Y. Quraishi, Chief Election Commissioner of India

Outlining the Agenda by Mr. Akshay Rout, Director General, ECI

1050 hrs Photo opportunity for Media

1100 hrs Tea Break

SESSION – II

1115 hrs : Presentation by Election Commission of Afghanistan (20 mins.)
followed by Discussion (20 mins.)
Chaired and moderated by EC of Sri Lanka

1155 hrs : Presentation by Bangladesh (20 mins.) followed by
Discussion (20 mins.)
Chaired and moderated by CEC of Pakistan

1235 hrs : Presentation by Bhutan (20 mins.) followed by Discussion
(20 mins.)
Chaired and moderated by CEC of Nepal

1315 hrs : Lunch

SESSION – III

1400 hrs : Presentation by India (20 mins.) followed by Discussion (20 mins.)
Chaired and moderated by EC of Maldives

1440 hrs : Presentation by Maldives (20 mins.) followed by Discussion (20 mins.)
Chaired and moderated by India, Mr. V.S. Sampath, Election Commissioner of India

1520 hrs : Coffee/ Tea Break

SESSION – IV

1540 hrs : Presentation by Nepal (20 mins.) followed by Discussion (20 mins.)
Chaired and moderated by CEC of Bhutan

1620 hrs : Presentation by Pakistan (20 mins.) followed by Discussion (20 mins.)
Chaired and moderated by CEC of Bangladesh

End of Day 1 Sessions

1645 hrs : Departure to IIIDEM Project Site, Dwarka (by Group Transport)

1730 hrs : Foundation Stone Laying Ceremony for IIIDEM

1845 hrs : Return from Dwarka to hotel.

1945 hrs : Cultural Programme (at Hotel)

2030 hrs : Ceremonial Dinner (at Hotel)

1st May, 2012 (Tuesday) – Day 2

SESSION – V

0930 hrs : Presentation by Sri Lanka (20 mins.) followed by Discussion (20 mins.)
Chaired and moderated by EC of Afghanistan.

SESSION – VI

1020 hrs : Discussion on SAARC EMBs Cooperation - Next Steps Forum (Charter)

1100 hrs : Coffee/ Tea Break

1120 hrs : Discussion and Finalisation of Charter of SAARC EMBs

1300 hrs : Lunch

CONCLUDING SESSION

1400 hrs : Summary of the Presentations of EMBs by Mr. H.S. Brahma, Election Commissioner of India

1430 hrs : Conference Declaration – Mr. V.S. Sampath, Election Commissioner of India

1530 hrs : Coffee/ Tea Break

1545 hrs : Concluding remarks by SAARC CECs (5 min each) and Valedictory remarks by CEC, India

1615 hrs : Vote of Thanks by DG(AR)

1630hrs : National Anthem

1645hrs : Photo Session –
All CECs/ ECs
All Delegates.

1700 hrs : Conference concludes

2nd May, 2012 (Wednesday) – Day 3

Option 1:

0730 hrs : Departure to Agra (by Group Transport)
: Break at Mathura (15 mins.)
1130 hrs : Arrival at Agra
: Visit to Taj Mahal and other tourist spots
1400 hrs : LUNCH
1500 hrs : Departure to Fatehpur Sikri
1730 hrs : Departure to Delhi
: Break at Mathura (30 Mins.)
2200 hrs : Arrival at Delhi (Hotel)

Option 2:

0830 hrs : Departure to Humayun's Tomb (by Group Transport)
: Visit to other tourist spots
1300 hrs : LUNCH
1900 hrs : Arrival at Hotel