



Sustainable Mountain Development Summit – VIII Shillong, Meghalaya 4th-6th Nov 2019

Theme: Livelihood & Entrepreneurship for Youth
Venue: North Eastern Council (NEC), Nongrim Hills, Shillong

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3rd Nov 2019 (Sun)	Delegates arrive in Shillong
4th Nov 2019 Inaugural Program (NEC Auditorium)	
Chair: Mr. Sushil Ramola, President, IMI Co-Chair: Mr. Ram Muivah, IAS, Secretary, NEC Chief Guest: Chief Minister of Meghalaya	
9:00-10:00 AM (1 hr)	Participant Registration and Networking – Tea will be served
10:05 AM	Participants to be seated in the Auditorium.
10:05 – 10:15 AM	Arrival of Chief Guest
10:15-10:25 AM (10 minutes)	(a) Welcome song: By MLCU Music Department [4 minutes] (b) Invocation: Reading of short passages from the Holy Books: [Total 6 minutes] <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hindu (Veda / Bhagavad Gita)• Muslim (Koran/Quran)• Sikh (Guru Granth Sahib)• Buddhism (Tripitakas)• Niam Khasi Niam Tynrai (Seng Khasi)• Christian (Bible)
10:25-10:30 AM (5 mins)	Welcome address: Mr. TTC Marak , Convenor, SMDS VIII
10:30-10:40 AM (10 mins)	About IMI, State Chapters and SMDS: Ms. Fantry Mein Jaswal , Secretary, IMI
10:40-10:50 AM (10 mins)	Address on the Theme and Sub-Themes of SMDS VIII: Mr. Sushil Ramola, President, IMI
10:50-11:10 PM (20 mins)	IMI Partners' Remarks on Theme of SMDS-VIII
11:10-11:25 AM (15 mins)	Special Talk- An Entrepreneur's Life Story
11:25 -11:40 AM (15 mins)	Key Note Address: Call for Action on Mountain Priorities – focus on Youth and Entrepreneurship: Dr. David Molden/ Dr Eklabya Sharma*
11:40-12:00 PM (20 mins)	Address by the Chief Guest, the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Meghalaya Shri Conrad K. Sangma
12:00 -12:15 PM (15 mins)	Sponsors' remarks/ State Chapters?
12:15-12:20 PM (5 mins)	Sessional arrangement & logistics announcement: Dr Subhasish Das Gupta , Organising Secretary, SMDS VIII
12:20-12:25 PM (5 mins)	Vote of thanks: Dr Larilin Kharpuri , Co-Organising Secretary, SMDS VIII
12:25-12:30 PM (5 mins)	Group photograph (venue to be announced)
12:30 PM	Inauguration of Exhibition/Stalls by Chief Guest
12:30-13:00 PM (30 mins)	Visit to stalls and interactions- Exhibitors from the market
13:00-14:00 PM (1 hr)	Lunch

Plenary Session 1 (NEC Auditorium)		
Chairperson: Mr. P.D. Rai, Councillor IMI		
14:00-14:05 PM (5 mins)	Welcome remarks by the Chairperson	
14:05-14:15 PM (10 mins)	Purpose and expected outcomes of the thematic sessions: Mr. Ramesh Negi, Vice President, IMI	
14:15-14:25 PM (10 mins)	(a) Explanation on Role of Session Moderators and Rapporteurs: Ms. Priyadashini, Jt. Secretary, IMI (b) Explanation on Methods of Group Discussion & Announcement for groupings: Dr. Lalbiakmawia Ngente, Vice President, IMI	
Break-out Thematic Sessions: Participants move to their respective halls		
14:30 – 16:30 PM (2 hrs)	Sub-theme 1: Agriculture (Technology, Climate Change, Water Security)	Sub-theme 2: Renewable energy & energy efficiency
	Venue: Hall 1(Auditorium)	Venue: Hall 2 (Conference Hall)
	Session Chair: Mr. Alemtemshi Jamir, Councillor, IMI	Session Chair: Mr. Rajendra Dhoal, Councilor IMI
14:30-14:40 PM (10 mins)	Introduction of the Theme & Speakers by Session Chair	Introduction of the Theme & Speakers by Session Chair
14:40-14:55 PM (15 mins)	Key Note speaker: Dr. Suhas P. Wani (ICRISAT)	Key Note speaker: Bharti Gupta Ramola*
14:55 – 15:10 PM (15 mins)	Youth speaker: TBD*	Youth speaker: Reuben Gergan, LREDA*
	Breakout session 1: Panel Discussion including Q&A	Breakout session 2: Panel Discussion including Q&A
15:10 – 16:15 PM (1 hr)	<i>Panelists:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr B.C. Deka, Director, ATARI, ICAR, Umiam: Government: <i>Government approach and challenges in E-agriculture</i> • Representative, NASSCOM*: <i>Emerging trends in Agriculture</i> • Karma Bhutia: Artificial Intelligence for Agriculture. • Asha Impact*: <i>Experience of investors and investees on Agri-business and rural supply chain</i> • TBD* 	<i>Panelists:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Schneider Electric*- <i>Challenges in renewable energy generation and distribution in the region.</i> • Rockefeller Foundation*- <i>Renewable Energy usage in the North East</i> • Member Secretary, MNREDA, GoM- <i>Energy Policies in the NE/Government initiatives to promote use of renewable energy in the region.</i> • Fresh Air Waste Management Services*- <i>Bio-waste to energy</i> • Mangaal Rural*: <i>Affordable tools for high accessibility of renewable energy</i>
16:15-16:25 (10 mins)	Concluding remarks by Session Chair	Concluding remarks by Session Chair
16:30-16:35 PM (5 mins)	Program Announcements	
16:35 PM	Tea	
17:00 PM	Press Note/Briefing	
Cultural Program		
18:00-19:30 PM	Venue: Auditorium Hall	
19:30-20:30 PM	Dinner	

5th Nov 2019		
Break-out Thematic Sessions (Auditorium Hall)		
9:45- 10:00 AM	Tea will be served	
10:00- 11:55 PM (1 hr 55 mins)	Sub-theme 3: Food processing & agri-business	Sub-theme 4: Sustainable tourism
	Venue: Hall 1 (Auditorium)	Venue: Hall 2 (Conference Hall)
	Session Chair: TBD*	Session Chair: TBD*
10:00-10:10 AM (10 mins)	Introduction of the Theme & Speakers by Session Chair	Introduction of the Theme & Speakers by Session Chair
10:10-10:25 AM (15 mins)	Key speaker: Mr. Krishan Rautela, ADB*	Key speaker: ITC Sustainable Tourism Head*
10:25-10:40 AM (15 mins)	Youth speaker: Himalaya2home*	Youth speaker: Mr.Pranjal Konwar, COO, The Nest, IIM Calcutta Innovation Park (Experiences of incubating start-ups for the North East region)
	Breakout session 3: Sessional Panel discussion including Q&A	Breakout session 4: Sessional Panel discussion including Q&A
10:40-11:55 AM (1 hr 15 mins)	<p><i>Panelists:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saurabh Endley/Iboyaima Meitei, NERAMAC*- Market linkage • Secretary; Agriculture/Horticulture/Food Processing, GoM- Policy interventions for food processing. • Coca-Cola*: Initiatives for fruit circular economy • Eli Chaoba, Dweller Tea*: Experiences of setting up • Meira Foods*: Community Involvement • TRIF, Tata Trusts*: Agri-value chain 	<p><i>Panelists:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Neikedolie Heikka, Eco Tourism/FinderBridge/ChaloHoppo /Eco Trek Purna Deka*- Challenges/Initiatives for sustainable tourism. • Hornbill Festival*- Responsible Tourism (Waste management) • Mr. Rothell Khongsit, Village Development & Promotion Tourism Cooperative Society- Initiatives taken for sustainable tourism • Secretary, Tourism, GoM- Policy interventions for sustainable tourism. • AirBnb*: Opportunities in Hospitality for Micro-entrepreneurs in NE • HolidayIQ*- Travel information Portal
11:55-12:05 PM (10 mins)	Wrap-up & concluding remarks by Session Chairperson	Wrap-up & concluding remarks by Session Chairperson
Participants move to the Auditorium Hall		
Plenary 2		
Concluding Break-out Sessions		
12:15- 12:30 PM (15 mins)	Special Talk: Entrepreneurial Support System (Villgro*)	
12:30- 12:45 PM (15 mins)	Journey of an Entrepreneur: Mr Neichute Doulo, CEO, Entrepreneurs' Association (EA), Nagaland*	
12:45- 13:00 PM (15 mins)	Concluding remarks: Chairperson (of Plenary 1)	
13:00- 14:00 PM (1 hr)	Lunch break	
Plenary Session 3:		
On Building Youth Entrepreneurship Ecosystem (Auditorium Hall)		
Chairperson: Mr. Sushil Ramola, President, IMI		
14:00-14:10 PM (10 mins)	Chairperson's Welcome & remarks on the session	

14:10-14:30 PM (20 mins)	Presentation by Rapporteurs on each sub-theme TS1. E-Agriculture TS2. Renewable energy TS3. Food processing & agribusiness TS4. Sustainable tourism
14:30-15:45 PM (1 hr 15 mins)	PANEL Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy Interventions: Ram Muivah -Overview for all the mountain states • Investment & Funding Sources: Shri S. Paul Muktieh, CMD, NEDFi* • Skilling and Support for Entrepreneurship: Ms Jyotsna Sitling, Jt. Secretary, MSDE* • Access to Knowledge: ICIMOD* • Creating jobs for communities: Udhyam se Unnati* (https://udhyamentrepreneurs.org/) • Big Basket* • Hekani Jakhalu, YouthNet* Each Panelist will have 5-6 minutes before discussion
15:45-16:00 PM (15 mins)	Q and A Audience and Panelists
16:00-16:15 PM (15 mins)	Summary and concluding remarks by the Chairperson
16:15-16:30 PM (15 mins)	Tea break
Valedictory Program (Auditorium)	
Chairperson: Mr. Alemtemshi Jamir, Councillor, IMI Co-Chair: Dr. Vincent Darlong, Councillor, IMI Chief Guest: Shri Kiren Rijiju, Youth Affairs Minister	
16:30 PM	Participants to be seated in Conference Hall
16:30 PM	Arrival of Chief Guest
16:30-16:35 PM (5 mins)	Seating of Chief Guest and other dignitaries on the dais
16:35-16:40 PM (5 mins)	Welcome address by Dr. Vincent Darlong, SMDS VIII
16:40-16:55 PM (15 mins)	Presentation of outcomes and recommendations of SMDS-VIII: Mr. Sushil Ramola, President IMI.
16:55-17:05 PM (10 mins)	Role of State Chapters for taking forward recommendations of SMDS VIII: Mr. Amba Jamir/ Rigzin Spalbar
17:05-17:15 PM (10 mins)	Dr. RS Tolia Award-2019: G S Rawat, Treasurer, IMI
17:15-17:25 PM (10 mins)	Passing on the baton: A few words from the host of SMDS-IX
17:25-17:40 PM (15 mins)	Chairperson's Concluding Remarks
17:40-18:00 PM (20 mins)	Address by the Chief Guest: Shri Kiren Rijiju, Youth Affairs Minister
18:00-18:05 PM (5 mins)	Vote of thanks
18:05-18:10 PM (5 mins)	National Anthem
18:10-18:15 PM (5 mins)	Program Announcements
18:15-18:30 PM (15 mins)	Tea & Press Note
18:30-19:30 PM (1 hr)	Cultural Program by MLCU
19:30-20:30 PM (1 hr)	Dinner

6th Nov 2019 Annual General Meeting (AGM)- Open to IMI members only	
10:00 – 13:00 PM	Venue: TBD
13:00-14:00	Lunch

6th Nov 2019 Legislators' Meet- Participation by invite only	
15:00-17:30 PM	Venue: Convention Centre, Hall II, Pinewood Hotel
17:30 PM	High Tea

7th Nov 2019 Field Visit (Self-Financed)	
7:30-8:30 AM	Departure for those who are not participating in the self-financed Field Visit
7:30 AM	Departure for Field Visit (proposed site: Mawlynnong – Asia's Cleanest village + Living Roots bridge + Balancing natural rock)
6:00 PM	Return from field visit and stay in Shillong.

8th Nov 2019	
7:30-8:30 AM	Departure of all participants

*To be confirmed

Supported By:



Rapporteurs

Sub-theme 1

Ms. Abandapalalei Wahlan
Ms. Hayley Dora Khararbi Donn
Dr. Egira Shadap

Sub-theme 2

Ms. Alino Sumi
Ms. Janice B. Shadap
Marbaniang
Dr. Amit Gurung

Sub-theme 3

Mr. James Thoudam Singh
Ms. Ibansaralyne Thabah Synthiang
Ms. Melodynia Marpna

Sub-theme 4

Ms. Rebecca Kingbawl
Ms Claireen Cynthia Fancon
Ms. Nadeen Pakyntein

In reserve – Rapporteurs

Dr. Anamika Upadhya
Dr. Porsora M.J. Kharbih
Mr. Arwan Lyngdoh

Mr Celestial Passah
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