



## **International Conference on Food Security in SAARC**

On Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2009

At Amaltas Hall, India Habitat Centre, Lodhi Road, New Delhi 110 003, India

11:00-11:30 am : Registration and Tea / Coffee

Session I

11:30-1:00pm : Welcome and Introductory remarks by

Mr. Shrawan Nigam, Senior Consultant, ICRIER

Chair: Dr. Panjab Singh, Ex- DG, ICAR

Presentation on Synthesis Paper "Way to achieve Food security

in SAARC Region"

Dr. Surabhi Mittal, Senior Fellow ICRIER

Open Discussion

1:00-2:00 pm : **Lunch break** 

Session II

2:00-3:30 pm : Chair: Dr. Purushottam K. Mudbhary, Chief, Policy

Assistance Branch, FAO Regional Office for Asia and the

Pacific (RAP)

**Discussion on Country papers** 

**Panelist** 

• Sri Lanka paper by Dr. P. A. Samaratunga

• Bhutan paper by Dr. Dil Bhadur Rahut

• India paper by Dr. Surabhi Mittal

• Maldives paper by Ms. Deepti Sethi

Nepal paper by Dr. Khim K. Sharma

Bangladesh paper by Mr. Subir Kanti Bairagi

Open Discussion

3:30-4:00 pm : **Tea / Coffee break** 

Session III : Brainstorming on Way Forward for ensuring Food Security

in South Asia

4:00-5:30 pm : Chair: Amb. Santosh Kumar, Senior Consultant, ICRIER

**Panelist** 

Mr. P. K. Mishra, Ex Secretary, MoA, GoI
Dr. P. K. Joshi, Director, NCAP, ICAR
Dr. Purushottam K. Mudbhary, FAO-RAP

• Dr. V. Shunmugam, Chief Economist, MCX

Open Discussion

5:30 pm : Vote of Thanks- Dr. Surabhi Mittal

7:30 pm : Dinner at Pool Deck- India Habitat Center