



The International
Centre Goa



Indian Public Diplomacy
Division, Ministry of External
Affairs, Government of India

Annual South Asia Media Summit - 2010

***Women in Media in South Asia:
Partners in Development***

Organised by

**The International Centre Goa (ICG)
Friedrich Ebert Stiftung (FES) - India**

and

Public Diplomacy Division, Ministry of External Affairs, Govt. of India

in association with

Media Information and Communication Centre of India (MICCI)

and

Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi

Venue

**The International Centre Goa, Dona Paula- Goa
November 22-24, 2010**



Jamia Millia Islamia

PROGRAMME

Sunday, November 21, 2010- Evening

Arrival, Check-in and Registration of Participants at The International Centre Goa

2000 hrs **Cocktails and Welcome Dinner**

Monday, November 22, 2010

0900- 1025 hrs **Registration of local participants**

1030 hrs **Arrival of the Chief Guest, H E Dr. Shivinder Singh Sidhu**

INAUGURAL SESSION

1032 - 1034 hrs **National Anthem**

Lighting of lamp by the Chief Guest & Organizers

1034 - 1035 hrs Introduction by **Shri Arjun Halarnkar**, Programme Manager, ICG

1035 – 1040 hrs Welcome Address and seminar perspectives by
Ms. Nandini Sahai, Director- ICG and Hon. Director- MICCI

1040 – 1045 hrs Opening Remarks by **Dr. Felix Schmidt**, Resident Representative, FES India

1045 - 1055 hrs Introductory Remarks by **Shri T N Anantha Krishna**, Director
(Public Diplomacy), Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India

1055 - 1105 hrs Introductory Remarks by **Ms. Veena Sikri**, Ford Foundation Chair, Jamia
Millia Islamia & former Indian High Commissioner to Bangladesh

1105 – 1115 hrs Participant's Representative address by **Ms. Maryam Suhana**, Maldives

1115 – 1125 hrs Special Address by **Hon'ble Shri. Pratapsingh Rane**, President, The
International Centre Goa and Speaker, Goa Legislative Assembly

1125 – 1145 hrs Inaugural Address by **His Excellency Dr. S S Sidhu**, the Governor of Goa

Official launch of 'SWAN' website by H E Dr. S S Sidhu

1145 – 1150 hrs Vote of Thanks by **Shri Collin Curry**, Trustee, MICCI

1150 hrs **National Anthem**

1151 – 1215 hrs **TEA/ COFFEE BREAK**

1215 – 1400 hrs Session I

Women in Media: Livelihood, Development and the Environment

Chairperson: Mr. Prateek Pradhan, Nepal

Opening Remarks: Mr. Ishwar Bhat, India

Speaker 1: Ms. Mina Sherzoy Wazir Akbar Khan, Afghanistan

Speaker 2: Ms. Tahmina Rahman, Bangladesh

Speaker 3: Ms. Parul Sharma, India

Discussant 1: Ms. Zoia Tariq, Pakistan; **Discussant 2:** Ms. Vartika Nanda, India

(Each speaker 10 minutes, Discussion 20 minutes)

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1400 - 1500 LUNCH

1500– 1730 hrs Session II

Women in Media: Peace, Security and Conflict Prevention

Chairperson: Mr. Gouridasan Nair, India

Opening Remarks: Dr. Sanjita Verma, Nepal

Speaker 1: Ms. Seema Guha, India

Speaker 2: Ms. Manjula Sanjeevani Perera, SriLanka

Speaker 3: Ms. Sapna Shahani, India

Discussant 1: Ms. Mariana Baabar, Pakistan; **Discussant 2:** Ms. Kajalie Shehreen Islam, Bangladesh

(Each speaker 15 minutes, Discussion 45 minutes)

**Tea/Coffee & Refreshments will be available in the lobby throughout the session*

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1730 - 1900 hrs Free time for participants to go into town etc

**1930 hrs Participants assemble at ICG Reception to be taken out for
COCKTAILS and DINNER**

Tuesday, November 23, 2010

1030– 1300 hrs Session III

Women in Media: Strengthening Democracy through Networking and Shared Cultural Values

Chairperson: Ms. Yashoda Devi Timsina, Nepal

Opening Remarks: Ms. Mariyam Suhana, Maldives

Speaker 1: Ms. Moneeza Hashmi, Pakistan

Speaker 2: Ms. Jyoti Malhotra, India

Speaker 3: Ms. Usha Bhasin, India

Discussant 1: Ms. Sonam Pelden, Bhutan; **Discussant 2:** Ms. Veena Sikri, India

(Each speaker 10 minutes, Discussion 15 minutes)

**Tea/Coffee & Refreshments will be available in the lobby throughout the session*

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1300 – 1400 hrs LUNCH

1400- 1630 hrs Session IV

Women in Media-Social Issues I: Education and Health

Chairperson: Ms. Uzma Aleem, Pakistan

Opening Remarks: Ms. Meena Bhatta , Nepal

Speaker 1: Ms. Ammu Joseph, India

Speaker 2: Ms. Tashi Choden, Bhutan

Speaker 3: Ms. Nishani Jessica Marina Dissanayake, SriLanka

Discussant 1: Ms. Munni Saha, Bangladesh; **Discussant 2:** Ms. Rehana Hakim, Pakistan

(Each speaker 15 minutes, Discussion 45 minutes)

**Tea/Coffee & Refreshments will be available in the lobby throughout the session*

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1630 - 1900 hrs Free time for participants to go into town etc

**1930 hrs Participants assemble at ICG Reception to be taken out for
COCKTAILS and DINNER**

Wednesday, November 24, 2008

0930– 1100 hrs Session V

Women in Media-Social Issues II: Nutrition and Food Security

Chairperson: Mr. Rahimullah Khan Yusufzai, Pakistan

Opening Remarks: Ms. Tin Tin Win, Myanmar

Speaker 1: Ms. Manisha Ghimire, Nepal

Speaker 2: Ms. Jamila Mujahed, Afghanistan

Speaker 3: Ms. Neena Gopal, India

Discussant 1: Mr. Ibrahim Mohamed, Maldives; **Discussant 2:** Mr. Zafar Sobhan, Bangladesh

(Each speaker 10 minutes, Discussion 20 minutes)

**Tea/Coffee & Refreshments will be available in the lobby throughout the session*

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1100 – 1200 hrs Recommendations and Future Course of Action: An Open Forum

Chairpersons: Ms. Nandini Sahai and Ms. Veena Sikri

Small group sessions (5 groups, each of approx. 8 participants, to consider an assigned issue, which will form part of the recommendations of the seminar – the composition and chairperson of the groups will be announced in the morning session)

1200 – 1215 hrs Reading of Recommendations by Rapportuer

**1215 – 1220 hrs Vote of Thanks by
Ms. Nandini Sahai, Director- ICG and Hon. Director- MICCI**

1230 hrs onwards LUNCH

Participants leave for home

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ABOUT ORGANISERS

THE INTERNATIONAL CENTRE, GOA (ICG)

The International Centre, Goa (ICG) was founded in June 1987 under the Societies Registration Act (1860) “to promote understanding and amity between parts of the country and with different communities of the world” through a multiplicity of activities. The Centre is an autonomous institution. It relies on grants and donations from local and international institutions to fund its programmes. Residential and non-residential conferences, seminars and training programmes are organized by local, national and international organizations. The Centre also has 44 guest rooms, 3 seminar halls, a restaurant, and several lawns of different sizes that are used for private functions, which could range from small get-togethers to elaborate parties. The ICG’s facilities are located on 14 acres of land on the Taleigao Plateau at Dona Paula, Goa. The plateau overlooks the confluence of the famous Zuari river and Arabian sea.

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FRIEDRICH EBERT STIFTUNG, INDIA OFFICE

The Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES-India) is a non-profit, NGO supported by the Government of Germany. The FES aims at strengthening democratic structures, promoting training and policy-oriented research programmes in Germany and in cooperation with partner organizations in more than 100 countries across the globe. Democracy, justice and solidarity are the guiding principles of the activities of the Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung. Striving for equal rights for women and men is an inalienable principle within this context. To uphold the values of Social Democracy as conceived by Friedrich Ebert, the India office of FES collaborates with policy-makers, academic and research organizations, trade unions, and NGOs in India. Facilitating discussions on crucial issues related to the development process in India is the main objective of FES India work. This is done by providing a platform for interaction at the State, National and South Asia level.

www.fesindia.org

PUBLIC DIPLOMACY DIVISION, MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

Public diplomacy is regarded as the framework of activities by which a government seeks to influence public attitudes in a manner that they become supportive of its foreign policy and national interests. It differs from traditional diplomacy in that public diplomacy goes beyond governments and interfaces primarily with non-governmental individuals and organizations. The Public Diplomacy Division seeks to create a better understanding of India and its foreign policy concerns. We produce publications, documentary films and other material that enables us to showcase our ancient civilisation, a rich cultural heritage, an innovative and entrepreneurial spirit and a dynamic economy that operate within the framework of a secular ethos and a vibrant democracy.

We partner with major domestic and international universities, think tanks and research organizations to organize seminars and conferences on subjects that are relevant to India’s concerns, host delegations from various countries and organizations to provide them with a broad-based exposure to India and organize lectures and other events within India with the objective of fostering a more informed discourse on India’s foreign policy..

Our outreach activities include our popular Lecture Series on India’s Foreign Policy. We also partner with a range of universities and other institutions to organise or support seminars and conferences on themes related to foreign policy. These include dialogue programmes with institutions in the UK, South Korea and Indonesia.

<http://indiandiplomacy.in>

MEDIA INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION CENTRE OF INDIA (MICCI)

MICCI is formally registered as a non-profit Trust mainly devoted to organizing seminars, conferences, workshops, research and publications in the field of media with a national and international focus. We have a network of partners all over India and also South Asia. Some of our longstanding partners include- the Department of Mass Communication, Rajasthan University, Prabhat Khabar Institute of Media Studies, Ranchi, St. Andrews College, Mumbai, Asian College of Journalism, Chennai, Indira School of Communication, Pune, VOICES, Bangalore, South Asian Media Association (SAMA), Hyderabad, Media Education for Awareness and Cultural Transformation (MEDIACT), Kerala, National Institute of Social Work and Social Sciences (NISWASS), Bhubaneswar, Centre for Media Research & Development Studies, Kolkata, Bombay Bar Association and the International Centre, Goa. MICCI will provide a forum to the media to discuss contemporary issues, like Media's role in disaster management and assessing rehabilitation and resettlement work done for Tsunami victims, its role in assessing the State of Democracy in India, Contempt of Court, Training Workshops for Rural Journalists, Challenges facing women journalists and sensitizing the common man for the implementation of the Right to Information Act.

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JAMIA MILLIA ISLAMIA

Jamia Millia Islamia was born during the freedom movement in 1920, in response to Mahatma Gandhi's call for boycotting educational institutions aided and controlled by the British. From its inception, Jamia committed itself to pursuing the ideals of secular education. In 1962, Jamia Millia Islamia was declared a deemed University and in 1988 it was declared a Central University by an act of Parliament, the Jamia Millia Islamia Act. The Academy of Third World Studies (ATWS), named after Jamia co-founder Maulana Mohammed Ali Jauhar, was established in 1988 as an interdisciplinary centre of research, focussing on political, social and economic issues specific to developing societies. Since 2009, the ATWS has been convening each year the Conference on "Women of South Asia: Partners in Development". This Conference brings together the women of South Asia through the eight South Asian Women's Networks (SWANs) that have been established in the sectors of Arts and Literature, Crafts and Textiles, Health and Nutrition, Education, Environment, Women in Peace-Making, Microcredit and Livelihood Development, and Women in Media.

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