

## **India Trade Promotion Organisation**

Re. Expo 2017 – Astana (Kazakhstan) - June 10-September 10, 2017

A meeting under the chairmanship of CMD, ITPO was held at 11.00 am on April 26, 2016 in the Board Room of ITPO with the nodal officers of the concerned Ministries to decide on the sub-themes to be presented at India Pavilion at the Expo 2017.

The following were present in the meeting :

1. Shri L C Goyal, Chairman and Managing Director, ITPO – In Chair
2. Mrs. Shubhra Singh, Executive Director, ITPO
3. Mrs. Meenakshi Singh, OSD, ITPO
4. Dr. A K Tripathi, Advisor, M/o New & Renewable Energy
5. Mrs. Anju Bhalla, Joint Secretary, M/o Power
6. Shri Sunjay Sudhir, Joint Secretary, M/o Petroleum & Natural Gas
7. Dr. Ranjith Krishna Pai, Scientist 'D', D/o Science and Technology
8. Dr. Subrata Bose, Scientist 'E', Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change
9. Shri J Gunasekaran, General Manager, ITPO
10. Shri D M Sharma, FA&CAO, ITPO
11. Shri R P Dhusia, Dy. General Manager, ITPO
12. Shri S R Sahoo, Company Secretary, ITPO
13. Shri Brij Lal, Dy. General Manager

At the outset, CMD, ITPO gave a brief about the forthcoming Expo 2017 and informed the members about the assurance given by our Prime Minister to the President of Kazakhstan during his visit to Kazakhstan in July 2015 about the quality participation of India at Expo 2017.

2. OSD(MS), ITPO gave a brief presentation on the Theme and Sub Themes of the Expo. “Future Energy” as the main theme of Expo 2017 has been broken down into three sub-themes : (1) Reducing CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions, (2) Living Energy Efficiency and (3) Energy for All.

3. It was also informed to the members that participating country may explore in their exhibits as many sub themes as they choose and exploration of each sub-theme should be done by the participant from a minimum of two perspectives to be chosen from the suggestive five and according to the matrix provided by the Organizers.

4. After detailed discussions, it was decided to prepare base/concept papers on two sub-themes – (1) Reducing CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions – Renewable Energy and (2) Living Energy Efficiency - Energy efficiency and urban planning and buildings, for India Pavilion. Concept papers on the Sub Theme (1) will be prepared based on four perspectives, namely, Scientific Research, Cutting-edge Technologies, Governance and Innovative Business Models and for the Sub-Theme (2) based on Governance, Innovative business models and Value Change.

5. MNRE will be the lead Ministry for the Sub-theme – “Reducing CO<sub>2</sub> Emission – Renewable Energy” and prepare the concept paper in consultation with the Department of Science and Technology (DST) and M/o Environment, Forests & Climate Change.

6. M/o Power will be the lead Ministry for the Sub-Theme – “Living Energy Efficiency - Energy Efficiency and Urban Planning and Buildings” and prepare the concept paper in consultation with M/o Urban Development and Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DIPP).

7. The draft concept papers will be submitted by the lead ministries to ITPO by taking inputs from other supporting Ministries as specified by May 20, 2016. The next meeting will be held on May 23, 2016 to discuss and finalize the concept papers.

8. CMD, ITPO also desired that members present in the meeting today will represent their respective Ministries in future meetings on the subject and the Secretaries concerned will be requested to nominate them as nodal officers for Expo 2017.

9. Mrs. Anju Bhalla, JS (Power) was of the view that we must induct Shri Ajay Mathur, DG, TERI as a member as he has a vast knowledge on these subjects and we will benefit from his experience. CMD, ITPO agreed to this and ITPO will request DG, TERI for his valuable services and also assist M/o Power and MNRE in developing the theme concepts.

10. The Secretaries, M/o of Urban Development and DIPP will also be requested by CMD, ITPO to nominate nodal officers to assist the M/o Power to develop concept papers on the sub-theme.

11. To organize seminars and panel discussions during the currency of Expo 2017, the topics and dates will be finalised in consultation with all the Ministries concerned later as the first priority is to develop the concept papers and the Theme Statement which has to be submitted to Expo Authorities by September 01, 2016. After the receipt of concept papers, ITPO will float bids for appointing the agency to design and develop the Theme Pavilion.

12. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

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