

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA OF XXXII MEETING OF THE EMPOWERED STEERING
COMMITTEE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS FOR
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MONTREAL PROTOCOL**

- Date** : 10th August, 2007
- Time** : 3.00 p.m.
- Venue** : Room No. 403 Conference Room,
Paryavaran Bhawan,
CGO Complex,
Lodhi Road,
New Delhi – 110 003
- Item No. 1** : Adoption of the Agenda
- Item No. 2** : Confirmation of Minutes of XXXI Meeting of the
Empowered Steering Committee (ESC).
- Item No. 3** : Action taken on decision of the XXXI ESC.
- Item No. 4** : Progress of Implementation status of the Projects.
- a) Umbrella Project in Foam Sector.
 - b) Umbrella Project in Commercial Refrigeration
Sector.
 - c) National CFC Consumption Phase-out Plan
(NCCoPP).
 - d) CFC Phase out Project.
 - e) National CTC Phase out Plan.
- Item No. 5** : Consideration of the applications received for Duty
Exemption in respect of new or expanded activities with
non-ODS technology.
- Item No. 6** : Any other matters
- a) Date for next Meeting of the ESC.

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ANNOTATED AGENDA OF XXXII MEETING OF THE EMPOWERED STEERING COMMITTEE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MONTREAL PROTOCOL TO BE HELD ON 10th AUGUST 2007.

Item No. 1 : Adoption of the Agenda

The provisional agenda may be adopted.

Item No. 2 : Confirmation of Minutes of the XXXI Empowered Steering Committee (ESC) meeting held on 2nd August, 2006.

The Minutes of XXXI meeting of the (ESC) which was held on 2nd August, 2006 have been circulated to all members. No comments have been received. The Minutes at **Annexure – I** may be confirmed.

Item No. 3 : Action taken on decision of the XXXI ESC.

| S. No | Decision taken in XXX ESC | Action taken on the decision |
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| 1 | Duty exemption applications in respect of new or expanded activities with non-ODS technology approved Post Facto. | Duty exemption certificates for the following enterprises were issued :- a) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ M/s Subros Ltd., U.P. & Haryana ➤ M/s B.A International b) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ M/s Gasa Engineers ➤ M/s Malanpur Entech ➤ M/s U-Foam ➤ M/s Global Autotech Ltd., ➤ M/s Pranav Vikas Ltd., |

Item No. 4 : Progress of Implementation of Projects

a) Progress of Implementation Status of Umbrella Project in Foam Sector

The project was approved in 37th Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Multilateral Fund (MLF), at a total funding level of US\$ 5,424,577, to be provided in five tranches, leading up to the complete phase-out of CFCs in the Foam Sector in India. All the five tranches have been approved by the Executive Committee and released to UNDP.

As per the project document and survey report, a total of 122 enterprises have been endorsed by the Ozone Cell for undertaking conversion activities with non-ODS

technology by the UNDP. The UNDP through its International/National Consultants and Sector Phase-out Plan Unit (SPPU) has been implementing the activities.

At 105 enterprises, conversion activities have been completed for which Handover Protocols have been signed by the stakeholders. For remaining enterprises, the Consultant is preparing the Handover Protocols.

The Committee may kindly take note of the above information.

b) Progress of Implementation Status of Umbrella Project in Commercial Refrigeration Sector

The Plan for Phase-out of CFCs in the Refrigeration (Manufacturing) Sector in India project was approved in 38th Meeting of the Executive Committee of the MLF, at a total funding level of US\$ 3,609,186 to be provided in five tranches, leading up to the complete phase-out of CFCs in the Refrigeration (Mfg.) sector in India. The Project is implemented by the UNDP and UNIDO. All the five tranches have been approved by the Executive Committee and released to the UNDP.

As per the project document and survey report, a total of 157 enterprises have been endorsed by the Ozone Cell for undertaking conversion activities with non-ODS technology by the UNDP. The UNDP through its International/National Consultants and SPPU has been implementing the activities. Foam dispensing machines, charging unit, vacuum pump and leak detectors have been procured and installed at 120 enterprises.

At 146 enterprises, conversion activities have been completed for which Handover Protocols have been signed by the stakeholders. For remaining enterprises, the Consultant is preparing the Handover Protocols.

The Committee may kindly take note of the above information.

c) Implementation Status of the National CFC Consumption Phase-out Plan (NCCoPP)

The National CFC Consumption Phase-out Plan was approved at 42nd meeting of the Executive Committee at a total cost of US\$ 6.388 million. The Government of Germany, as the lead Implementing Agency, has initiated the implementation process. The UNDP has taken steps

for procurement of equipments. The UNEP has also initiated activities to launch the awareness programme and National Academy of Customs, Excise and Narcotics (NACEN) is coordinating for the Customs and Policy Training. So far, the MLF has approved two tranches amounting to US\$ 6 millions.

The progress of various activities made upto June 2007 are given at **Annexure-II**.

The Committee may kindly take note of the above information.

d) Implementation Status of CFC Production Phase out Project.

The CFC production sector gradual phase out project was approved in 29th Meeting of the Executive Committee. It includes US\$ 80 million for compensation of producer enterprises and US\$ 2 million for Technical Assistance Programme. So far, 7 tranches amounting US\$ 70 million have been released and disbursed to four CFC producing enterprises.

Till date the project has successfully phased out 18635 MT of CFCs beginning from the baseline of 22,588 MT in the year 1999.

The Annual Work Programme for the year 2007 was prepared in January, 2007 in consultation with the World Bank and the UNEP. The 51st Executive Committee held in March 2007 has approved the annual plan and release of US\$ 6.30 million for implementation of the CY2007 Annual Programme.

e) Implementation Status of National CTC Phase out Plan.

Carbon Tetra Chloride (CTC) National Phase out Plan has been approved by the Executive Committee at its 40th Meeting at the total cost of US \$ 52 million.

Under the CTC National Phase-out Plan, the annual programme of CTC production and consumption for non-feedstock applications were reported to 49th Meeting of the Executive Committee of the MLF Secretariat along with the Annual Programme for the calendar year 2006. The annual programme for the calendar year 2006 was approved with a funding of US\$10.76 million for implementation of CTC sector plan. Besides, the

activities relating to CTC production and consumption sectors are in progress.

An Evaluation Mission of the World Bank has completed its visits to the producers and consumers in India and has submitted the draft Evaluation Report. The 18th Meeting of the Parties (MOP) confirmed the achievement of compliance target of 85% phase-out of CTC production and consumption for non-feedstock applications.

The World Bank has prepared the 2007 Annual Plan of Implementation and submitted to the MLF Secretariat for consideration at the 52nd meeting of the Executive Committee scheduled to be held in July 2007 in Montreal.

Item No. 5 :

Consideration of the applications received for Duty exemption in respect of new or expanded activities with non-ODS technology

(i) The Technology and Finance Standing Committee (TFSC) in its meeting held on 29th September, 2006 considered the following six applications and recommended for exemption of Customs Duty.

- M/s Nilkamal Crates and Bins, Silvasa (U.T.)
- M/s Subros Ltd., Manesar (Haryana)
- M/s Lloyd Insulations India Ltd., Pithampur (M.P)
- M/s Polyflex (India) Pvt. Ltd., Chennai
- M/s Polyflex (India) Pvt. Ltd., Pune
- M/s Aster Tele Services Pvt. Ltd., Secunderabad, A.P.

A copy of Minutes of the TFSC is placed in **Annexure-III**.

(ii) The TFSC in its meeting held on 10th January, 2007 considered the following three applications and recommended for exemption of Customs Duty.

- M/s ICOMM Tele Ltd., Hyderabad
- M/s Subros Ltd., New Delhi
- M/s Jindal Soft Italia Seating Pvt. Ltd., Pune

A copy of Minutes of the TFSC is placed in **Annexure-IV**.

(iii) The TFSC in its meeting held on 15th February, 2007 considered the following four applications and recommended for exemption of Customs Duty.

- M/s. Shakti Televentures
- M/s. Jindal Mectec Pvt. Ltd.
- M/s. Nav Texfeb (NTF) India Pvt. Ltd.

➤ M/s. Zeppelin Mobile Systems India Ltd.

A copy of Minutes of the TFSC is placed in **Annexure-V**.

(iv) The TFSC in its meeting held on 14th March, 2007 considered the following seven applications and recommended for exemption of Customs Duty.

- M/s. Modern Prefab Systems Pvt. Ltd., Manesar (Gurgaon);
- M/s. Blue Star Ltd., Bharuch
- M/s. Bayer Material Science Pvt. Ltd.
- M/s. Subros Ltd.
- M/s. Videocon Industries Ltd.
- M/s. Tecumseh Production India Pvt. Ltd., Ballabgarh, Haryana
- M/s. Rinac India Ltd., Bangalore

A copy of Minutes of the TFSC is placed in **Annexure-VI**.

(v) The TFSC in its meeting held on 21st June, 2007 considered the following five applications and recommended for exemption of Customs Duty.

- M/s. Visteon Automotive System India Pvt. Ltd.;
- M/s. S. G. Engineers
- M/s. Sintex Industries Ltd.
- M/s. Rinac India Ltd.
- M/s. Krishna Maruti Ltd.

A copy of Minutes of the TFSC is placed in **Annexure-VII**.

Certificates for exemption of customs duty were issued in respect of enterprises listed in Item No. 5 (i) to 5 (v) with the approval of Secretary (E & F), Chairman of the ESC.

The ESC may accord the Ex post facto approval on the above.

Item No. 6 :

Any other matters with the permission of the Chair.

(a) In accordance with the decision of the 23rd ESC, the 33rd meeting of the ESC is scheduled to be held on 7th November 2007.

The Committee may take note of the above information.

Annexure with Agenda of XXXII ESC (07.02.07)

1. Minutes of XXXI ESC (from file).
2. NCCoPP Progress Report
3. Minutes of TFSC held on 29.09.06
4. Minutes of TFSC held on 10.01.07
5. Minutes of TFSC held on 15.02.07
6. Minutes of TFSC held on 14.03.07
7. Minutes of TFSC held on 21.06.07