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on the Financial Management of Large-Scale Catastrophes**

AGENDA

**February 26–27, 2007
ITC Kakatiya Sheraton
Hyderabad, INDIA**

Monday, February 26

8:30 – 9:00 Registration of participants

9:00 – 9:15 Opening remarks

- *Mr. C. S. Rao, Chairman, IRDA, India*
- *Mr. André Laboul, Head, OECD Financial Affairs Division*

9:15 – 9:45 Keynote Address (India)

- *General N. C. Vij, PVSM, UYSM, AVSM (Retd.), Vice Chairman, National Disaster Management Authority, India*

9:45 – 11:45 Session I: Indian Perspective on Financial Management of Large-Scale Catastrophes

9:45 – 10:30 Part A: Regulatory perspective

Moderator:

- *Mr. G.V. Rao, Ex-Chairman and Managing Director, Oriental Insurance Co. Ltd, India*

Speakers:

- *Mr. K. K. Srinivasan, Member (Non Life), IRDA, India*
- *Mr. S. V. Mony, Secretary General, Life Insurance Council, India*

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee break

11:00 – 11:45 Part B: Industry perspective

Moderator:

- *Mr. G.V. Rao, Ex-Chairman and Managing Director, Oriental Insurance Co. Ltd, India*

Speakers:

- *Mr. K. N. Bhandari, Secretary General, General Insurance Council, India*
- *Mr. R. K. Joshi, Chairman, General Insurance Corp. Ltd., India*

11:45 – 13:00 Session II: Examination of Catastrophic Risks and Financial Consequences

Moderator:

- *Prof. Semih Yucemen, Professor and Director, Earthquake Engineering Research Centre, Member of Management Board, Turkish Catastrophe Insurance Pool, Turkey*

Speakers:

- *Prof. Peter Hoeppe, Head, Department of Geo Risks Research, Munich Reinsurance Company AG, Germany*
- *Mr. Robert Muir-Wood, Chief Research Officer, Risk Management Solutions, United Kingdom*

Discussants:

- *Mr. Dhananjay Date, Managing Director, Swiss Re, India*

13:00 – 14:30 Lunch

14:30 – 17:00 **Session III: Financial Management: Role of Insurance Industry, Financial Markets, and Governments**

Part A: OECD Countries

Moderator:

- *Mr. Steve Atkins, Chief Executive, Pool Re, United Kingdom*

Speakers:

- *Prof. Semih Yucemen, Professor and Director, Earthquake Engineering Research Centre, Member of Management Board of the Turkish Catastrophe Pool, Turkey*
- *Mr. Neil Weeks, Chief Executive Officer, Australian Reinsurance Pool Corporation, Australia*
- *Mr. Yuichi Takeda, Corporate Planning Officer, Tokio Marine Delaware Corporation, Japan Earthquake Reinsurance, Japan*

15:45 – 16:15 **Coffee break**

Discussants:

- *Mr. Scott Parsons, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Critical Infrastructure Protection and Compliance Policy, Domestic Finance, U.S. Treasury Department, United States*
- *Mr. Ian McLean, Catastrophe Insurance Advisor, Ian McLean Consultancy, Former Chairman of New Zealand Earthquake Commission, New Zealand*
- *Mr. Alberto Monti, Associate Professor of Comparative Law, Bocconi University, Italy, OECD Consultant*

19:00 **Reception dinner to be hosted by the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority (IRDA) of India, at the conference hotel**

Tuesday, February 27

09:00 – 10:30

Session III: Financial Management: Role of Insurance Industry, Financial Markets, and Governments

Part B: Developing Country Perspective

Moderator:

- *Mr. Katsuo Matsushita, General Manager, International Department, General Insurance Association of Japan, Japan*

Speakers:

- *Mr. Peijun Shi, Professor of Geography, Vice President of Beijing Normal University, China*
- *Mr. Eugene Gurenko, Lead Insurance and Risk Management Specialist, World Bank*
- *Mr. Dhananjay Date, Managing Director, Swiss Re, India*

Discussants:

- *Mr. Ken Taki, Advisor, Mitsui Sumitomo Insurance Co., Ltd., Japan*

10:30 – 11:00

Coffee break

11:00 – 12.30

Session IV: Improving Risk Awareness and Literacy

Moderator:

- *Mr. M. Ramadoss, Chairman-cum-Managing Director, Oriental Insurance Company Limited, India*

Speakers:

- *Mr. Praveen Pardeshi, Co-ordinator, Regional Programmes, United Nations International Strategy for Disaster Reduction*
- *Ms. Flore-Anne Messy, OECD*

Discussants:

- *Mr. Steve Atkins, Chief Executive, Pool Re, United Kingdom*
- *Mr. M. Shashidhar Reddy, Member, National Disaster Management Authority, India*
- *Ms. Ana Garcia Barona, Technical and Reinsurance Directorate Manager, Consorcio de Compensacion de Seguros, Spain*

12:30 – 14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 15:00 Session V: Case Study (Pandemic Events)

Moderator:

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Speaker:

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15:00 -15:30 Coffee break

15:30 – 16:30 Session VI: Conclusions and summary of proceedings

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Closing remarks (to finish by 16:30)

- *Mr. André Laboul, Head, OECD Financial Affairs Division*

- *Mr. M. Shashidhar Reddy, MLA, Member, National Disaster Management Authority, India*
- *Mr. C. S. Rao, Chairman, IRDA, India*