



Competition Commission
of India



National Conference

State of Competition in the Indian Economy

Hotel Le Meridien, New Delhi, India
14-15 March, 2007

Wednesday, 14 March

9:30 – 10:00 a.m. Registration

10:00 – 11:00 a.m. Inaugural Session

Welcome Remarks	Vinod Dhall, Member, CCI
Address by the Chair:	Vijay Kelkar, Chairman, Advisory Committee on Market Studies, CCI
Inaugural Address:	Prem Chand Gupta, Hon'ble Minister of Company Affairs
Vote of Thanks:	Lawrence Carter, Director, World Bank Group, Washington, DC

11:00 – 11:15 a.m. Coffee break

11:15 – 12:30 p.m. Competition Assessments

Chair	R.S. Khemani, Advisor, Competition Policy, World Bank
Speakers	Augustine Peter, Economic Adviser (CCI), Roger Nellist, John Preston (DFID) (Presentation of Paper by DFID)

Session I - Competition Issues in the Manufacturing Sector

12:30 – 1:30 p.m. State of Competition in the Indian Manufacturing Sector

Chair	Ajay Dua, Secretary, DIPP, GOI
Speakers	T.A. Bhavani, Institute of Economic Growth (IEG), Delhi
Discussion	

1:30 – 2:30 p.m. Lunch break

2:30 – 3:30 p.m. State of Competition in India's Pesticides and Cement Manufacturing Industries

Chair	U. Sankar, Madras School of Economics
Speakers	Manoj Pant, Jawahar Lal Nehru University, New Delhi
Discussion	

3:30 – 4:15 p.m. Cartels and Other Anticompetitive Agreements

Chair	Veena Jha, UNCTAD
Speakers	CUTS International, Jaipur and National Law University (NLU), Jodhpur.
Discussion	

4:15 – 4:30 p.m. Coffee break

Session II - Competition Issues in the Transport Sector

4:30 – 5:30 p.m. State Policies Affecting Competition in the Passenger Road Transportation Sector

Chair	B.N. Puri, Sr Adviser (Transport), Planning Commission *
Speakers	R. Venkatesan and Simrit Kaur, NCAER
Discussion	

5:30 – 6:30 p.m. Competition Issues in the Road Goods Transport Industry in India, With Special Reference to the Mumbai Metropolitan Region

Chair	K.L. Krishna
Speakers	S. Sriraman, Mumbai University
Discussion	

6:30 p.m. Cocktails and dinner will be served

Thursday, 15 March

Session III

Competition & Regulatory issues in Infrastructure / Services Sectors

- 9:00 – 9:30 a.m. Competition Issues in the Food Grains Distribution Sector in Eastern India**
 Chair V. R. Panchmukhi
 Speakers B.N. Verma and Pyare Lal
 Discussion
- 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Competition Issues in the Telecommunications Sector**
 Chair Y.S. Bhave, Secretary, Department of Consumer Affairs
 Speakers Subashish Gupta, IIM, Bangalore
 Discussion
- 10:30 – 10.45 a.m. Coffee break**
- 10:45 – 12:45 p.m. Competition issues in the energy sector in India: Electricity, Coal, Oil, and Gas Sectors**
 Chair Jitesh Khosla, Jt. Secretary, Ministry of Company Affairs
 Speakers S.K. Sarkar, The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI)
 Discussion

Session IV

Other Issues in Competition Policy and Law

- 12:45 – 1:30 p.m. Competition Issues in Bilateral Trade Treaties**
 Chair Pronab Sen, Secretary and Chief Statistician of India, Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation
 Speaker Sanghamitra Sahu, ICRIER
 Discussion
- 1:30 – 2:15 p.m. Lunch break**
- 2:15 – 3:00 p.m. Guidelines on Compliance with Competition Law by Enterprises**
 Chair N.L. Mitra
 Speakers S.K. Dixit, Institute of Company Secretary of India (ICSI)
 Discussion
- 3:00 – 3:45 p.m. Interface Between Competition Authority and Sectoral Regulators**
 Chair Amitabh Kumar, DG, CCI
 Speakers Rahul Singh, National Law School of India University (NLSIU), Bangalore
 Discussion
- 3:45 – 4:00 p.m. Coffee break**
- 4:00 – 5:15 p.m. Concluding Session**
 Welcome Remarks and
 Address by the Chair : Vinod Dhall, Member, CCI
 Address : William Kingsmill, Head, Growth & Investment Group, DFID
 Valedictory Address : B.K. Chaturvedi, Cabinet Secretary
 Vote of Thanks : R.S. Khemani, Advisor, Competition Policy, World Bank
- 5:15 p.m. High Tea**