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National Conference

State of Competition in the Indian Economy

The Taj Mahal Hotel
1, Mansingh Road
New Delhi, India

Conference Hall- Diwan-I-Am

11-12 June, 2009

Thursday, 11 June

09:30 – 10:00 a.m.

Registration

10:00 – 11:15 a.m.

Inaugural Session

Welcome and Opening Address	: Shri Dhanendra Kumar, Chairman, Competition Commission of India (CCI).
Address	: Mr. Roberto Zagha, Country Director, World Bank.
Address	: Mr. Thomas Davenport, International Finance Corporation, South Asia, Delhi
Address	: Shri Anurag Goel, Secretary, Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA)
Guest of Honour	: Hon'ble Dr. Justice Shri Arijit Pasayat, Chairman, Competition Appellate Tribunal
Inaugural Address by the Chief Guest	: Shri Salman Khursheed, Hon'ble Minister of State (Independent Charge), Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Govt. of India
Vote of Thanks	: Mr. Roger Nellist, Deputy Head, Growth and Investment Group, DFID London.

11:15 – 11:45 a.m. Tea break

Technical Session I

11:45 – 1:30 p.m.: State of Competition in Indian Economy: Issues and Priorities

Welcome and Introductory Remarks	: Shri Dhanendra Kumar, Chairman, CCI.
Keynote Address by the Chairperson	: Dr. Suresh Tendulkar, Chairman of the Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister.
Speakers	: Shri Tarun Das, Chief Mentor, CII. : Prof. TCA Anant, Professor, Delhi School of Economics. : Prof. C. P. Chandrasekhar, JNU. : Dr. Subir Gokarn, Chief Economist and Executive Director, CRISIL.
Discussions	
Vote of Thanks	: Dr. (Smt.) Geeta Gouri, Member, CCI

1:30 – 2:30 p.m. : Lunch break

Technical Session II

2:30 – 4:30 p.m.: Issues Relating to Application of Competition Law

Welcome and Introductory Remarks	: Shri Dhanendra Kumar, Chairman, CCI.
Chairperson	: Shri Saumitra Chaudhuri, Member, Planning Commission of India
Panel Discussion	
Topics	: Price Fixing Cartels/Agreements
Speaker	: Mr. Kirti Kumar Mehta, Directorate-General-European Commission.
Price-Fixing Cartels,	: Competition Advocacy.
	: Mr. Nicholas Franczyk, US-FTC.
Speaker	: Lessons learnt from recent application of competition law /policy.
	: Mr. David Lewis, Chairman ,Competition South Africa
	: Transition from MRTP Act, 1969 to Competition Act, 2002.
Speaker	: Shri M.M.K. Sardana, Member, MRTP Commission.
Discussions	
Vote of Thanks	: Shri H.C. Gupta, Member, CCI

4:30 – 4:45 p.m.: Tea break

Technical Session III

4:45 – 6:00 p.m.: Legal Issues of Relevance to Competition Act, 2002

Welcome and Introductory Remarks	: Shri P.N. Parashar, Member, CCI
Chairperson	: Prof. N.L. Mitra, Chairman of CCI Advisory Committee on Research Studies.
Panel Discussion	
Panelists	

Friday, 12 June

8:30 – 9:00 a.m. Tea

9:00 – 10:45 a.m.: Technical Session IV

Welcome and Introductory Remarks : Shri Dhanendra Kumar, Chairman, CCI.

Chairperson : Dr. Vijay Kelkar, Chairman, 13th Finance Commission

Introductory Remarks on Sector Specific Studies of CCI

Speaker : Dr. Shyam Khemani, Former Advisor, Competition Policy, World Bank.

Why Market Studies/Competition Assessments?

Speaker : Ms. Hannah Priest, OFT

Application of the Competition Assessment Framework (CAF).

Speaker : Mr. Roger Nellist, Deputy Head, Growth and Investment Group, DFID London

Discussions

Vote of Thanks : Dr. (Smt.) Geeta Gouri, Member, CCI.

10:45–11:00 a.m.: Tea break

Technical Sessions V-VI

11:00-1:00 p.m.: Presentations on recently completed/ongoing sector specific studies

11:00 – 12:00 noon: Breakout session -1

Session V (A) - Competition Issues in the Civil Aviation Sector (Conference Hall- Diwan-I-Am)

Competition Issues in the Air Transport Sector in India

Chairperson : Shri Arvind Jadhav, Chairman & Managing Director, Air India
Speaker : Administrative Staff College of India (ASCI)
Discussant : Mr. Frederick Warren-Boulton, Principal, MICRA (Microeconomics Consulting and Research Associates)

Discussions

Session V (B) – Ports and Railways (Conference Hall- Diwan-I-Khas)

Competition Issues in Regulated Industries: Case of India's Transport Sector-Ports and Railways

Chairperson : Shri V.K. Agarwal, Managing Director & CEO, RITES.
Speaker : The Energy and Resource Institute (TERI)
Discussant : Mr. Russel Pittman, US-Department of Justice (DoJ).

Discussions

Session V (C) – Competition Issues in the Pharmaceutical Industry (Conference Hall- Aftab Mahtab)

Competition Law and the Pharmaceutical Industry

Chairperson : Shri Ashok Kumar, Secretary, Department of Pharmaceuticals, Govt. of India.
Speaker : Centad, New Delhi
Discussant : Mr. Nicholas Franczyk, Federal Trade Commission (FTC)

Discussions

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12:00 – 1:00 p.m.: Breakout session -2

Session VI (A) – Competition Issues in the Energy Sector (Conference Hall- Diwan-I-Am)

Competition in India’s Energy Sector

Chairperson : Prof. S.L. Rao, Member, CCI Advisory Committee on Research Studies.

Speaker : The Energy and Resource Institute (TERI), New Delhi

Discussant : Prof. John Kwoka, Professor, North Eastern University, Boston

Discussions

Session VI (B) – Competition Issues in the Steel and Petroleum Refining Sector (Conference Hall- Diwan-I-Khas)

Public Sector: Steel and Petroleum Refining

Chairperson : Shri L. Mansingh, Chairman, PNGRB.

Co-chairperson : Shri Pramod Kr. Rastogi, Secretary, Ministry of Steel, Govt. of India.

Speaker : Indicus Analytics, New Delhi.

Discussant : Prof. U. Sankar, Member of CCI Advisory Committee on Research Studies

Discussions

Session VI (C) – Competition Issues in the Infrastructure Sector (Conference Hall- Aftab Mahtab)

Competition Issues in Concession Agreements in Infrastructure Sectors

Chairperson : Shri Gajendra Haldea, Principal Adviser, Planning Commission

Speaker : Clarus Law Associates, New Delhi.

Discussant : Prof. Partha Mukhopadhyay, Sr. Fellow, Centre for Policy Research.

Discussions

1:00 – 1:45 p.m.:

Valedictory Session

Welcome Remarks : Shri Dhanendra Kumar, Chairman, CCI

Summary of Conference Deliberations: Shri H.C. Gupta, Member, CCI.

Valedictory Address : Dr. (Smt.) Isher Judge Ahluwalia, Chairperson, ICRIER.

Vote of Thanks : Shri R. Prasad, Member, CCI.

1:45 – 2:45 p.m.: Lunch