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4th International Biofuels Conference



February 1-2, 2007; Hotel Le Meridien, Janpath, New Delhi, India

“Energy Independence is the Lifeline of a Nation”

India has nearly 60 million hectares of wasteland, of which 30 million hectares can be made available for energy plantations like “Jatropha” or any other bio-fuel plant. Once grown, the crop has a life of 50 years. Each hectare will produce about 2 tonnes of bio-fuel per year at about Rs. 20 per litre. Biodiesel is carbon neutral and many valuable by-products such as glycerin, oil cake and herbal products flow from this agro-industry. Intensive research is needed to burn bio-fuel in internal combustion engines with high efficiency, and this needs to be an urgent R&D programme. India has a potential to produce nearly 60 million tonnes of bio-fuel annually using 30 millions hectares of land thus making a significant and important contribution to the goal of Energy Independence.

The President of India’s address at the inauguration of The South Asian Conference on Renewable Energy New Delhi, 18 April 2006



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The future of biofuels depends on the accelerated plantation of TBOs, diffusion of new technologies, especially in rural India, with an appropriate and market-friendly regulatory environment. Several policy-makers including relevant eminent stakeholders and international experts will be addressing this conference.

Who should participate

- Financing and banking institutions, and project and finance managers
- Technology suppliers and manufacturers
- Central and state ministries and related organizations
- Petroleum, sugar, alcohol/ethanol industries
- Edible and non-edible oil industry, and oil-seed processing industries
- Automobile industry, engine and power generating set manufacturers
- NGOs, Self Help Groups and micro-finance institutions
- Chemicals and petrochemicals industry
- Consultants, management advisors, entrepreneurs
- Research and Development institutions



More than 500 delegates attended Third International Biofuels Conference, January 18-19, 2006.

Why you should attend

- Exposure to new ideas and technologies
- Networking opportunities with specialists and catalyzing new business opportunities
- Understanding the regulatory framework, challenges, barriers, socio-economic factors

Tentative Program Schedule

Day 1 (1 February 2007)

08:30 – 09:30	Registration
09:30 – 10:45	Inaugural Session
10:45 – 11:15	Tea
11:15 – 12:15	Session I: Biofuels – Global & Indian Scenario: Policy Perspectives
12:15 – 13:30	Session II: Biofuels – Driver for Rural Development
13:30 – 14:15	Lunch
14:15 – 16:00	Session III: Challenges & Sustainability Issues in Mainstreaming Biofuels
16:00 – 16:15	Tea
16:15 – 17:30	Session IV: Agro-technology and R&D in Biofuels

Day 2 (2 February 2007)

09:30 – 11:00	Session V: Recent Trends in Production Technology for Biofuels
11:00 – 11:30	Tea
11:30 – 13:30	Session VI: Biofuel Applications – Emerging Opportunities
13:30 – 14:15	Lunch
14:15 – 16:00	Session VII: Biofuel Roadmap for India
16:00 – 16:15	High Tea



Montek Singh Ahluwalia, Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission, Government of India addressing the delegates at the Second International Biofuels Conference, September 16-17, 2004.

“As is evident from the experience of some countries, biofuels have enough external benefits such as generating employment and income in the rural areas and emitting less greenhouse gases, among others, all of which make it worthwhile for the government to encourage biofuels by providing tax benefits.”

Montek Singh Ahluwalia

Hon'ble Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission, Government of India

Mani Shankar Aiyar, Hon'ble Minister of Panchayati Raj and Sports & Youth Affairs, Government of India addressing the delegates at the Third International Biofuels Conference, January 18-19, 2006.

“Cultivation of jatropha plants is possible even with one tree in one household courtyard. That larger number of trees could perhaps be grown on Panchayat (local self-government) land. But most important of all, the Panchayat can be the motivator to tell the ordinary farmer, a large or marginal farmer or even a landless labourer, that if they can get themselves involved in the jatropha economy, then it will be beneficial to them as individuals as well as to the community and to this end we are attempting to mobilize the entire PRI movement in this country through its 2 lakh 38 thousand village entities.”



Mani Shankar Aiyar

Hon'ble Minister, Panchayati Raj and Sports & Youth Affairs, Government of India



Raghuvansh Prasad Singh, Hon'ble Minister of Rural Development, Government of India addressing the delegates at the third International Biofuels Conference, January 18-19, 2006.

“The government, non-government organizations and private partnerships will have to work together for energy security in the field of biodiesel. There are 6 lakh villages and the 74 crore people who live in these villages are the potential partners in this programme. I hope this conference will be a milestone for energy security and biodiesel.”

Raghuvansh Prasad Singh

Hon'ble Minister of Rural Development, Government of India

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