

AGENDA DAY 1

9:30 – 10:15	Registration and Tea
10:15 – 10:20	Welcome Remarks Dr. Biswash Gauchan <i>Executive Director, Institute for Integrated Development Studies (IIDS)</i>
10:20 – 10:30	GFPR SA Perspective Dr. Shahidur Rashid <i>Director, South Asia Region, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)</i> Dr. Anjani Kumar <i>Senior Research Fellow, IFPRI</i>
10:30 – 10:40	Remarks by Special Guest Dr. Johan Swinnen <i>Managing Director, Systems Transformation, CGIAR, and Director General, IFPRI</i>
10:40 – 10:50	Remarks by Special Guest Dr. Pem Narayan Kandel <i>Chief Policy Advisor, International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development (ICIMOD)</i>
10:50 – 11:00	Remarks by Special Guest H. E. Tenzin Lekphell <i>Secretary General, Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC)</i>
11:00 – 11:10	Remarks by Special Guest Mr. Jamal Uddin Ahmed <i>Director, Agriculture, Rural Development and SAARC Development Fund (SDF)</i>
11:10 – 11:20	Remarks by Special Guest Ms. Pramila Devi Bajracharya (TBC) <i>Secretary, Ministry of Education, Science and Technology, Government of Nepal</i>
11:20 – 11:30	Remarks by Chief Guest Mr. Narayan Kaji Shrestha <i>Hon. Deputy Prime Minister and Home Minister, Government of Nepal Chairperson, Executive Committee, National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Authority</i>
11:30 – 11:40	Launch of the 2023 Global Food Policy Report

11:40 – 12:00 **Break**

Building Resilient Food Crisis Response in South Asia – Panel Discussions

12:00 – 13:00 **Food Crisis Risk Monitoring: Early Warning for Early Action**

Chair:

Dr. Pramod K. Joshi

President, Agricultural Economics Research Association, India

12:00 – 12:10

Mr. Haile Aberra

Head of Programme, UN World Food Programme – Nepal

12:10 – 12:20

Ms. Phub Dem

Advisor Department of Agriculture Marketing and Cooperatives (DAMC), Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock, Royal Government of Bhutan

12:20 – 12:30

Dr. Rajendra Prasad Mishra

Joint Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development, Government of Nepal

12:30 – 12:40

Mr. Tun Lynn Aung

Director, Agriculture & Food Security Division, BIMSTEC Secretariat

12:40 – 12:50

Open Discussion

12:50 – 13:00

Chair Remarks

13:00 – 14:00 **Lunch**

14:00 – 15:00 **Forced Migration: Fragility, Resilience, and Policy Responses**

Chair:

Dr. S. Irudaya Rajan

Chairperson, International Institute for Migration and Development, India

14:00 – 14:10

Ms. Simone Parchment

*Deputy Country Director (Programme & Strategy) – Bangladesh
UN World Food Programme*

14:10 – 14:20

Dr. Bilesha Weeraratne

Research Fellow and Head of Migration and Urbanization Research, Institute of Policy Studies of Sri Lanka (IPS)

14:20 – 14:30

Dr. Ben Belton

Research Fellow, IFPRI

14:30 – 14:40

Mr. Syed Yusuf Saadat

Research Fellow, Centre for Policy Dialogue (CPD), Bangladesh

14:40 – 14:50

Open Discussion

14:50 – 15:00

Chair Remarks

15:00 – 16:00 **Agri-food Value Chains: Building Resilient Food Systems**

Chair:

Ms. Temina Lalani-Shariff

Regional Director, South Asia, CGIAR

15:00 – 15:10

Ms. Sabnam Shivakoti

*Joint Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development,
Government of Nepal*

15:10 – 15:20

Dr. Srivalli Krishnan

Senior Program Officer, Global Development, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation

15:20 – 15:30	Dr. Devendra Gauchan <i>Honorary Research Fellow, Alliance of Bioversity International and CIAT Adjunct Professor (Agricultural Economics) IAAS, Tribhuvan University, Nepal</i>
15:30 – 15:40	Dr. Peter Craufurd <i>Senior Scientist and Country Representative – Nepal, International Maize and Wheat Improvement Center (CIMMYT)</i>
15:40 – 15:50	Open Discussion
15:50 – 16:00	Chair Remarks
16:00 – 16:30	Break
16:30 – 17:30	Crisis Resilience: Humanitarian Response and Anticipatory Action <u>Chair:</u> Dr. Tayan Raj Gurung <i>Specialist-I, National Service Project, His Majesty's Secretariat, Royal Government of Bhutan</i>
16:30 – 16:40	Mr. Siddharth Chaturvedi <i>Senior Programme Officer, Agriculture Development, Asia, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation</i>
16:40 – 16:50	Dr. Aminath Shafia <i>Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Fisheries, Marine Resources and Agriculture, Government of Maldives</i>
16:50 – 17:00	Dr. Ben Belton <i>Research Fellow, IFPRI</i>
17:00 – 17:15	Open Discussion
17:15 – 17:30	Chair Remarks
18:00 onwards	Dinner Reception
End of Day 1	

DAY 2

09:15 – 10:00 Registration and Tea

Panel Discussions Resume

10:00 – 11:00	Gender: Promoting Equality in Fragile and Conflict-Affected Settings <u>Chair:</u> Dr. Dushni Weerakoon <i>Executive Director, Institute of Policy Studies of Sri Lanka (IPS)</i>
10:00 – 10:10	Dr. Manohara Khadka <i>Country Representative – Nepal, International Water Management Institute (IWMI)</i>
10:10 – 10:20	Dr. Ranjitha Puskur <i>Research Leader, Gender and Livelihoods, International Rice Research Institute (IRRI) and Evidence Module Leader, CGIAR Gender Impact Platform</i>
10:20 – 10:30	Dr. Hina Nazli <i>Independent Researcher</i>
10:30 – 10:45	Open Discussion
10:45 – 11:00	Chair Remarks

11:00 – 12:00 Social Protection: Adaptive Safety Nets for Crisis Recovery

Chair:

Dr. Swarnim Wagle

*Member, Federal Parliament of Nepal and
Former Vice Chair, National Planning Commission, Nepal*

11:00 – 11:10

Ms. Jyoti Pandey

Senior Social Protection Specialist, World Bank Nepal

11:10 – 11:20

Dr. Kalle Hirvonen

Senior Research Fellow, IFPRI

11:20 – 11:30

Prof. Shyamal Chowdhury

School of Economics, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, University of Sydney

11:30 – 11:40

Dr. Mehrab Bakhtiar

Research Fellow, IFPRI

11:40 – 11:50

Open Discussion

11:50 – 12:00

Chair Remarks

12:00 – 12:15

Break

Concluding Session

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Remarks by Special Guest

Mr. Jason Seuc

Director, Economic Growth Office, USAID/Nepal

12:30 – 12:35

Remarks by Media person

12:35 – 12:45

Chair Remarks

Dr. Pramod K. Joshi

Former President, Agricultural Economics Research Association, India

12:45 – 12:55

Vote of Thanks

Dr. Mamata Pradhan

Research Coordinator, IFPRI-SAR
