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LINKING INDIA-EU MIGRATION OPPORTUNITIES AND THE NORTHEAST CORRIDOR

EU-INDIA COOPERATION & DIALOGUE ON MIGRATION AND MOBILITY (II)

12 FEBRUARY 2026 | GUWAHATI

10AM-10.45AM : INAUGURAL PROGRAMME

- **Inaugural Ceremony: Introduction of Dignitaries and Lighting of the Lamp**
- **Remarks by dignitaries:**
 - Smt. Gina Uika, Joint Secretary, Emigration Policy and Welfare Division, MEA, Govt of India
 - Chief Guest: Dr. Ravi Kota, IAS, Chief Secretary, Govt of Assam
 - Shri Gyanendra Dev Tripathi, IAS, Principal Secretary, Skill Employment and Entrepreneurship Dept., Govt of Assam
 - Ms. Michiko Miyamoto, Country Director, International Labour Organization
 - Dr Surabhi Singh, Country Coordinator, ICMPPD

10.45AM-11.10AM : CELEBRATING ASSAM: LIVE CULTURAL PERFORMANCE AND CURATED VIDEO SHOWCASE

11.10AM-11.30AM : TEA/COFFEE BREAK

11.30AM-12.40PM : SESSION 1 - UNDERSTANDING MOBILITY PATHWAYS: LINKING OPPORTUNITIES WITH ASPIRATIONS

- **Identifying challenges in international migration of skilled/semi skilled labour**
 - Speakers:
 - Smt. N. Bandana Devi, IAS, Secretary (SLEE), Govt of Manipur
 - Smt. Sushma Pradhan, Joint Secretary-cum-CEO, Niyukti Kendra, under Skill Development Department, Govt of Sikkim
 - Ms. Meripeni, Under Secretary & Project Lead, NSEDM, IDAN, Govt of Nagaland
 - Mr Sandro Haase, German Consulate Kolkata
 - Mr Arkaprabha Biswas, Coordinator, India Offices, Association Uni-Italia
- **Preparing Assam's Workforce for Jobs Abroad : Skills Needs Anticipation for Destination Countries**
 - Speaker: Gabriel Bordado, Skills Specialist, Decent Work Team, ILO
- **Cooperation & Dialogue on Migration and Mobility (II) : Interventions to support legal migration**
 - Speakers:
 - Radhika Sunger, National Project Coordinator, ILO
 - Dr Surabhi Singh, Country Coordinator, ICMPPD
- **Moderated Q&A**

12.40PM-1PM : SESSION 2 - BUILDING AWARENESS ON CHALLENGES OF IRREGULAR MIGRATION AND PROTECTING AGAINST FRAUDULENT RECRUITMENT PRACTICES

- **Migration scenario from Assam to EU**
 - Speaker: Shri Ranjan Bhuyan, IPS, Sr. S.P. / CID
- **Moderated Q&A**

2PM-2.30PM : SESSION 3 - UNDERSTANDING SCHENGEN VISA APPLICATION PROCESS & PROCEDURES FOR SHORT STAY

- Presentation by ICMPD

2.30PM-3.30PM : SESSION 4 - PRE-DEPARTURE INFORMATION - AWARENESS SESSION

- **Context Setting – Importance of Predeparture trainings**
 - Speaker: Catherine Laws, Migration Specialist, Decent Work Team, ILO
- **Predeparture information for Indians going to the European Union**
 - Speakers:
 - Dr Kishlay Kirti, Research Associate, ICWA
 - Mr Ameen Arimbra, Project Officer, ICMPD
- **Challenges and gaps on PDOT Trainings**
 - Speaker: Dr. M S Lakshmi Priya, IAS, MD, ASDM
- **Moderated Q&A + Interaction with Recruitment Agents**

3.30PM-4PM : TAKEAWAYS AND WAY FORWARD

- **Key Takeaways / Closing Remarks**
 - Speaker:
 - Smt Gina Uika, Joint Secretary, MEA, Government of India
 - Ms. Michiko Miyamoto, Country Director, International Labour Organization
 - Dr. Surabhi Singh, Country Coordinator, ICMPD
- **Next Steps and Vote of Thanks**
 - Speaker: ICWA