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Project on Indo-Pacific Partnerships on Marine Ecology

About the Project

Indo-Pacific Partnerships on Marine Ecology under Australia-India Indo-Pacific Oceans Initiative Partnership (AIPOIP)

The AIPOIP is a practical initiative under the Australia-India Joint Declaration on a Shared Vision for Maritime Cooperation in the Indo-Pacific, as part of the Australia-India Comprehensive Strategic Partnership announced during the Leaders' Virtual Summit on 4 June 2020. The project will advance the goals of India's Indo-Pacific Oceans Initiative (IPOI), particularly the marine ecology pillar that is co-led by Australia.

The project "Indo-Pacific Partnerships on Marine Ecology" will further strengthen the ties between India, Australia and Pacific Island countries and build new networks and connections which will be of value to industry, and the society at large in the regions. The project activities will be organised by FICCI in partnership with Southern Cross University and Pacific Islands Development Forum with the support of DFAT.

Recently, FICCI with the support of its partners had organized a Seminar on "Creating awareness to prevent marine litter and plastic pollution in ecosystem" between India, Australia and Pacific Island countries in May 2022

As part of the project, FICCI would now be organising series of 3 Masterclasses focussing on plastic waste management.

Dates of Series of Masterclasses:

Masterclass 1: 27th July from 1000 hrs-1200 hrs (IST)

Masterclass 2: 10th August from 1000 hrs-1200 hrs (IST)

Masterclass 3: 24th August from 1000 hrs-1200 hrs (IST)

Each Masterclass will focus on:

Master class 1: Source reduction - Creating behavioural change using incentives and penalties for producers and consumers of plastic, strategies for minimisation of single use plastics, use of alternative materials, reuse technologies, light weighting in manufacturing, policies and incentive schemes.



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Master class 2: Infrastructure and Networks - Circular network chains for repurposing and end-of-life recyclability, waste containment, transport hubs and nodes and creating cost efficiencies in local economies

Master class 3: Standardising approaches for measuring success -Development of standard marine environment assessment approaches for comparative assessment between sites for targeting and measuring success of on ground works, including measuring volumes, ages and origins of plastics debris and discussion on policies and action plan developments according to relevant international requirements that would be integrated to the national waste management policies and regulations.

Targetted Participants

- Leading Industry representatives from India, Australia and Pacific Islands
- Policy Makers/ Government Representatives
- Universities/ Institutes and Academicians