

ASIAN REGIONAL FORUM OF ELECTORAL DEMOCRACY August 11 (GMT +5:30)

August 11, 2022

TIME	SESSIONS
14:00 – 14:10	<p>Welcome remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Election Commission of India – by Mr. Dharmendra Sharma, Sr. Deputy Election Commissioner National Electoral Institute (INE) of Mexico - <i>(Recorded message from Mr. Lorenzo C. Vianello, Hon. President Councilor, INE of Mexico)</i>
14:10 – 14:25	<p>Keynote lecture</p> <p>“Making our Elections Inclusive, Accessible and Participative”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Rajiv Kumar, Hon’ble Chief Election Commissioner of India
14:25 – 15:40	<p>Technical Session I:</p> <p>Inclusive Elections : Enhancing Participation of Youth, Gender and Citizens in Remote Areas</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Antonio Spinelli, Sr. Advisor, Intl. IDEA Ms. Esmeralda Amora Ladra, Director, COMELEC Philippines Mr. Seung Ryeol Kim, Adviser, A-WEB Sectt. <p>Moderators: H.E. Mr. M. I. Abdool Rahman, EC of Mauritius and H.E. Mr. Dinesh Kumar Thapaliya, CEC of Nepal</p>
15:40 – 16:00	<p><i>Tea/Coffee break</i></p>

16:00 – 17:15

Technical Session II:

Accessible Elections: Enhancing Participation of Persons with Disabilities & Senior Citizens

- Mr. Kamal Bhattarai, Under Secretary, Election Commission Nepal
- Mr. Uz. Ibrahim Hafiz, Director (HR), EC of Maldives
- Ms. Melika Atic, Regional Director, (Asia Pacific) IFES

Moderators: H.E. Ms. Aimee P. Ferolino, Commissioner, COMELEC Philippines and H.E. Mr. Nizamkhodjaev Zayniddin Makhamatovich, Chairman, CEC of Uzbekistan

17:15 – 17:30

Closing Session

- Mr. Anup Chandra Pandey, Hon'ble Election Commissioner of India

17:30 – 17:35

Vote of Thanks