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A joint convening of the
14th Clean Energy Ministerial (CEM14) & 8th Mission Innovation (MI-8)
19-22 July 2023 | Goa, India

Welcome to Goa

Logistics Note

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For further inquiries and assistance, delegates, participants, and Diplomatic Mission representatives may contact the CEM14/MI-8 by writing to:

info@cem-mi-india.org.
1. INTRODUCTION
The Government of India warmly welcomes all the delegates to 14\textsuperscript{th} Clean Energy Ministerial and 8\textsuperscript{th} Mission Innovation (CEM14/MI-8) meetings which will take place in-person in the state of Goa, India from 19\textsuperscript{th} to 22\textsuperscript{nd} of July 2023.

About the Clean Energy Ministerial (CEM) and Mission Innovation (MI)

Established in 2009, the Clean Energy Ministerial (CEM) is a high-level global Ministerial forum to accelerate the deployment of clean energy by encouraging development of policies and programmes to advance clean energy technology and solutions around the world. The Mission Innovation (MI) was launched in 2015 as a Ministerial level global forum to accelerate clean energy innovation to mobilise low-cost finance by international partners, enhance private sector investments and demand for clean technologies that advances R&D of clean energy technology. Covering the entire spectrum of clean energy issues, CEM and MI aim to share lessons learned and best practices to facilitate the
transition to a global clean energy economy. They do so through a combination of an Annual Ministerial meeting, that brings together the global clean energy community and features plenaries, side-events and high-level roundtables, and year-round technical work in the form of initiatives and campaigns within CEM and missions within MI, respectively.

**Annual Ministerial Meeting**

Given the common goals and closely aligned membership, the annual Ministerials of both CEM and MI have been organized back-to-back with each other since 2016.

Largely aligned with the G20 Membership, as of May 2023 the CEM has twenty-nine member governments including Australia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, India, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Korea, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Russia, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, the United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom and the United States and the European Commission. Current members of the Mission Innovation are Australia, Austria, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, Denmark, the European Commission on behalf of the European Union, Finland, France, Germany, India, Italy, Japan, Morocco, Netherlands, Norway, Republic of Korea, Saudi Arabia, Sweden, the United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom, and the United States of America.

**Year-round technical work**

In addition to the annual ministerial meetings, the CEM and MI undertaken year-round work to deliver action on specific priority clean energy topics. While the CEM work is focused on issues of clean energy deployment, the work of the MI is focused on various topics of clean energy innovation. CEM’s deployment focused work is structured in the form of global CEM Initiatives and Campaigns, while MI’s innovation focused work is structured in the form of global MI Missions and Platforms. All these global activities are led by multiple governments of the CEM and MI, with participation of governments, industry, international organisations, think-tanks, and a broad array of the global clean energy community. The outcomes of these activities are also highlighted during the annual ministerial meetings. Current activities of the CEM and MI are as follows:

**Clean Energy Ministerial Workstreams**

- 21st Century Power Partnership
- Nuclear Innovation
- International Smart Grid Action Network
- Regional & Global Interconnection
- Transforming Solar
- RISE³
- Electric Vehicles Initiative
- EV30@30 Campaign
- Commercial Vehicles Drive to Zero Campaign
- Clean Energy Marine Hubs
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- Carbon Capture, Utilization, & Storage
- Industrial Deep Decarbonisation
- Green Public Procurement Campaign
- Super-Efficient Appliance & Equipment Deployment
- Hydrogen Initiative
- Biofuture Platform
- Biofuture Campaign
- Empowering People
- Equality In Energy Transitions
- Equal by 30 Campaign
- Long-Term Energy Scenarios
- Investment & Finance
- Clean Energy Solutions Center

Mission Innovation Missions:
- Zero-Emission Shipping
- Green Powered Future;
- Clean Hydrogen;
- Carbon Dioxide Removal;
- Urban Transitions;
- Integrated Biorefineries;
- Net Zero Industries

Mission Innovation Platforms:

- Collaborate
  - Innovation Community on Affordable Heating and Cooling of Building
  - The Materials for Energy (M4E)
  - Innovation for Sustainable Aviation Fuels
14th Clean Energy Ministerial & 8th Mission Innovation Meeting (CEM14/MI-8)

The Government of India is proud to be hosting the 14th Clean Energy Ministerial (CEM14) and 8th Mission Innovation (MI-8) in 2023 (CEM14/MI-8), alongside its hosting of the G20 Energy Transition Ministerial Meeting in Goa, India. Jointly organized by the Bureau of Energy Efficiency, Ministry of Power, and Department of Science and Technology, Government of India, CEM14/MI-8 is scheduled to take place between 19-22nd July 2023. In addition to a Ministerial plenary scheduled for 21st July 2023, a rich program of side-events is planned between 19-22 July, along with a technology showcase.

All side-events and the Ministerial events for CEM14/MI-8 are scheduled to take place at the Grand Hyatt, Goa, India. The Technology Showcase is scheduled to take place at the S.P.Mukherjee Indoor Stadium, Goa, India.

About the location: Goa, India

Goa, situated on the west coast of India, is one of the most delightful states of India. It is endowed with a variety of attractions including palm fringed beaches, miles of golden sands, lush green countryside, an incredible mosaic of cultural heritage, magnificent churches, temples, forts and monuments and a unique cultural synthesis of the east and west. With its tropical climate, Goa is a tourist destination for all seasons. Goa is a treasure trove of culture, music, dance and art forms that can be enjoyed during local festivals and celebrations. Animal lovers can visit the State’s

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1 The G20 Energy Transition Working Group (ETWG) meetings are scheduled on 19-20 July, with the G20 Energy Transition Ministerial Meeting (ETMM) scheduled to take place on 22nd July, 2023.
wildlife sanctuaries. It is often said that Goa never stops partying. The city is known for its vibrancy that attains its pinnacle in the annual Goa Carnival festival.

Neatly tucked along the western coast of India, Goa has several beaches and an over 300-year-old Portuguese architectural heritage. Goa has characteristic colorful houses, lush green fields and a soothing languidness in the atmosphere. The Churches and Convents of Goa have been included in the list of World Heritage Sites.

Throughout the year, Goa's climate remains hot and humid. It has the shortest winter and the monsoon season starts from June. Goa has seven major rivers Mandovi, Zuari, Terekhol, Chapora, Kushavati, Betul, Talpon and the Sal. The Mormugao harbor situated on the mouth of the River Zuari is one of the best natural harbors in South Asia. Most of the cities of Goa are situated on the banks of rivers and are connected with ferry boats and bridges.
Common languages spoken in Goa include Konkani, Marathi, Hindi, Kannada, Portuguese, English and Urdu.
2. PROGRAM
Program (provisional)

Spread over four days, between 19 to 22 July 2023, the CEM14/MI-8 program will feature not only the joint Clean Energy Ministerial and Mission Innovation plenary, but also feature closed-door Minister-CEO roundtables (RTs) and public facing High-Level Dialogues (HLDs) alongside an impressive calendar of side-events covering a wide array of clean energy topics, covering various aspects of clean energy innovation and deployment. There will also be business-to-business dialogues, award ceremonies and launches taking place at this year’s event. CEM14/MI8 will also feature a Technology Showcase on all days of the event.

Side-event calendar

19th – 22nd July 2023, Grand Hyatt, Goa (Open to all registered attendees)

Side events are a key component of the Ministerial meetings. They provide unique, high-level opportunities for government stakeholders, workstreams, partner organizations, private-sector representatives, and other members of the clean energy community to come together.

Nearly 80 side-events are scheduled to take place as part of CEM14/MI-8, between across the four days, spread across six different rooms at the Grand Hyatt, Goa. Taking place in either 90- or 75-minute timeslots, these events cover a wide array of topics across clean energy deployment and innovation, broadly grouped under the themes of: Power Systems, Clean Fuels, Energy Efficiency, Industry Decarbonisation, Innovation, Mobility, Urban Systems, People and Cross-cutting topics. The latest side-event calendar is available at: [www.cem-mi-india.org](http://www.cem-mi-india.org).
Side-event organizers will receive their side-event briefing packages separately with information about rooms, connectivity/IT needs, speaker/panelist access, and other details as would be required to seamlessly organize their events.

**Business-to-business dialogues**

*21st July 2023, Grand Hyatt, Goa (invitation only)*

CEM14/MI-8 is expected to see the presence of a large number of business leaders and private sector representatives from around the world. There will be multiple business-to-business dialogues organized to facilitate exchange of ideas among the business community on topics of clean energy deployment and innovation.

**Awards Ceremony**

*21st July 2023, Grand Hyatt, Goa (Open to all registered attendees)*

Over the years, the annual ministerial moment has provided a unique opportunity to recognize the leaders in clean energy on several different topics, ranging from appliance energy efficiency to innovations in clean hydrogen production. This year’s Ministerial will recognize the winners of the **2023 Global Energy Management Leadership Awards** for demonstrating excellence in implementing structured energy management systems, and the winners of the **9th ISGAN Award of Excellence**, recognizing their excellence in innovation, integration, and transformation of smart grid systems and policies.
Minister-CEO Roundtables and High-Level Dialogues

21st July 2023, Grand Hyatt, Goa (invitation only)

A total of 4 closed door Minister-CEO Roundtables and 4 High-Level Dialogues are scheduled to take place on 21st July 2023 (Friday). Organized by the hosts, these events are supported by one or more knowledge partners, and will feature Ministers and high-level dignitaries including industry leaders and CEOs and heads of institutions from think-tanks, foundations, and other policy institutions. Roundtables are by invitation only because they are only accessible to Heads of Delegation +1 and to special guests. A roundtable discussion will include up to twenty participants seated around a table, however the same may vary and will be confirmed by the host based on availability and capacity considerations.

The following Minister-CEO Roundtables and High-Level Dialogues are planned on 21st July 2023.

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Ministerial Plenary

21st July 2023, Grand Hyatt, Goa *(Closed door, some segments publicly broadcast)*

CEM14/MI-8 will feature a joint plenary for the Clean Energy Ministerial and Mission Innovation. The Ministerial plenary is scheduled to take place on 21st July 2023, between 0900-1300 hours. Spread across three segments, the Ministerial plenary will feature a public-facing high-level opening segment back-to-back with a global clean energy update from CEM and MI, followed by closed-door ministerial deliberations.

Details about the Ministerial plenary programming will be circulated to Members via the programming briefing pack.
Technology and Cultural Showcase

The technology showcase is a key component of the CEM14/MI-8 forum. Selected technologies will be on display and showcase solutions that are accelerating and demonstrating progress toward shared clean energy goals. The Showcase will be open to all attendees and will feature interactive experiences, including a Zero-Emissions Vehicle display. There will also be Cultural performances planned at different times in the CEM14/MI-8 program. The Technology and Cultural Showcase will be taking place at the S.P. Mukherjee Indoor stadium, Goa.

For any queries related to the Technology Showcase, please reach out to: info@cem-mi-india.org
3. EVENT VENUE
Meeting Venue

All meetings for CEM14/MI-8, including side-events, high-level ministerial dialogues and roundtables, business dialogues and the Ministerial plenary, are scheduled to take place at the hotel Grand Hyatt, Goa.

In addition to being one of the finest luxury resorts in India, Grand Hyatt Goa features excellent convention facilities in the form of a standalone banquet and convention center, which will be hosting the CEM14/MI-8 meetings.

Address:
Grand Hyatt, Goa
P.O. Goa University, Bambolim, Goa, India, 403206
Telephone: +91 832 664 1234
Website: LINK HERE
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LOCATION
Grand Hyatt Goa, a truly enchanting destination resort and spa, is set along the calm waters of Bambolim Bay. An architectural marvel, the resort is inspired by a 17th century Indo-Portuguese palace, spread across 28 acres of lush landscapes and tropical gardens. The property even showcases a mysterious 16th century chapel nestled on its lawn. This contemporary palace features 313 rooms and suites. All accommodations enjoy private balconies.

TRANSPORTATION
Dabolim Airport: 15 km / 25 minutes, by car
Mopa Airport: 58.2 km / 55 minutes, by car
Panjim: 7 km / 15 minutes, by car
Mapusa: 18 km / 30 minutes, by car
Baga: 20 km / 35 minutes, by car

POINTS OF INTEREST
Dona Paula, Panjim
Forts - Reis Magos, Chapora, Aguada, Basilica of Bom Jesus
Shri Mangeshi Temple in Ponda
Calangute, Baga and Miramar beaches
Sahokari Spice farm in Ponda

Grand Hyatt summary and distances

Hotel Grand Hyatt Venue Layout with convention center highlighted inset.
Located on the ground floor of the Grand Hyatt Convention Center, the Grand Ballroom, along with the rooms Salao 1, Salao 2 and Salao 3 will be used for the various events of CEM14/MI-8 between 19 to 22nd July 2023. Ballrooms 1, 2 and 3, along with Salao 1, 2 and 3 will feature all side-events and roundtables, while the Grand Ballroom will feature the Ministerial plenary and high-level dialogues.
Ballroom 3 (Grand Hyatt, Goa) to serve as side-event meeting rooms.

**Bilateral Meeting Rooms**

A limited number of bilateral rooms will be available for CEM and MI Members on a first-come first-served basis. A link will be provided via email to delegations to enable them to directly reserve their bilateral rooms subject to availability. The CEM14/MI-8 Organizing team will do its best to facilitate the process.

Boardroom (Grand Hyatt, Goa) to serve as bilateral meeting rooms.
Miscellaneous

Business Center
There will be a business center available at the meeting venue with a limited number of internet-enabled computers, printing and photocopying facilities.

Wireless Internet
Complimentary wireless internet (Wi-Fi) will be available at the venue for the duration of the meeting. Wireless internet access details will be available from the CEM14/MI-8 Information Help Desk and the Business Center.

Prayer Room
Prayer Room provision for delegates will be made available at the main hotel for the course of the meeting. Signage to the Prayer Room would be displayed at the venue and, if required, assistance could be sought from the Help Desk.

Medical Room
A medical room will remain operational at the meeting venue from 19 – 22 June 2023 from 0800 to 1800 1ST.

Pre-function Area/Atrium
All the registration and badging will be done in the pre-function area. The pre-function area will also be used for tea/coffee and networking breaks.

Interpretation
All meetings will be conducted in English. No interpretation services will be available. For Heads of Delegation who require interpretation, please let us know at info@cem-mi-india.org for necessary arrangements.
Dining and Social Activities

The Grand Hyatt Goa has multiple dining options, including the Verandah - a multi-cuisine restaurant, Chulha - a North Indian restaurant, and The Capiz Bar - which offers a range of drinks and snacks. The Dining Room serves all-day dining options, while The Confeitaria serves freshly baked cakes and pastries.

There are a variety of attractions in the area surrounding the hotel. More information can be found here.

Information Center

A CEM14/MI-8 Hospitality desk will be located at the meeting venue to assist delegates with CEM14/MI 8 related inquiries.
Dining and social spaces at Hotel Grand Hyatt Goa
Technology and Cultural Showcase Venue

Dr Shyama Prasad Mukherjee Indoor Stadium, Goa will host the Technology and Cultural Showcase for CEM14/MI-8 and will be open to all participants registered for the event. In addition to the Technology Showcase, comprising of select innovative clean energy technologies and business solutions alongside a Zero-emissions Vehicle display, the venue will also host Cultural showcases from the state of Goa.

A few minutes away from the Grand Hyatt Goa, the Indoor stadium will also be connected to the Grand Hyatt via continuous shuttle services across the venues.
G20 ETWG and ETMM Venue

The G20 Energy Transition Working Group (19-20 July 2023) and Energy Transition Ministerial Meeting (22 July 2023) will be taking place at the Taj Resort and Convention, Goa.

Connectivity between venues

A short drive separates the venues There will be a continuous shuttle service operating between Grand Hyatt, S.P.Mukherjee Stadium and Taj Resort and Convention Center, to ensure seamless movement of participants across the sites.
4. ACCOMODATION
Accommodation

A popular tourist destination, Goa offers a wide variety of hotels and stays for all categories of guests.

However, noting the main venue of the CEM14/MI-8 to be the Grand Hyatt, Goa, the CEM14/MI-8 Organizing team has coordinated with the Grand Hyatt and Goa Marriott Resort & Spa hotel, located in its proximity, to offer special rates for delegates looking for accommodation for the dates of the event. Block reservations have been made at these designated hotels, and delegations may book the rooms directly with the hotels on a first come, first served basis until **12th July 2023**, after which, the hotels will release the blocked rooms for open booking.

**Grand Hyatt Goa**

Address: P.O. Goa University, Bambolim, Goa, India, 403206

Contact Person:  
Mr. Pulkit Aggarwal, Mobile :+91-9168656544 (pulkit.agarwal@hyatt.com)

Website: [Hotel Website (Grand Hyatt)](http://Grand-Hyatt-Website)  
Link for Booking Rooms: [Grand Hyatt Room Booking CEM14/MI-8](#)

**Goa Marriott Resort & Spa**

Address: Marriott Resort Road, Miramar, Panjim, 403001 India

Contact Person:  
Mr. Atul Nair, Mobile No. +91- 8411960948 (Atul.Nair@marriotthotels.com)

Website: [Hotel Website (Marriott)](http://Marriott-Website)  
Link for Booking Rooms: [Marriott Resort & Spa Room Booking CEM14/MI-8](#)

- Please be advised that delegates will be responsible for their own accommodation bookings and bearing necessary costs.
- The occupancy level of the hotels in Goa may increase as we get closer to the meeting date, and an early booking is advisable.
- In addition to the hotels offering special rates, there are a large number of other hotels in the proximity of the meeting venue for delegates' consideration.
5. ACCREDITATION OF PARTICIPANTS
Registration

Direct Registrations

All participants can register for CEM14/MI-8 via the registration portal www.cem-mi-india.org subject to approval by the organizers.

Official Delegations

Official delegations attending CEM14/MI-8 must designate one member of their delegation as their Delegation Credential Point of Contact, who will register their entire delegation with the host at info@cem-mi-india.org. Once nominated, the Point of Contact will be able to either directly register or invite members of their delegations to register themselves and identify members and head-of-delegations.

Invited Participants

Individually invited participants will receive a direct link to register based on the nature of invitation and engaging at the event, which they can use to register themselves for CEM14/MI-8.

Accreditation

Once registered and approved, all delegates will receive their accreditation letters, which will include a QR code and registration number. Delegations are required to carry this accreditation letter in either digital or hard-copy to the venue for badging purposes. Delegates who have requested letters for visa purposes will be able to use the accreditation letters for visa application purposes for priority visas from various Indian embassies/consulates or for e-visas online.

Badging and Access to Venue

All delegates will be required to pass through a security screening prior to entering the venue. Access to the venue will be restricted to the accredited delegates only who will
be required to keep their accreditation letters (prior to badging) and/or badges (access card and/or pin) on display at all times during the event.

The badges of delegates are colour-coded according to their classification. The badge carries personal information such as photograph, name, country/institution, and is non-transferable.

For Official Delegations, the Delegation Credential Point of Contact will be able to collect their delegation’s credential packet by visiting the Delegation Registration Desk located at Hotel Grand Hyatt, Goa. The Delegation Credential Point of Contact will hold complete responsibility for distributing credentials to the members of their delegation.
6. VISA REQUIREMENTS
All foreign nationals entering India are required to possess a valid international travel document in the form of a national passport with a valid visa from an Indian Mission/Post or eVisa (digital visa). An applicant's passport should have at least six months validity at the time of making application for grant of e-Visa. For e-Tourist and e-Business visa, Applicants of the eligible countries/territories may apply online minimum 4 days in advance of the date of arrival.

For more information on visa travel to India, please visit https://indianvisaonline.gov.in/

During registering for CEM14/MI-8 delegates will have the opportunity to request a letter to support your visa application, in the form of the accreditation letter. Once approved, the accreditation letter will be sent to delegates by email.

Delegates who are national of any of the following countries, are eligible to apply for an eVisa online: https://indianvisaonline.gov.in/evisa/tvoa.html
7. HEALTH REQUIREMENTS
Health Requirements


2. Pertaining to Yellow Fever: There is no risk of yellow fever in India, however, there is a certificate requirement for people traveling in from some countries. All passengers who are travelling from Yellow Fever endemic countries as notified by World Health Organization are advised to take Yellow Fever vaccination 10 days before their scheduled arrival in India. List of Yellow Fever endemic countries may be seen at: https://ihpoe.mohfw.gov.in/vaccination.php. Accordingly, participants from Argentina, Brazil and African Union may take note of requirement of their Yellow Fever vaccination.
8. MEDIA AND COMMUNICATIONS
Website

The official 14th Clean Energy Ministerial and 8th Mission Innovation (CEM14/MI-8) event website can be found at [www.cem-mi-india.org](http://www.cem-mi-india.org).

The website contains the most up-to-date information on events and programming and will be updated continuously. Information on Side-events, High-Level Participants, Plenaries, Roundtables, the Technology Showcase will all be available on the website. Please check this site for regular updates.

Event Application

A mobile based application will be launched before the event, for all participants to have access to the real time event programming and venue map. It would also allow for interaction among different participants joining CEM14/MI-8.

Social Media

The social media handles for CEM-14/MI-8 can be found as:

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9. TRAVEL GUIDANCE
Reaching Goa

Located on the western side of India, Goa is easily accessible by plane, train, or car. Delegates attending the CEM-14/MI-8 should make their own travel arrangements to and from Goa.

➢ **By Air**
Two international airports cater to the needs of the beautiful state of Goa. Dabolim, the airport in the south of Goa, is situated about 29 kilometers away from Panaji. In addition, the recently inaugurated Manohar International Airport has started operations in the north of Goa. Both these airports cater to international traffic and are well connected with the major domestic cities as well as international major cities and airlines.

➢ **By Road and Rail**
One can also easily reach Goa via road and rail services. There are a number of buses that offer their services to travelers. The nearest bus stand is Kadamba bus stand of Panaji which is considered as the main bus station. Goa has two major railway stations — Margao and Vasco-da-Gama, both located in the southern area of the state.

**Immigration**

Immigration process will be completed at the first port of entry in India for all delegates. A dedicated lane for immigration is available for all delegates with Diplomatic/official passports.

**Customs**

Indian national laws govern the importation and exportation of prohibited or controlled items into or out of India, including medications. Delegates are allowed to bring medication, strictly for personal use. Drugs containing narcotics are prohibited from entering India. Those containing psychotropics are restricted and must be declared. In addition, delegates must present a letter from their physician and/or a copy of the original prescription stating the list of medication(s) and amount used per day to a customs officer.
These documents are essential to prove the legality of the prescribed medication, should there be questioning by the customs officer.

The government exempts some excisable goods purchased abroad for personal use from import duties, excise, and taxes for every adult at each arrival with the following limited amount:

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Any excess of the excisable goods will be destroyed. Incoming delegates carrying more than USD 10,000 (or equivalent in other foreign currencies) in cash should declare the same to Customs.

Temporary licenses to carry or use firearms and communication gadgets are considered diplomatic facilities and are provided solely to the Head of State/President's security personnel and Ministers/Governors in compliance with Indian law. The delegation may submit their request for firearms permit well in advance through a diplomatic note with the necessary documentation attached. The diplomatic note should be addressed to the Chief of Protocol, Ministry of External Affairs of the Government of India, via the respective Country’s Mission in India.

**On arrival in Goa**

CEM14/MI-8 delegates will be welcomed at both Goa airports through designated reception and welcome desks. From there, shuttle services will be available to transport delegates to the official venues (Grand Hyatt, Marriott Resort and Spa, Taj Resort and Convention Center). For those who wish to travel independently, pre-paid taxis are available from both airports at the official taxi counters for direct reservations. App-based ride-hailing services are not available in Goa.
The hosts will be offering transport assistance to Heads of Delegations arriving for CEM14/MI-8. All other delegates will have access to shared transportation services between the Airport and the recommended hotels upon arrival and time of departure. Transportation between the recommended hotels and the various venues as per the program will also be arranged by the CEM14/MI-8 Organizing team.
10. MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION
Miscellaneous Information

Travel Insurance
Travel insurance is recommended for all delegates visiting India. It is advised to ensure adequate travel health insurance and accessible funds to cover the cost of any medical treatment abroad and repatriation. Once should contact your insurance/medical assistance company promptly if you are referred to a medical facility for treatment.

Drinking Water
Delegates are advised to only drink bottled water during their stay.

Nature and Climate in Goa

Temperature
The average temperature in Goa in July is 28°C / 82°F. The maximum temperature is 30°C / 86°F and the minimum temperature is 26°C / 79°F.

Rainfall
Over the course of July, Goa experiences a high amount of rainfall, with 995mm/39 inches of precipitation falling on an average of 27 rainy days.

Humidity
The relative humidity for Goa in July varies between 70% (mildly humid) and 95% (very humid)

UV index
The ultraviolet index in Goa in July is typically 13.7 during July. An ultraviolet index reading above 11 indicates an extreme risk of harm from unprotected sun exposure.
Dress Code

Dress code for all meetings is formal business attire. Delegates are expected to wear smart casual attire (open collar) for the Welcome Reception and Samvaad Opening Dinner.

Time Zone

Local time in Goa is India Standard Time (IST) which is GMT+ 5 ½ hours.

International Dial Codes

The country code for India is +91, and the local code for Goa is 0832. To call a local number, you can dial +91 followed by the local code 0832 and then dial the number you wish to call. Likewise, to call an Indian mobile number when calling from a foreign number, you should dial +91 followed by mobile number you wish to contact.

Delegates intending to use an Indian SIM-card can obtain the same from an authorized mobile network operator.

Currency and Banking

The currency of India is the Indian Rupee (INR). Current exchange rates against the US Dollar are approximately 80 INR to one US Dollar. Currency is easily exchanged at the airport and at designated Government of India approved dealers and at the designated hotels. Delegates can withdraw Rupees through ATMs. There will also be facilities for currency-exchange at the Hotels. Major foreign credit cards are accepted in all modern establishments, hotels, restaurants and stores.

Electricity

The electricity supply voltage in India is 220-240 volts with plug types C and D. Power outlets will be available at various places around the meeting venue, and at the delegate desk at the meeting venue during plenary discussions. Delegates are encouraged to bring
their own equipment, such as electric adaptors for mobile devices intended to be used. Round pins with three points are used in Indian plug point (as shown in the pictures below).

**Dimensions Guide Type C Plug & Socket**

**Dimensions Guide Type D Plug & Socket**

**Emergency Phone Numbers**
For any urgent matters, please contact the Main Control Room located in Hotel Grand Hyatt, Goa. You may also call the Emergency Numbers as tabulated below.

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**First Aid**
An emergency medical support unit will be always available at each of the hotels and in the meeting venue during the meetings.
Accessibility and Special Requirements

Delegates are encouraged to inform the CEM14/MI-8 Organizing team regarding any special needs requiring assistance, such as accessibility and ambulatory requirements, allergies, or major medical issues, and any other needs through email at info@cem-mi-india.org latest by 5th July 2023. All information will be treated confidentially. The meeting venue, Grand Hyatt Goa Convention Center is well designed to meet most ambulatory requirements for participants.

Photography and Videography

Delegates and participants may be filmed or photographed by the CEM14/MI-8 Organizing team's official photographers/broadcasters over the course of the program. In addition, photographs, and short video compilations of the CEM14/MI-8 will be available on the official website www.cem-mi-india.org and the event’s social media challenges and will also be used in the official social media posts of the Government of India.
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