Government of India Submission to UNFCCC on Nationally Appropriate Mitigation Actions (NAMAs) by developing countries

- 1. The Bali Action Plan launched "a comprehensive process to enable the full, effective and sustained implementation of the Convention through long-term cooperative action".
- 2. The Bali Action Plan envisages, under clause 1(b)(ii), enhanced national/international action on mitigation of climate change, including, *inter alia*, consideration of Nationally Appropriate Mitigation Actions by developing country parties in the context of sustainable development, supported and enabled by technology, financing and capacity building, in a measurable, reportable and verifiable manner.
- 3. The NAMAs envisaged in the BAP do not include national actions by developing countries with their own resources and without external support. Para 1(b)(ii) of the BAP clearly refers only to NAMAs "supported and enabled by technology, financing and capacity building". NAMAs envisaged in the BAP are, therefore, voluntary actions proposed by developing countries, that require to be supported and enabled by technology transfer, capacity building and financial transfers by developed countries.
- 4. It is recalled that, under Article 12.4 of the Convention, "Developing country Parties may, on a voluntary basis, propose projects for financing, including specific technologies, materials, equipment, techniques or practices that would be needed to implement such projects, along with, if possible, an estimate of all incremental costs, of the reductions of emissions and increments of removals of greenhouse gases, as well as an estimate of the consequent benefits".
- 5. Discussions were held in Poznan on a possible international registry for such NAMAs. The proposed International Registry should simply be a compilation of NAMAs proposed voluntarily by developing countries, along with an estimate of their mitigation benefits and the estimated incremental costs & technology requirements, submitted in accordance with Art.12.4 of UNFCCC. Implementation of the proposed actions will be contingent upon

receipt of the "enabling" finance and technology requirements in accordance with Art.4.3 of UNFCCC which requires developed country parties to cover the "agreed full incremental costs" of measures implemented by developing countries. The proposed registry must be set up under the UNFCCC and hence, the financial support for these NAMAs will be provided by the financial mechanism set up by UNFCCC.