

## Regional Dialogue: **Promoting Sustainable Food Consumption and the Shift to Healthy Diets in Asia through Farm to Fork Concept**

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### Participants

Maximizing the opportunity of a virtual setting, the regional dialogue is open to everyone, who wish to contribute the sustainable food consumption – from smallholder farmers and research scientists to community leaders and industry representative, engineers to youth organizers, students, and environmental policymakers and teachers. The dialogue will bring both nominated regional experts in policy, technology, business, and education and the variety of stakeholders from the public in order to diversify and expand perspectives that lead the collaboration and innovation.

- Regional experts from government, academia, and CSOs (invitation based registration)
- Any stakeholder who has motivated to contribute and to learn towards sustainable food consumption and healthy diets (open registration)

### Speakers Profile



**Dr. Fawzia Tarannum**  
TERI School of Advanced Studies,  
New Delhi, India

Assistant Professor in the Coca-Cola Department of Regional Water Studies at the TERI School of Advanced Studies (TERI SAS), New Delhi, **Dr. Fawzia Tarannum** is an interdisciplinary water professional with 22 years of experience in project management, teaching, research, and training. She is the recipient of the Fulbright Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship and has spent a year in Cornell University, enhancing her skills in water governance. She is also an awardee of the University of Nairobi- IDRC Doctoral Research Grant. Prior to joining TERI SAS, she worked as General Manager- Sales at Cleantec Infra Private Limited, a company engaged in providing mechanized solutions for cleaning and dredging of shallow water bodies.



**Dr. Mushtaq Memon**  
Project Manager, EU SWITCH-Asia Regional  
Policy Advocacy Component (RPAC).

**Dr. Mushtaq Memon** is working with UN Environment (United Nations Environment Programme) as a Regional Coordinator for Resource Efficiency in Asia Pacific Office located in Bangkok. He is supporting resource efficiency, sustainable consumption and production, green economy, green financing, sustainable public procurement, sustainable tourism, sustainable industries and various areas for Asia and the Pacific. He is also implementing EU funded SWITCH-Asia Phase 2 component by UN Environment Programme to support Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), especially SDG 12 on sustainable consumption and production in the region. He got his Masters in Project Management and National Development from University of Bradford in UK, and Doctorate in Environmental and Resource Economics and Management at Hiroshima University in Japan.



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**Prof. Prateek Sharma**  
Vice Chancellor, TERI School of Advanced  
Studies, New Delhi, India

**Dr. Prateek Sharma** is currently Vice Chancellor of TERI School of Advanced Studies and has served as professor and Dean (Academic) in the past. He has more than 20 years of research/teaching experience. He received his Ph. D. degree in environmental engineering from Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi. His general research interests- focus on environmental systems modelling, statistical applications in environmental and water resources engineering, and environmental risk assessment. He has been regularly contributing to high impact academic journals. He has also authored two books (international editions) in the area of vehicular pollution modelling and stochastic modelling and one monograph. Presently he is writing two books titled Environmental Data Analysis, and Environmental Modelling. He is a member of several professional societies. He has been admitted as a Fellow of Wessex Institute of Great Britain in 2004, in recognition of outstanding scholarly work.



**Dr. Michael Bucki**  
Counsellor at the EU Delegation  
to India and Bhutan

**Dr. Michael Bucki** is a Counsellor at the European Union Delegation to India, based in New Delhi. He leads the Section responsible for dialogue and cooperation between the EU and India in the areas of Environment, Mobility, Urbanisation & Smart Cities, Energy & Climate Change, Small Businesses, as well as the EU's Foreign Policy Instrument. From 2016-2020, prior to joining this Delegation, Dr Bucki worked in Jakarta, holding similar responsibilities for EU, Indonesia and ASEAN. From 2006-2016, he had worked in the European Commission on topics like forest adaptation, forest fires, wood products, climate mitigation, deforestation, biodiversity and international negotiations. He inter alia took part in the UN climate negotiations, from 2010 up to the 2015 Paris Agreement. Dr. Bucki holds a PhD, and Engineering degree, from the French National School for Forest and Water Management. His core interest is to find and share pragmatic, collective solutions for global citizens, producers and consumers to adapt to rapidly deteriorating "planetary boundaries".



**Mr. Benoît Sauveroche**  
First Counsellor - Health and Food Safety,  
Delegation of the European Union to India

**Mr. Benoît Sauveroche** is First Counsellor at the European Union Delegation to India, based in New Delhi. He is responsible for the cooperation between the EU and India in the areas of Health and Food Safety. As such he is involved in the policy dialogue in fields related to health, pharmaceuticals and biotechnology, medical devices, in promoting the One Health approach and fight against antimicrobial resistance, and in solving sanitary and phytosanitary issues as well as food safety standards in relation to the trade between the two parties. Prior to this, Benoît was working as an external auditor for the Directorate General for Health and Food Safety of the European Commission, monitoring the implementation and enforcement of EU legislation on food and feed safety, animal health, animal welfare, plant health and in certain areas of human health protection. He is also looking after the India-EU policy dialogue in the fields of digital transition, and migration and mobility.



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**Mr. James Sangma**  
Minister of Food Civil Supplies &  
Consumer Affairs Department, Forests &  
Environment Department, Health & Family  
Welfare Department

Cabinet Minister for Forest & Environment and Power, Meghalaya, **Mr. James Sangma** is known for his exemplary public service and firebrand minority representation in the national Indian politics and ambling through the dusty annals of local public and private libraries -feeding on its contents and shaping his own belief system. His repertoire of 'contextual intelligence' and problem solving- a critical future skill for leaders of tomorrow - was honed as he served in various leadership and membership capacities across a spectrum of different departments such as education, PWD, Public Accounts and Petitions committees and with the scheduled caste welfare committee and developed a holistic/integrated approach for solving various socio-economic issues.



**Dr. Chubamenla Jamir**  
TERI School of Advanced Studies

Faculty in the Department of Natural and Applied Science, TERI School of Advanced Studies, **Dr. Chubamenla Jamir** has been involved in a number of research projects related to climate change, agriculture and food security with special focus in the hill and mountainous regions within and outside of India. She has organized a number of training workshops related to different areas of sustainable development for researchers, students, policymakers, and other stakeholders from India and other countries with support from the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India, Department of Personnel Training, Government of India, UNEP, UNCCD, etc. She currently Co-leads the Mountain Agriculture Thematic group of Himalayan Universities Consortium.



**Dr. Ratna Nazmun**  
Associate Dean, Faculty of Agribusiness  
and Commerce, Lincoln University, New  
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**Dr. Nazmun N. Ratna** is a Senior Lecturer at the Department of Global Value Chain and Trade, Faculty of Agribusiness and Commerce, Lincoln University. Nazmun is a development economist by training and joined Lincoln University in 2007 after completing her Ph.D. degree from the Crawford School of Public Policy, The Australian National University (ANU), Canberra. She has dedicated much of her recent time to research the institutions-agriculture-development nexus in South Asia (Bangladesh, Nepal, and India), and supervised students' projects in Southeast Asia (Viet Nam and Laos), Central America (Costa Rica), and Africa (Nigeria, Ghana, and Malawi). Until recently, Nazmun worked as the Associate Dean, Research for the faculty, and represented the faculty at the University-wide Research Committee, developing guidance for the strategic development, governance, and quality assurance matters related to the University's research environment.



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**Dr. Bhavani Shankar**

Professorial Research Fellow in Food and Health, Department of Geography, University of Sheffield UK

Professorial Research Fellow in Food and Health, Department of Geography, The University of Sheffield, **Dr. Bhavani Shankar** joined the Institute of Sustainable Food and the Department of Geography in April 2020. From 2011 to March 2020, Bhavani was Professor at SOAS University of London, and has previously also held appointments at the University of Reading and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations. He is currently an academic editor for PLoS One, review editor for Frontiers in Sustainable Food and serves on the editorial advisory boards of Global Food Security and Food Policy.



**Prof. LIU Xiaojie**

Adjunct Professor, Lanzhou University;  
Associate Professor, Institute of Geographical  
Sciences and Natural Resources Research,  
Chinese Academy of Sciences, China

Adjunct Professor of Lanzhou University and Associate Professor of Institute of Geographical Sciences and Natural Resources Research, CAS (Chinese Academy of Sciences), **Prof. LIU Xiaojie's** main researches are focused on sustainable food system and policy, as well as sustainable agricultural development. Since 2013, she conducts research on food loss and waste, and till now, more than 10 Think-tank reports have been adopted, which have been approved by national leaders for several times. In 2021, as an expert, she participated in the investigation and formulation of Anti-food Loss and Waste Law of China, providing technical supports for the publicity and implementation of the law.



**Dr. Tilakavati Karupaiah**

Professor, School of Biosciences, Faculty  
of Health & Medical Sciences, Taylor's  
University, Malaysia

**Dr. Tilakavati Karupaiah**, is a Strategic Researcher who joined Taylor's University in November 2017, has spent the last 40 years exploring Dietetics. She is also an accredited practicing dietitian with the Dietitians' Association of Australia. Her aims are never permanent as these evolve according to research, education and practice challenges. Irrespective of the nature of research, an underlying need is to give back to the society, in forms of capacity building, exploratory science, community-based studies and patient-centred care in chronic kidney disease. In the 1980s, dietitians were hardly relevant to health care in Malaysia. It's a different story today. With 7 universities offering the dietetics curriculum, dietitians have options to work in public and private hospitals as well as the industry. However, the scope for dietitians to contribute in research and education is developing, and for this, the dietitian should opt for postgraduate pathways.



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**Dr. Bandana Shakya**  
Agrobiodiversity and Food System Specialist,  
International Centre for Integrated Mountain  
Development (ICIMOD), Nepal

**Dr. Bandana Shakya** is currently serving as Ad-Interim theme lead for Ecosystem Services, she is an agrobiodiversity and food system specialist at the International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development. She has over 15 years of research and development experience, mainly in co-designing and co-executing regional scale science, practice, and policy interventions in integrated topics of biodiversity conservation, ecosystem services management, landscape governance, and food system management. Her current work focus is on strengthening knowledge and practices related to mountain agrobiodiversity, and nutrition-oriented local food system development. In 2021, She was part of several UNFSS dialogues – mainly those that looked at empowering women for sustainable food system; and revitalization of local cuisine for sustainable transformation of food system in the Hindu Kush Himalayan region.



**Dr. Shi Yan**  
Farmer Shared Harvest Organic Farm,  
China

The Founder and Executive Director of Shared Harvest (Beijing) Agriculture Development Ltd, **Dr. Shi Yan** received her PhD from Agricultural Economics and Rural Development of Renmin University of China, and has finished her postdoctoral research at Tsinghua University's School of Social Sciences. As a young PhD student at Renmin University, she founded China's very first CSA (Community-supported Agriculture) Farm in China, growing and distributing organic vegetables to city consumers and renting plots of land to city folk interested in getting their hands dirty. She is now the co-president of International CSA Network (URGENCEI), and selected as one of Young Global Leaders in 2016 by World Economic Forum, one of 20 young people who is under 40 years old influence our global food system by Food Tank.



**Prof. Sapna Narula**  
Professor and Dean, School of Management  
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Professor & Dean at the School of Management Studies, Nalanda University (An Institution of National Importance under Ministry of External Affairs, Govt. of India) **Dr. Sapna A. Narula** has more than 20 years' experience in teaching & research related to Sustainable Development & Management, Corporate Social Responsibility, Business & Natural Ecosystems, Community Development & Management. She is recipient of several prestigious award such as the Emerald Literati Outstanding Paper Award 2021 for Consumer Behaviour and Purchase Intention of Organic Food; Prosper.Net Scopus Young Scientist Award organized by United Nations University, German Federal Ministry of Education and Elsevier Publications (2011) (Runner-up); among others.



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Research Scholar, Griffiths University,  
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**Mr. Diwakar KC** is a PhD Candidate with Griffith Agribusiness, Dept. of Marketing, worked as Researcher and Development Practitioner in various projects on food security, poverty reduction and agriculture value chain in Nepal, India and Indonesia. His research interests include agribusiness value chain analysis, modelling and development, agricultural sustainability, policy/strategy and food security. He is also recipient of the Student Innovation Grant 2016 from Global Centre for Food Systems Innovation, USAID for studying impact of Gravity Goods Ropeways in Nepal.



**Dr. Jyotiraj Patra**  
Project Manager, Transboundary Rivers of  
South Asia (TROSA), Oxfam in Asia

**Dr. Jyotiraj Patra**, is part of the Oxfam water governance team and leads the Transboundary Rivers of South Asia (TROSA) project. He is trained by Partnership Brokers Association (PBA) and has previously worked in knowledge brokering and advisory roles with the UK Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO), International Development Research Centre (IDRC) and the United Nations. TROSA is a regional project working with communities, the private sector, governments, and civil society to promote more inclusive river water governance in the transboundary river basins of Ganges-Brahmaputra-Meghna (GBM) and the Salween. Passionate about women-and-youth-led initiatives that foster participation, partnership, and innovation, he believes TROSA will play an instrumental role in bringing about long-lasting solutions in transboundary water governance in South Asia.



**Ms. Ugyen Yangchen**  
Department of Sustainable Development,  
College of Natural Resources,  
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Faculty of the Department of Agriculture at College of Natural Resources, Royal University of Bhutan, **Ms. Ugyen Yangchen** headed the agriculture department from 2013 to 2016. She established the Centre for Sustainable Mountain Agriculture (CSMA) in 2018 and was responsible for the overall management of the Centre till August 2021. She has wide knowledge and experience in teaching interdisciplinary modules ranging from agriculture, development, gender, and climate change. Currently, she is managing Sustainable Development Smart Agriculture Capacity (SUNSpAcE) project (2019 – 2022), funded by Erasmus+.



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Professor and Head, Punjab Agriculture  
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Head of Department of Food and Nutrition, PAU, Ludhiana, **Dr. Kiran Bains** has handled 12 adhoc research projects and guided 23 M.Sc. and 6 Ph.D. students. She has worked at Center of Innovative and Applied Bioprocessing (CIAB), Mohali as sabbatical faculty. She has achieved a competitive project funded by Harvest Plus, IFPRI, Washington DC in 2011 on assessment of zinc status of children and women. She has completed three projects funded by World Vegetable Center, Taiwan and a consultancy project funded by UNFPA. She is currently working on a project funded by Nestle India Limited. She has represented India at International Workshop to exchange best practices in nutrition awareness programs participated by representatives of 35 countries in 2010 at London, U.K.



**Ms. Bhargavi Nagendra**  
Fellow, Socratus Foundation, India

**Ms. Bhargavi Nagendra** is a Fellow with the Food Systems team at Socratus Foundation for Collective Wisdom. Her current portfolio includes themes like price support for farmers, agroecology, India centric food systems curriculum, citizenship and climate change. She worked at the Public Affairs Centre before joining Socratus and led action research projects in themes related to food security, energy, waste management and migration. Bhargavi has a Master's degree in Environmental Studies and Resource Management from TERI University, New Delhi.



**Mrs. Ram Pyari**  
Anganwadi Worker Supervisor, Ministry  
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**Mrs. Ram Pyari** is from the Nagaur district of Rajasthan who has been working as the Anganwadi Supervisor since November 2020 in her district. Prior to that she has been working as an Anganwadi Worker for the last 22 years under the 'Integrated Child Development Scheme' and the Poshan Abhiyan scheme helping women, pregnant, lactating mothers and children in the area reach better nutritional status and led a healthier life. She is in charge of organizing different programmes in the district like 'Godvarai Programme', 'Jan Swasth Sandesh' and helps in distribution of ration to women and child diagnosed with malnutrition in the area.



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**Ms Radhika Maheshwari**  
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**Ms. Radhika Maheshwari** is from Jodhpur and has been part of Robin Hood Army since 2019. Currently heading as a Academy Representative of Jodhpur Chapter. Robin Hood Army is zero funded volunteer based organization working with the vision to eliminate hunger in the society. The organization provides food to less fortunate people and along with food we also run Robin Hood Academy where we provide education to our cluster children and we have enrolled school admissions of around 200+ children. RHA doesn't support any religion. We celebrate all the festivals with our cluster families..



**Prof. Shaleen Singhal**  
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**Dr. Shaleen Singhal**, is a Professor and Dean (Research & Partnerships) at TERI School of Advanced Studies. He is a Fellow of the Higher Education Academy, United Kingdom and had been a Visiting Fulbright Fellow at the Yale University in 2018. Dr Singhal has over 24 years of research, consultancy and teaching experience in areas relating to sustainable smart cities, climate change, sustainable consumption, redevelopment, public policy and planning. Dr Singhal has successfully led several multi-disciplinary research and consultancy assignments focusing on India and other developing countries. He had been the Principal Investigator of the EU-UNEP funded Switch Asia initiative on Sustainable Consumption and Production (SCP); and the Indian Lead Collaborator of the Indian European multi-level climate governance research networking programme. He is a founding member of the International Universities Climate Alliance, member of the Global Urban Competitiveness Project Council, US, and member of the ProSPER.Net alliance in the Asia-Pacific region.



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