PROGRAMME OF WORK

Monday, 26 November 2001

8.30 am - 9.30 am Registration

9.30 am - 10.30 am Official opening of the meeting:

Message from:

Ms. Angela E.V. King, Assistant Secretary-General, Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on Gender Issues and Advancement of Women, United Nations

Mrs. Najma Heptulla, Deputy Chairman, Parliament of India

Ms. Brenda Gael McSweeney, UN Resident Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative

Dr. R.V. Vaidyanatha Ayyar, Secretary, Department of WCD, MHRD

10.30 am - 11.00 am Coffee break

11.00 am - 11.15 pm Election of officers

Adoption of programme of work

11.15 pm - 1.00 pm Presentation by **Justice Sujata Manohar**

Presentations by UN entities:

Ms. K. Menon-Sen, UNDP (7-10 minutes)
Ms. R. Balakrishnan, FAO (7-10 minutes)

Presentation of background paper by the consultant:

Ms. S. Razavi, UNRISD (20-30 minutes)

General discussion

1.00 pm - 2.30 pm Lunch

2.30 pm - 4.00 pm Presentations on topic 1: "Globalization and poverty

among women" (each presentation 7-10 minutes)

Ms. B. Agarwal Ms. S. Esim Ms. K. Gopal Ms. S. Bisnath

General discussion

4.00 pm - 4.30 pm Coffee break

4.30 pm - 6.00 pm Working groups

Working group I on topic: "Labour market changes and

female employment"

Working group II on topic: "Social policy and gender"

7.30 pm Dinner hosted by Dr. R.V. Vaidyanatha Ayyar, Secretary,

Ministry of Human Resources Development

Tuesday, 27 November 2001

9.00 am - 11.00 am Discussion of policy recommendations

Working group I: "Labour market changes and female

employment".

Working group II: "Social policy and gender"

11.00 am - 11.30 am Coffee break

11.30 am - 1.00 am Presentation of reports from working groups I and II on

topic 1 "Globalization and poverty among women"

General discussion

1.00 pm - 2.30 pm Lunch

2.30 pm - 4.00 pm Presentations on topic 2: "A transformative concept of

empowerment strategy to eradicate poverty" (each

presentation 7-10 minutes). *Mr. P.G. Dhar Chakraborti*

Ms. N. Strandberg

Ms. J. Anderson Mr. S. Sirivardana

Ms. S. Saadallah

General discussion

4.00 pm - 4.30 pm Coffee break

4.30 pm - 6.00 pm Working groups

Working group I on topic: "Main principles and key elements of a transformative concept of empowerment" Working group II on topic: "How globalization can

enhance empowerment of women"

7.00 pm - 8.00 pm Presentation by observers. (5 minutes each)

Wednesday, 28 November 2001

9.00 am - 10.30 am	Discussion of policy recommendations Working group I: "Main principles and key elements of transformative concept of empowerment" Working group II: "How globalization can enhance empowerment of women"	
10.30 am - 11.00 am	Coffee break	
11.30 am - 1.00 pm	Presentation of reports from working groups I and II on topic 2 "A transformative concept of empowerment strategy to eradicate poverty"	
	General discussion	
1.00 pm - 2.30 pm	Lunch	
2.30 pm - 4.00 pm	Drafting groups on topic 1 and topic 2	
4.00 pm - 4.30 pm	Coffee break	
4.30 pm - 6.30 pm	Drafting groups on topic 1 and topic 2	
	Consolidation of the report	
8.00 pm	Dinner hosted by H.E. Mrs. Sumitra Mahajan, Minister of	

Thursday, 29 November 2001

9.00 am - 10.00 am	Introduction of the draft report
10.00 am - 11.00 am	Launch of Swayamsidha - a programme for Empowerment of Women

State for Women and Child Development

11.00 am - 11.30 am 11.30 am - 1.00 pm	Coffee break Consolidation of draft report
1.30 pm - 2.30 pm	Press Conference
1.00 pm - 2.30 pm	Lunch
2.30 pm - 4.00 pm	Final discussion of the report
4.00 pm - 4.30 pm	Coffee break
4.30 pm - 6.00 pm	Presentation of the report Adoption of the report Closing statements Closing of the meeting