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AGENDA

<u>TIME (IST)</u>	<u>DESIRE HALL (BLUE ZONE)</u>	<u>SOVEREIGN HALL 2 (GREENZONE)</u>
10:00 – 11:15	Inaugural Session	
11:15 – 12:15	Special Session - Advancing Growth of SAF in India for Driving Global Net Zero Aviation	Special Session - India's Leadership in SAF Feedstock: Unlocking Investments and Future Opportunities
12:15 – 13:30	Panel Discussion: Unlocking Infrastructure, Investment & Industry Collaboration for SAF Adoption	Session - Robust Policy Frameworks for Sustainable SAF Feedstock Management
13:30 – 14:30	Lunch Break	
14:30 – 15:30	Session: Scaling-Up SAF: Feedstock, Production & Supply Chain Optimization	Capacity Enhancement workshop Building Workshop - From Residue to Revenue: Aviation -Fuel- Finance
15:30 – 17:00	Panel Discussion: Incentivizing SAF & Bridging the Gap for Sustainable Aviation	Roundtable Discussion: Fuel for the Future - Paving the eSAF Pathway for Net Zero Aviation
17:00 – 17:30	Media Interaction	
17:30 – 18:00	Tea Break	
18:00 – 19:30	Valedictory Session & India SAF Awards 2025	
19:30 – 20:30	Networking Dinner	

Registration Detail
Desire Hall (Blue Zone) – 9 -9.50 Hrs IST
Sovereign Hall 2 (Green Zone) – 10.30 to 11 Hrs IST

9:50 – 10:00	National Anthem and Lamp Lighting
10:00 - 10:10	Opening Remarks: Mr. Rohit Kumar, Secretary General, SAF Association
10:10 – 10:20	Welcome Address: Mr. Jimmy Olsson, President, SAF Association & Founder ZR2 Group
10:20 – 10:25	Context Setting: Mr. Balasaheb Darade, Chairman, e-SAF committee, SAFA and Founder, New Era Cleantech Solution Private Limited
10:25 – 10:30	Context Setting: Mr. Mashar Velapurath, MD, AFC India Ltd.
10:30 – 10:35	Special Address : Mr. Maneesh Kumar, Joint Director General, Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA)
10:35- 10:40	Special Address on “Industrial scenario of UP”: Mr. Shashank Chaudhary (IAS), Additional CEO, Invest UP
10:40 – 10:50	Special Address: Dr. Anita Gupta, HoD CEST Division, Department of Science and Technology
10:50 – 11:00	Special Address: H.E. Mr. Benedikt Hoskuldsson, Ambassador of Iceland to India
11:00 - 11:15	Launch of the Knowledge Report by SAF Association and Deloitte - “Roadmap for Scaling SAF in India” MOU Between SAF Association and Asia SAF Association (ASAFA) - "Advancing the adoption and integration of sustainable aviation fuel (SAF) in India and Asia"

Special Session
11:15 – 12:15 Hrs IST | Desire Hall (Blue Zone)

Special Session - Advancing Growth of SAF in India for Driving Global Net Zero Aviation

Discussing Policy, Partnerships and Expected outcomes:

- Increased domestic production of SAF using locally available feedstocks like agricultural and municipal waste.
- A clear national policy and blending targets to support SAF adoption across the aviation sector.
- Development of SAF-ready infrastructure at key airports and along transportation corridors.
- Regulatory frameworks and financial incentives such as tax breaks, subsidies, and fast-track approvals for SAF projects.
- Strong international partnerships to support technology transfer, investment, and capacity building.
- Improved energy security and reduced dependence on fossil fuels in the aviation sector..
- Emergence of India as a global leader in SAF production and a key exporter to international markets.

11:15 - 11:25	Theme Presentation on “A roadmap for scaling Sustainable Aviation Fuel in India” - Mr. Prashanth Nutula, Partner, Strategy, Risk & Transactions, Deloitte India
11:25 - 11:30	Special Address – Mr. Pranav Sood, Chief Pilot Technical, Air India Limited
11:30 – 11:35	Special Address - Ms Nicola Knight, Director EMEA Low Carbon, Worley Consulting Ltd - (Virtual)
11:35 – 11:40	Special Address – Mr. Nick Houseman, Chairman – Technology Innovation Committee, SAF Association & Co-founder, Azzera
11:40- 11:45	Special Address- Mr. Balasaheb Darade, Chairman, e-SAF committee, SAFA and Founder, New Era Cleantech Solution Private Limited
11:45 – 11:55	Special Address – Ms. Ekta Agrawal, Deputy Director, Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) India
11:55 – 12:10	Special Address – Dr. Ajay Mathur, Advisor, SAF Association and Former DG, International Solar Alliance
12:10 – 12:15	MOU Between SAF Association and Azzera - "Advancing the adoption and integration of sustainable aviation fuel (SAF) in India and Asia" MOU Between SAF Association and Travia Consultancy Services Pte Ltd. – “Advancing SAF adoption among the stakeholders”

Special Session
11:15 – 12:15 Hrs IST | Sovereign Hall 2 (Green Zone)

Special Session: India’s Leadership in SAF Feedstock: Unlocking Investments & Future Opportunities - Strategic Partner - With AFC Ltd.

Outcomes:-

This session delves into India's burgeoning role as a global leader in Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) production, emphasizing the critical need for robust financial partnerships to scale feedstock supply chains. With projections indicating the potential to produce 8–10 million tonnes of SAF annually by 2040, the country stands at the forefront of aviation decarbonization efforts

Key discussions

To focus on how financial institutions—ranging from banks and NBFCs to development finance institutions and impact investors—can structure credit, de-risk lending, and design sustainable finance instruments to support agriculture, waste management, and bioenergy ventures that supply SAF producers.

The session aims to explore collaborative models, such as Special Purpose Vehicles (SPVs), to mitigate initial risks and drive progress in SAF implementation Through these strategic partnerships, India can unlock the full potential of SAF, contributing to a sustainable aviation future and economic growth.

11:15 - 11:25	Theme Address and Presentation - Mr. Mashar Velapurath, MD, AFC India Ltd.
11:25 - 11:30	MOU Signing: SAF Association and AFC India Ltd. on advancing sustainable feedstock and capacity building Launch of the Report by SAF Association and CBR Sustainability Partners - Capacity Enhancement and Stakeholder Empowerment across SAF Value Chain in India Remarks by Mr. Rohit Kumar, Secretary General, SAF Association
11:30 - 11:35	Special Address – Mr. Satyanarayana, Chairman Marketing and Partnership Committee, Group Managing Director, Green Lubes Malaysia SDN. BHD.
11:35 – 11:40	Special Address – Mr. Rajeev Chadha, Governing Council Member, SAF Association and Managing Director, Greenways BioEnergy Pvt Ltd.
11:40 – 11:45	Special Address: Dr. Ganapathy Arumugam, Chairman, SAF Feedstock (SAF Association) & President, Enhanced Biofuels and Technologies LLC, USA
11:45 – 11:55	Special Address – Mr. Manish Dabkara, President, CMAI & Chairman, SAF Association Carbon Market Committee
11:55 – 12:05	Special Address – Mr. Sanjeev Rohilla, Chief General Manager, NABARD
12:05 – 12:15	Address by Guest of Honour - Dr. Sangita M Kasture, Advisor & Scientist 'G', Ministry of New and Renewable Energy

Panel Discussion

Unlocking Infrastructure, Investment & Industry Collaboration for SAF Adoption

12:15 – 13:30 | Desire Hall (Blue Zone)

Panel Discussion:

This high-impact panel will explore how strategic infrastructure development, targeted investments, and cross-industry collaboration can fast-track Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) adoption in India. Experts will share actionable pathways to scale production, streamline supply chains, and align stakeholders toward a commercially viable, policy-supported SAF ecosystem.

Key Outcomes:

- **Unlocking Investment & Financial Mechanisms:** Identifying innovative funding models, public-private partnerships, and policy incentives to accelerate SAF deployment.
- **Developing Robust SAF Infrastructure:** Addressing the need for production facilities, supply chain logistics, and storage solutions to scale SAF adoption efficiently.
- **Strengthening Market Confidence & De-Risking Investments:** Establishing strategies to mitigate financial risks, attract investors, and ensure the long-term economic viability of SAF projects.

Esteemed Guests on the Panel

- **Presentation** - Mr. Sarvesh Kumar, CGM (HD, Catalyst & TS), Indian Oil R&D Centre
- Mr. Jimmy Olsson, President, SAF Association & Founder ZR2 Group
- Dr. Tushar Patil, Asst. VP - Corporate Strategy, Praj Industries Ltd.
- Mr. Carlos Menendez, International Cooperation Senior Manager, Spain Civil Aviation Authority
- Mr. B. Nagabhushan, Co-chairman Feedstock Committee, Green Lubes Malaysia SDN. BHD.
- Mr. Sachin Agarwal, Director – Sustainable Technology Solutions, KBR
- Mr. Nikunj Nangalia, Chief Commercial Officer, Essar Future Energy

Moderated by Dr. Shantanu Gupta, Co-Chairman, SAF Marketing and Partnership Committee (SAF Association) & Former ED, IOCL

MOU Signing between CBR Sustainability Partners and SAF Association for advancing SAF in India

MOU Signing between C.V. Raman Global University and Climate Law Association for Capacity Enhancement in the field of environment and technology

Robust Policy Frameworks for Sustainable SAF Feedstock Management

Strategic Partner - With AFC Ltd

12:15 – 13:30 Hrs IST |

Sovereign Hall 2

(Green Zone)

Robust Policy Frameworks for Sustainable SAF Feedstock Management

Explore the role of government policies, sustainability standards, and regulatory mechanisms in shaping a sustainable feedstock ecosystem for Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) in India.

Outcomes:

- Develop a roadmap for India to attract global investments in SAF feedstock value chains.
- Identify strategies for aligning domestic policies with international aviation and trade requirements.
- Recommend approaches for integrating SAF feedstock into carbon markets to unlock additional revenue streams.
- Outline action points for policymakers, industry players, and investors to collaborate in positioning India as a global SAF feedstock hub.

12:25 - 12:40	Mr. Deepak Ballani , Director General, Indian Sugar & Bio-energy Manufacturers Association (ISMA)
12:40 – 12:50	Dr. Ramesh Kumar Yadav , Director (IES), Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises
12:50 – 13:05	Mr. Lav Kumar , Additional Director, Centre For High Technology
13:05 – 13:15	Mr. Mukesh Kumar Sharma , President- Distillery Unit, Piccadilly Agro Industries
13:15 – 13:30	Mr. Guranchal Singh , Principal – Research and Analytics, Argus Media
13:30 – 14:30	Networking Lunch

Scaling-Up SAF: Feedstock, Production & Supply Chain Optimization

14:30 – 15:30 Hrs IST

Desire Hall (Blue Zone)

Agenda: Scaling-Up Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) in India

India is poised to become a global leader in Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) production, leveraging its abundant feedstock resources, expanding infrastructure, and strategic policy initiatives. The session will focus on accelerating the development of a sustainable, cost-competitive SAF ecosystem in India through collaborative efforts among policymakers, producers, feedstock suppliers, and supply chain innovators.

Outcomes:

Establishment of a robust and sustainable SAF supply chain in India. Reduction in aviation sector carbon emissions through increased SAF adoption. Enhanced economic opportunities through job creation and export potential. Strengthened India's position in the global clean aviation market.

14:30 – 14:40	Theme Presentation – Dr. Vasudevan S, Head – Aviation, Travel and Tourism, India and APAC, ICF
14:40 – 14:50	Special Address – Dr. Ganapathy Arumugam, Chairman, SAF Feedstock (SAF Association) & President, Enhanced Biofuels and Technologies LLC, USA
14:50 – 15:00	Special Address – Mr. Rajeev Chadha, Governing Council Member, SAF Association and Managing Director, Greenways BioEnergy Pvt Ltd.
15:00 – 15:05	Special Address – Ms. Urvashi Pundir, Sustainability Consultant, ICF
15:05 – 15:15	Special Address – Mr. Stephane, Vice President Commercial of LazaJet - Virtual
15:25 – 15:30	Launch of the Report : “SAF- Samarthya” in association with ICF The opportunity of AtJ SAF in India

Capacity Enhancement workshop
From Residue to Revenue – Farm, Aviation Fuel, Finance
Strategic Partner - AFC Ltd
14:30 – 15:30 Hrs IST
Sovereign Hall 2 (Green Zone)

<p>This capacity enhancement session explores how agricultural residues, often treated as waste, can be transformed into valuable feedstock for Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF), creating a triple-win model of farm income, clean fuel, and financial innovation. It highlights how mobilizing crop residues through organized collection and aggregation systems not only mitigates open burning and emissions but also generates new revenue streams for farmers. The session also focuses on the case studies on converting used cooking oil and tyres to produce SAF.</p>	
14:30 – 14:45	<p>SAF Feedstocks: A Pathway to Sustainable Aviation - Mr. Vishal Varshney, Business Development, Lummus Technology</p>
14:45 – 15:00	<p>Upgradation of Rubber to SAF - Mr. Madhu Thiricode, CEO, Travia Consultancy Services Pte Ltd.</p>
15:00 – 15:15	<p>SAF Value Chain and Partnerships - Mr. Nipun Jagtap, Technology Expert, CBR Sustainability Partners</p>
15:15 – 15:30	<p>MOU Signing between AfriSAF followed by a Presentation from AfriSAF</p>

Panel Discussion:
Incentivizing SAF & Bridging the Gap for Sustainable Aviation
15:30 – 17:00 Hrs IST
Desire Hall (Blue Zone)

The panel discussion on "Incentivizing SAF & Bridging the Gap for Sustainable Aviation" is timely and critical, as the aviation industry strives to meet its net-zero emissions targets

Outcomes

- Maximizing SAF's Role in Scope 3 Decarbonization
- Enhancing CORSIA Implementation & Compliance
- Technology Pathways for SAF Scale-Up
- Driving Corporate & Airline Engagement
- Incentive Programs: Implementing tax credits and subsidies can encourage airlines and corporations to invest in SAF.
- Collaborative Efforts: Partnerships between airlines, fuel suppliers, and governments can accelerate SAF adoption and infrastructure development.

Invest UP Presentation - Mr. Shashank Chaudhary (IAS), Additional CEO, Invest UP

- Mr. Prasad Chaphekar, Deputy Secretary, Ministry of New and Renewable Energy
- Mr. Dhiraj Srivastava, Director General, Bureau of Energy Efficiency and Chief Engineer, Ministry of Power
- Mr. Perumal Arumugam, Manager, Mitigation Division, UNFCCC - Virtual
- Mr. Manish Dabkara, President, CMAI & Chairman, SAF Association Carbon Market Committee
- Mr. Fabrice Espinosa, CEO, Asia SAF Association (ASAFa)
- Mr. Nikunj Nangalia, Chief Commercial Officer, Essar Future Energy
- Mr. Satyanarayana, Chairman, Marketing and Partnership Committee, SAF Association and Group Managing Director, Green Lubes Malaysia SDN. BHD.
- Ms. Africa Abajas Bermejillo, Sustainable Aviation Senior Manager, ICF



Session Moderated by Mr. Rohit Kumar, Secretary General, SAF Association & Carbon Markets Association of India

Roundtable Discussion
Fuel for the Future - Paving the eSAF Pathway for Net Zero Aviation
15:30 – 17:30 Hrs IST
Sovereign Hall 2 (Green Zone)

Roundtable Discussion: Fuel for the Future - Paving the eSAF Pathway for Net Zero Aviation

Venue: Sovereign Hall

Outcome

The roundtable aims to convene key public and private stakeholders to assess India's preparedness to scale e-SAF, identify ecosystem actors, and map critical enablers across the value chain—from renewable power generation to fuel deployment in aviation. The discussion will focus on three thematic pillars:

- (1) **Commitments & Targets**, exploring how e-SAF contributes to India's net-zero pathways and green hydrogen strategy;
- (2) **Capital & Financing**, examining the investment landscape, carbon market mechanisms, and multilateral funding opportunities
- (3) **Collaboration & Institutional Frameworks**, fostering alignment with global standards and facilitating cross-sectoral cooperation among government agencies, private developers, financiers, and R&D institutions.

The roundtable will culminate in the development of a White Paper outlining India's e-SAF potential, policy gaps, and stakeholder-driven recommendations for national strategy and international positioning..

15:30 – 15:40	Inaugural Address for the Roundtable
15:40 – 15:55	Address by the Moderator: Dr. Shantanu Gupta , Co-Chairman, SAF Marketing Committee (SAF Association) & Former ED, Indian Oil
15:55 – 16:00	Chairman: Mr. Balasaheb Darade , Chairman, e-SAF committee, SAFA and Founder, New Era Cleantech Solution Private Limited

16:00 – 17:20	Eminent Participant: Mr. Vineet Bakshi , Director- Business Development, LanzaJet & LanzaTech
	Eminent Participant: Mr. Ishan Gulati , Manager (Planning and Promotion), JGC Corporation
	Eminent Participant: Mr. Frank Mischler , Director Policy, International PtX Hub – Virtual
	Eminent Participant: Mr Ujval Bhatt , Senior Staff Consultant, KBC Advanced Technologies Private
	Eminent Participant: Mr. Guranchal Singh , Principal – Research and Analytics, Argus Media
	Eminent Participant: Mr. Georg Jahnsen , Head of Project, GIZ India
	Eminent Participant: Mr. Nick Houseman , Chairman – Technology Innovation Committee, SAF Association & Co-founder, Azzera
	Eminent Participant: Mr. Rishi Bigghe , Associate Director, Strategy, Risk & Transactions, Deloitte India
	Eminent Participant: Mr. Prashant Naik , Sr. Director – Business Development, Lummus Technology
	Eminent Participant: Mr. Sarvesh Kumar , CGM (HD, Catalyst & TS), Indian Oil R&D Centre
	Eminent Participant: Mr. Jonathan Wood , Chief Commercial Officer, Nova Pangaea Technologies – Virtual
	Eminent Participant: Mr. Amr Aly , the Country Manager, EgyptAir
	Eminent Participant: Mr. Kumar Abhishek , Energy Advisor, GIZ India
	Eminent Participant: Mr. Samyak Pandey , Editor, Global Biofuels, Agriculture and Proteins Markets News, S&P Global Commodity Insights
	Eminent Participant: Mr. Karan Arora , Energy Advisor, GIZ India
	Eminent Participant: Mr. Dipti Lavya Swain , Founder and Managing Partner, DLS Law Offices
Eminent Participant: Mr. Piyush Dhawan , Advisor, Climate Law Association	
Eminent Participant: Mr. Pranav Jain , CA	
	Eminent Participant: Mr. Harshal Arekar , Manager, MEC Intelligence
	Eminent Participant: Ms. Kriti Sharma , Director, Sunday Power Agritech Pvt Ltd.
	Eminent Participant: Mr. Shailesh Agarwal , Financial Consultant
17:20 – 17:30	Closing Remarks by the Moderator and by Mr. Vinod Kumar Dhaaka , Director, SAF Association
17:30 – 18:00	Tea Break

Valedictory Session & India SAF Awards 2025

Desire Hall

18:00 – 19:30 Hrs IST

Outcomes: “The Way Forward for SAF and Net-Zero Aviation” will include a consolidated roadmap for scaling Sustainable Aviation Fuel adoption in India, strategies for integrating SAF into national net-zero commitments, frameworks for policy and financial support, and strengthening international cooperation to position India as a global leader in clean aviation.	
18:00 – 18:05	Welcome Address – Mr. Rohit Kumar, Secretary General, SAF Association
18:05 – 18:10	Theme Address - Mr. Jimmy Olsson, President, SAF Association & Founder ZR2 Group
18:10 – 18:15	Special Address - Mr. Mashar Velapurath, MD, AFC India Ltd.
18:20 – 18:25	Special Address – Mr. Balaji P, Group Head Governance Risk Compliance and Corporate Affairs Air India
18:25 – 18:30	Special Address – Dr. Alok Sharma, Director (Research and Development), Indian Oil Corporation
18:30 – 18:40	Special Address – Mr. Upendra Tripathy, Advisor, SAF Association and Former Secretary, MNRE
18:40 – 18:45	Address by Chief Guest – *Shri Nitin Gadkari, Hon’ble Minister, Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, Government of India
18:45 – 18:50	Vote of Thanks by Mr. Dhanish Goyal, Chairman, EPR Alliance and CEO, S.D. Polymers Pvt. Ltd.
18:50 – 19:30	India SAF Awards 2025 Recognizing excellence across the SAF ecosystem
19:30 – 20:30	Networking Dinner

*invited
