

Government of India
National Advisory Council

30th August, 2010

1. The fourth meeting of the National Advisory Council was chaired by Smt. Sonia Gandhi on 30th August, 2010 at 2 Motilal Nehru Place, New Delhi.
2. Members who attended the meeting were Prof. M.S. Swaminathan, MP, Dr. Ram Dayal Munda, MP, Prof Narendra Jadhav, Prof. Pramod Tandon, Dr. Jean Dreze, Ms. Aruna Roy, Shri Madhav Gadgil, Shri N.C. Saxena, Dr. A.K. Shiva Kumar, Shri Deep Joshi, Ms. Farah Naqvi, Shri Harsh Mander, Ms. Mirai Chatterjee.
3. A presentation was made by Shri Harsh Mander, convenor of the Working Group on National Food Security Bill, detailing the Working Group's proposal. The proposal highlighted various components of the Food Security Bill, namely, (i) Inclusive and Enhanced PDS; (ii) Child and Maternal Nutrition and (iii) Special Programmes for Destitute and Vulnerable groups, (iv) PDS Reforms and (v) Enabling Provisions.
4. NAC discussed the proposal of the Working Group and agreed to continue further consultations on the subject.
5. Ms Farah Naqvi, convenor of the Working Group on Communal Violence Bill appraised the status of re-drafting of the Communal Violence Bill. The Working Group has constituted a Drafting Committee (DC) and an Advisory Group (AG). Details are available on the NAC website (<http://nac.nic.in>) including a dedicated email ID for citizens' submissions.
6. The next meeting of the NAC is scheduled to be held on 24th Sept, 2010.