

Vote of Thanks: Rupa Dutta, Economic Advisor

Friday, 21st June 2019



Good Afternoon!

Hon'ble Minister from Zimbabwe
Hon'ble Minister from Central African Republic,
KP Chair, Mr. Alok Vardhan Chaturvedi,
Mr Alexander, Vice Chair of KP, Russian Federation,
Mr. Stephane Fischler and members of WDC
Mr. Shamiso Mtisi and his team
Leaders of Workings groups and sub-groups
Present dignitaries
My fellow colleagues from KP Family,
Ladies and Gentlemen.

We have heard from the Chairs of the Working Group & Committees what has been done and is going to be done in their areas of work.

I am honoured to have this opportunity to present the vote of thanks for all those who have toiled hard to make this Intersessional a grand success.

I would like to thank KP chair Mr. Alok Vardhan Chaturvedi for his support and guidance which has always paved the way forward to make a more efficient and strengthened KP.

What we have witnessed over the last week is the commitment of KP participants and all the other stakeholders in strengthening the scope of KP.

Hon'ble Minister of Mines and Mining Development, Zimbabwe, Mr. Winston Chitando, and Hon'ble Minister of Mines & Geology, Central African Republic, Mr. Leopold Fatran. It was a pleasure to have you both here in India. Thank you for your presence.

KP Vice Chair, Russian Federation has been working closely with us, offering valuable suggestions and feedback wherever needed. Thank you Alexander.

Mr. Stephane Fischler, President World Diamond Council has been forthright in sharing his insights and vast knowledge about the world diamond industry with us. He has always been very supportive and helpful. Thank you Stephen

I also want to thank Mr. Shamiso Mtisi, Coordinator of Civil Society Coalition and his team for their active participation and suggestions which contribute in making a strong and evolved KP.

Thank you Ms. Elke from ASM for coming all the way from Antwerp to assist us in the meeting. Looking forward to seeing you in November also and your valuable continuing support.

GJEPC, as a co-organiser for this Intersessional Meet, has done a fantastic job. I would like to thank Mr. Pramod Agrawal, Chairman GJEPC, Mr Sabyasachi Ray, ED, and the entire GJEPC team for their support extended in this regard.

Thank you to all those who are associated with the organising of this event including Shiamak Davar and team who energised us all with an electrifying performance, the event managers as well as the hotel in making this Intersessional successful and memorable event.

I thank my team from Ministry of Commerce and Industry for their invaluable support.

Friends.. This day also marks the farewell for Mr Louis Perron from Canada who has been the part of KP specially in WGDE since the beginning. On behalf of entire KP Family, I would like to thank him for his valuable contribution. We will surely miss him.

Last but not the least, I thank all of you for your active participation, insights, open deliberations in the meetings.

I also take this opportunity to invite all of you to the KP plenary meeting which will be held from 11th -15th November 2019 in New Delhi.

Have a safe flight home and See you all in Delhi for Plenary Meet.

Thank You!

And Good bye till we meet again