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NORTH-EAST INDIAN OCEAN REGIONAL  
WORKSHOP TO FACILITATE THE DESCRIPTION  
OF ECOLOGICALLY OR BIOLOGICALLY  
SIGNIFICANT MARINE AREAS  
Colombo, 23-27 March 2015

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

1. Opening of the workshop.
2. Election of the workshop co-chairs, adoption of the agenda and organization of work.
3. Workshop background, scope and output.
4. Review of relevant scientific data/information/maps compiled for the workshop.
5. Description of areas meeting the scientific criteria for EBSAs and other relevant compatible and complementary nationally and intergovernmentally agreed scientific criteria
6. Identification of gaps and needs for further elaboration in describing areas meeting EBSA criteria, including the need for the development of scientific capacity and future scientific collaboration.
7. Other matters.
8. Adoption of the report.
9. Closure of the workshop.

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