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

PROPOSED ORGANIZATION OF TRAINING DAY

22 March 2015, Sunday

9 a.m. to 9.20 a.m.	Opening and Introduction of Participants
9.20 a.m. to 9:45 a.m.	Session I. Regional Context of Marine Biodiversity Conservation and Sustainable Use
	South Asia Cooperative Environment Programme (SACEP) (10 min)
	Bay of Bengal Large Marine Ecosystem Programme (10 min)
	Q&A (5 min)
9:45 a.m. to 10.45 a.m.	Session II. Global Context of Marine Biodiversity Conservation and Sustainable Use (by CBD Secretariat and GOBI Secretariat)
	• Overview of CBD's relevant work on marine and coastal biodiversity (40 min)
	✓ Ecologically or Biologically Significant Marine Areas
	 ✓ Addressing threats to marine biodiversity : Ocean Acidification, Marine Debris, and Underwater Noise
	✓ Tools and guidelines : Marine Spatial Planning, Impact Assessment, and Priority Actions for Target 10 on Coral Reefs
	• Global Ocean Biodiversity Initiative's work related to EBSAs (10 min)
	Q&A (10 min)
10.45 a.m. to 11.15 a.m.	Coffee/tea break
11.15 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.	Session III. Ecologically or Biologically Significant Marine Areas (by CSIRO/Australia)
	Scientific Criteria for EBSAs
	Application of the EBSA criteria
	Data compilation and analysis
	Use of EBSA information for the application of the ecosystem approach and marine spatial planning
	Q&A (15 min)
12.30 p.m. to 2 p.m.	Lunch
2 p.m. to 3.30 p.m.	Session IV. EBSA Exercise (by CSIRO/Australia)
3.30 p.m. to 4 p.m.	Coffee/tea break
4 p.m. to 5 p.m.	Session IV. continued
	Closing
