Vote of Thanks for DG NLI, Shri V.P. Yajurvedi for the International Conference on South-South Cooperation – Innovations in Public Employment Programmes for Sustainable Inclusive Growth 01-03rd March 2012, New Delhi

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Respected Shri Mallikarjun Kharge, Hon’ble Labour & Employment Minister of India, Hon’ble Labour & Employment Ministers from the participating countries of Asia, Africa and South America, Hon’ble Labour & Employment Ministers of State Governments of India, Secretary (L&E) and senior officials of Central Ministries and state governments, Officials from ILO, Representative of Central Trade Union Organizations and Employer bodies, Representatives of UN bodies, participating countries and ILO, distinguished invitees and guests, delegates to this Workshop, members of the electronic and print media, ladies and gentlemen.

First of all, I would like to humbly thank Shri Mallikarjun Kharge, Hon’ble Labour & Employment Minister for guiding, inspiring and leading us throughout the Conference. We are also grateful to the Hon’ble Labour Ministers from the participating countries of Asia, Africa and South America for their valuable advice, inputs and insight.

Let me thank respected Dr. Mrutyunjay Sarangi, Hon’ble Secretary to the Government of India for being the guiding spirit and inspiration in conceptualizing and designing this ambitious Conference. Let me once again thank all delegates, representatives, experts and concerned officials for the deliberations which were very interesting and thought provoking. It’s been very insightful and all are quite content with
the way we have completed the Conference. Let me also thank officials of Ministry of Rural Development, Ministry of External Affairs and Ministry of Labour & Employment for the successful hosting of the Conference on South-South Cooperation.

I would also like to express our sincere gratitude and appreciation to ILO, UN Agencies, interpreters, ITDC, ICAR and State Governments of Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh for their crucial roles in making this Conference a very successful and memorable one.

Our special thanks go to Shri A.C. Pandey, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Labour & Employment and his dedicated team from various Bureaus of our Ministry for the successful completion of this Conference.

Last but not least, I would like to thank the representatives of various Workers’ and Employers’ organizations, members of electronic and print media, invitees and others who have contributed in making this conference a success.

Before I conclude, let me state that this Conference is just a beginning for furthering South-South Cooperation in “Innovations in Public Employment Programmes for Sustainable Inclusive Growth”. There is urgent need to go an extra-mile for addressing the challenge of creating 600 millions jobs globally in the next decade. In this regard, South-South Cooperation can play a very crucial and vital role

Thank you.

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