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Dr. Ravi Reddy,
Secretary, REEDS India

Dear Dr. Reddy,

On behalf of Canada India Foundation, I extend my congratulations and best wishes to the Organizing Committee for a productive and successful SKILLS 2015 conference, taking place on November 19-20, 2015 in Hyderabad, India.

The objective of the SKILLS2015 is not only noble, but in the Indian context highly relevant and essential. The fact that 70% of rural households in India are without access to toilets, leading to not only to greater healthcare costs but also loss of productivity, is a matter of great concern not only to India, but also to the whole world. India's Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi had taken the lead in rectifying this situation with his Swachh Bharat Abhiyan campaign, and it is up to civil society in India as well as international well-wishers to make this campaign successful. Canada India Foundation is proud to be represented at the conference by one of its Directors of the Board, Mr. Vijay SastryKotamarti, who is also a Member of the International Advisory Committee for SKILLS 2015.

I wish the organizers continued success with the follow-up to the conference as well.

Sincerely,

KalyanSundaram
Executive Director
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