



## AGENDA

### One-day International Consultative Workshop on

### *'Role Of Forestry, Agroforestry, And Land Restoration in Achieving Net Zero in the Asian Region'*

12<sup>th</sup> December 2023 from 9:30 AM onwards

DLT-10 Seminar Hall, BITS Pilani, K K Birla Goa Campus, Goa

9:30-10:00 AM Arrival of participants, Registration (Workshop kit & Tea/ Coffee will be provided)

10:00-10:15 AM	Welcome of dignitaries on stage Lightning of traditional lamp.
10.15 – 10:25 AM	Welcome Remarks by Prof. Suman Kundu, Director, BITS- Pilani, Goa Campus
10:25 - 10:35 AM	Setting the context of this meeting & Introduction to IUCN CEM's Forest Ecosystems Specialist Group by Prof. Rajiv Kumar Chaturvedi, BITS-Pilani, Goa
10:35-10:45 AM	Dr. Deepu Sivadas, Chair, South Asia Region, CEM/IUCN - Introduction to activities of South Asian Region, IUCN-CEM, process for membership and other details
10:45-10:55 AM	Mr. Nishant Jain, Senior Programme Officer, IUCN India office – IUCN India office, and its activities in the forest sector especially in context of Net Zero goal
10:55-11:05 AM	Remarks by Shri. Umakant, Addl. PCCF and Chief Wildlife Warden, Goa
11:05-11:15 AM	Remarks by the Guest of Honour, Shri Nilesh Cabral, MLA, Curchorem & Former Hon'ble. Environment & Climate Change Minister, Goa (TBC)
11:15 – 11:25 AM	Tea Break

<p>11:25 – 12:15 PM</p>	<p><b><u>Plenary Session</u></b></p> <p>1. Keynote Address by Prof. Amit Garg, IIM - Setting the broad context for Net Zero, placement of forest sector in broad NZ debate, evolving international reporting requirements and associated challenges</p> <p>2. Keynote Address- Prof. Mohan Kumar B, Ex-Vice Chancellor, Arunachal University (<i>Expert and one of the authors of the National Agroforestry Policy</i>)- Agroforestry and its role in Net Zero Strategy in South Asia.</p> <p>(20 min address each &amp; 10-minute discussion)</p>
<p>12:15- 12:30 PM</p>	<p>Mr. Namgyel Wangdi, Senior Programme Officer, Bhutan Ecological Society (Representative from Bhutan) – Success story of Bhutan in achieving Net Zero goal, how forest sector contributed to this</p>
<p>12:30-1:15 PM</p>	<p>Lunch Break</p>
<p>1:30-3:45 PM</p>	<p>(10 minutes discussion after talks)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Prof. Rajiv Kumar Chaturvedi, Associate Professor, BITS-Pilani, Goa - Science and Policy Challenges in Indian Forest Sector in context of Net Zero goal (15 min)</li> <li>2. Dr. Joy Rajbanshi, Program Associate, CEEW- Integrated modeling approach for the LULUCF sector (20 min)</li> <li>3. Dr. Rajashri Dasgupta, Assistant Professor, IIT Delhi - How can mangroves help in carbon sequestration? (15 min)</li> <li>4. Dr. Pradip Sarmokadam, Member Secretary, Goa State Biodiversity Board – State Action Plan on Climate Change in Goa (15 min)</li> <li>5. Mr. Anindya Bhattacharya, Celestial Earth -Net Zero Strategy for Goa with focus on forest sector (20 min)</li> <li>6. Mr. Shirish Kanitkar, Pune Knowledge Cluster, office of PSA, Gol – Urban Forestry Initiatives and their need. (15 min)</li> <li>7. Dr. Nitin Sukh, Investment &amp; Impact Director- Resilient, CIFOR ICRAF- Incubation programme for Landscape restoration and Nature based solution (15 min)</li> <li>8. Mr. Gopal Sarkate, Assistant Manager, NABARD- Financial opportunities in Forestry sector GHG mitigation (10 min)</li> </ol>
<p>3:45-4:00 PM</p>	<p>Tea Break</p>

<p><b>04:00-05:00 PM</b></p>	<p><b>Panel Discussion</b></p> <p><b><u>Topic: Meeting the Science and Policy Challenges for Net Zero Transition in India in the forestry &amp; agroforestry sector</u></b></p> <p><i>(Identify gaps, research priorities, trade-offs, and co-benefits in the context of Net Zero and LULUCF sector and provide a vision and roadmap for the policy makers and funding agencies)</i></p> <p><b>Moderator- Prof. Rajiv Kumar Chaturvedi</b></p> <p><b>Discussants:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Dr. Deepu Sivadas</li> <li>2. Shri Umakant</li> <li>3. Prof. Mohan Kumar B.</li> <li>4. Dr. Pradip Sarmokdam</li> <li>5. Mr. Namgyal Wengdi</li> <li>6. Dr. Rajarshi Dasgupta</li> <li>7. Dr. Nitin Sukh</li> <li>8. Mr Nishant Jain</li> <li>9. Dr. Joy Rajbanshi</li> <li>10. Mr Anindya Bhattacharya</li> <li>11. Mr. Gopal Sarkate</li> <li>12. Dr. Darwin, NIO, Goa</li> <li>13. Mr. Shirish Kanitkar</li> </ol>
<p><b>5:00-5:10 PM</b></p>	<p><b>Discussion with the audience/participants/ Remarks by Shri Umakant</b></p>
<p><b>5:10-5:20 PM</b></p>	<p><b>Vote of thanks by HoD, HSS/ Director, BITS-Pilani, Goa (TBC)</b></p>
<p><b>5:20 PM onwards</b></p>	<p><b>High Tea</b></p>