Uttar Pradesh State Biodiversity Board





Announces

A Conference on the occasion of

International Day for Biological Diversity, 22nd May 2015 on the theme

" Biodiversity for Sustainable Development"

About the Conference:

This year's theme reflects the importance of efforts made at all levels to establish a set of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) as part of the United Nations Post-2015 Development Agenda for the period of 2015-2030 and the relevance of biodiversity for the achievement of sustainable development.

The selection of the theme also underlines the adoption of the Gangwon Declaration, by ministers and participants to the High-level Segment of the twelfth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD). The Gangwon Declaration welcomed the importance given to biodiversity in the document of the Open Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals and called for the further integration and mainstreaming of biodiversity in the Post-2015 Development Agenda.

The U.P. State Biodiversity Board is celebrating the International Day for Biological Diversity on 22nd May, 2015 at Lucknow. The aim of the conference is to provide an effective platform for all those who are concerned with *"Biodiversity for Sustainable Development"*

Background:

Humanity's fate is tightly linked with biological diversity – the variety of life on earth. Biodiversity is essential for sustainable development and human well-being. The examples are plenty.

- Biodiversity is a vital asset in global and local economies
- Food production depends on biodiversity and the services provided by ecosystems
- Clean and secure supplies of water also depend on biodiversity
- Biodiversity and ecosystem functioning provide goods and services essential for human health including nutrients, clean air and water and regulation of pests and vector-based diseases
- Biodiversity is the basis for sustainable livelihoods
- Traditional knowledge associated with biodiversity is also important and has value not only to those who depend on it in their daily lives but to modern industry and agriculture as well
- Biodiversity is the cornerstone of the work, belief systems and basic survival of many women
- Biodiversity plays a major role in mitigating climate change by contributing to longterm sequestration of carbon in a number of biomes
- Even the built environments of our cities are linked to and affected by biodiversity

Call for papers:

Papers are invited on various aspects of *"Biodiversity for Sustainable Development"* including:-

- 1. Biodiversity for Sustainable Development.
- 2. Addressing the underlying causes of biodiversity loss.
- 3. Promoting sustainable use of Biodiversity.
- 4. Biodiversity and Ecosystem services.
- 5. Gang won Declaration.
- 6. Nagoya Protocol on Access to genetic resources and their fair and equitable sharing of benefits.
- 7. Status of implementation of guidelines on Access to Biological Resources and Associated Knowledge and Benefits Sharing Regulations, 2014
- 8. Food Security and Biodiversity.
- 9. Biodiversity Conservation & Challenges
- 10. Any other relevant topic

So kindly send your papers as soon as possible (before 30th April 2015)

Papers are invited in electronic format, typed in MS Word, using 12 point font and no less than 2.5 cm (1-inch) margins, 1.5 spacing, with colour photographs (jpg. format) along with brief bio data of the authors **before 30th April**, **2015** through E-mail/CD. All papers must contain the following information:

- Author(s) and affiliations
- Key contact and correspondence email address
- Theme: one among the above

<u>A single paper may not be more than 08-10 pages in all. The</u> <u>limitation of length of paper may be strictly adhered to</u>. The E-mail ID for all correspondence related to the Conference will be: <u>upstatebiodiversityboard@gmail.com</u>. The selected and relevant articles will be published in a Souvenir to be released at the time of inauguration of the conference.

The <u>registration is free</u> for all the invited participants or for those articles that will be accepted for publication. Acceptance of paper for publication does not guarantee payment of TA to travel and attend the conference. Anyone wanting to take part in the conference may arrange for their TA from their own sources along with boarding and lodging. <u>The Board will not be arranging for TA</u>, <u>boarding or lodging of any participant.</u>

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