

National Conference on "Be Part of the Plan"

Organized by U.P. State Biodiversity Board on 22nd May 2024



BE PART OF THE PLAN

International Day
for Biodiversity
2024



On the occasion of IDB 2024, Uttar Pradesh State Biodiversity Board organized a National Conference on 22 May, 2024 on "*Be Part of the Plan*" at ITC Mughal, Agra, in which more than 350 delegates including Scientists from various institutes/research organizations, Students from school/colleges, BMC members, officers from U.P. Forest Department and other states as well as NGOs etc participated actively in the event.

The programme started with lighting the lamp followed by welcoming the guests and the delegates.



Lighting of Lamp by the Dignitaries at Dias

Shri B. Prabhakar, Secretary, Uttar Pradesh State Biodiversity Board gave a start to the program by elaborating the objectives of the seminar. He said that India is a party to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD); it is legally binding international agreement. This agreement draws attention of all parties concerned with biodiversity. The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC) is the nodal ministry for the implementation of CBD in India. He also discussed about the “Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework” (KMGBF) in his presentation. At the end of his presentation he also briefed about the efforts and work done by Uttar Pradesh State Biodiversity Board in the direction of Conservation of Biodiversity.



Special guest of the occasion **Shri Sudhir Kumar Sharma**, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Head of the Department, Uttar Pradesh, said



that biodiversity or biological diversity refers to the varieties and variability of life on earth. Shri Sharma said that society and all departments have an important role in biodiversity conservation and promotion. As forest biodiversity being located in inaccessible and remote areas, the role of Forest and Wildlife Department in the conservation of rare forest

biodiversity is special and important. On the one hand, the Forest and Wildlife Department is doing scientific management of the forest, while on the other hand, it is the responsibility of the department to strictly implement the legal provisions for the protection of this invaluable wealth. Due to geographical and climatic diversity, our state is rich in biodiversity and a habitat for various animal and plant species. Today the whole world is worried and thoughtful about the adverse effects of environmental pollution due to the increasing amount of carbon in the atmosphere due to increasing biological pressure. Through the implementation of various programmes, schemes and legal provisions, we can be successful in protecting biodiversity to some extent, but as per the spirit of International Biodiversity Day, we can achieve this by getting public participation on a large scale to save biodiversity.



Chief guest on this occasion **Shri Manoj Singh**, Additional Chief Secretary, Environment, Forest and Climate Change Department, Uttar Pradesh Government/Chairman, Uttar Pradesh State Biodiversity Board said that our ancestors considered forests and trees as Gods for the welfare of living beings and made protection, planting and

irrigation of these resources an essential part of religion, tradition, culture and

daily life. As a result of the tradition of preserving forests, trees, rivers and wild animals by considering them as Gods, the state is rich in biodiversity even when there is immense biological pressure on its natural resources.

He said, today the whole world is busy thinking about solving the problem of climate change, this problem can be solved easily by adopting Indian thought and culture and considering forests and trees as an integral part. Shri Singh said that we have our own interest in protecting biodiversity. Although governments play a leading role in achieving this goal (through Ministries responsible for environment, forests, agriculture, fisheries, energy, tourism, etc.), there is a lack of involvement of society in the sustainable use and conservation of biodiversity. There is a need to actively involve other sectors of the society in determining the role of other sectors and activities.

Shri Singh said that the “Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework” (KMGBF) was adopted in December 2022. This framework includes four broad objectives (goals) and 23 targets (targets) to be achieved by the year 2030. The Chief Guest and Chairman, Uttar Pradesh State Biodiversity Board requested the participants on this occasion to ensure pollution-free and uninterrupted and clean flow of wetlands by adopting environment-friendly lifestyle, reducing carbon foot print, providing cooperation in tree plantation, and ensuring conservation of biological resources.

In the **first technical session**, deliberations were given by the senior forest officers:

Shri Sanjaya Singh, retired, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Wildlife said that nature itself is capable of stopping biodiversity degradation and restoring biodiversity and the solution lies in nature itself. Man has to avoid unnecessary interference in the cycle of nature. His presentation was based on Nature-Based Solutions: Be Part of the Plan.

Shri A.K. Rastogi, retired, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Head of Forest Force, Bihar said that the goal of zero carbon emissions has an important role in environment protection and biodiversity conservation.

Shri KP Dubey, retired, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Wildlife, while throwing light on biodiversity based economic conservation, said that preserving biodiversity is essential for livelihood, food security and income generation for the entire society, especially for the poor, weak and deprived sections.

Shri Mudit Singh, retired, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Head of Forest Force, Chhattisgarh said that biodiversity conservation reduces the rate of climate change and reducing the rate of climate change increases biodiversity. Thus, biodiversity and climate change are very closely related to each other. In view of this, there is a need for the society to make concerted efforts towards reducing the rate of climate change and preserving and enhancing biodiversity.

Shri Sunil Chaudhary, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Monitoring and Working Plan, highlighted the role and importance of action planning for the conservation of natural biodiversity present in natural forests for the last 150 years.

Shri Sanjay Srivastava, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Wildlife, Uttar Pradesh, while throwing light on the plant and animal diversity found in the state. He said that our state is rich in biodiversity and a habitat for various animal and plant species. He stated that approx. 2932 plant species and 2434 animal species are found in our state.

In the **second technical session**, representatives of various line departments viz. Forest, Agriculture, Fisheries, Horticulture, Environment, Animal Husbandry, Panchayati Raj and Urban Development discussed and shared their view regarding importance of biodiversity in the implementation of the Biodiversity Plan in view of the theme "Be a part of the Biodiversity Plan"

along with the importance of Biodiversity Management Committees (BMCs) and People's Biodiversity Register (PBRs).



A brochure on “*Biodiversity Heritage Site of Uttar Pradesh*” was also released by the Chief Guest and Special Guest of this occasion.

The conference ended with the vote of thanks given by Shri Anil Patel, Conservator of Forests, Agra to Shri Manoj Singh, Chief Guest, Additional Chief Secretary, Environment, Forest and Climate Change Department, Uttar Pradesh Government/Chairman, Uttar Pradesh State Biodiversity Board, Shri Sudhir Kumar Sharma Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Head of Forest Force, Uttar Pradesh, Senior forest officers, representatives of various line departments, Shri Mukesh Singh President, IACC, representatives of Research Institutes/ Universities, NGOs, members of Biodiversity Management Committees, progressive farmers, students and delegates attending the conference.

GLIMPSES OF SOME VIEWS ON THE OCCASION OF INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY-2024



Lightening of Lamp by the Dignitaries at Dias



View of Chief Guest, Special Guest and Speakers at Dias



View of BMC Members attending the IDB celebration



View of Students attending the IDB celebration



View of Audience



Representative from line department delivering Lecture

PRESS CLIPPINGS


HINDUSTAN TIMES: 23-05-2024

...two days, pla-
ces like Jhansi, Shahjahanpur,
and Bundelkhand will experi-
ence the highest temperatures
in the state.

...and potential in the field
geriatric medicine," said
Prof Usman.

**Alliance Air starts
Lucknow-Varanasi flight**

LUCKNOW: Alliance A
started its flight opera
from Lucknow to Var
on Wednesday. The
spokesperson of Luck
airport said, "The All



**Officials and guests at the meet
to mark International
Biodiversity Day** HT PHOTO

**8 TARGETS FIXED
FOR BIODIVERSITY
CONSERVATION**

LUCKNOW: Conservation of bio-
diversity was linked to human
existence as biodiversity was sig-
nificant for the entire ecosystem,
said experts at a national confer-
ence to mark International Bio-
diversity Day on Wednesday.
Secretary, biodiversity board, B
Prabhakar said eight short term
targets had been decided for bio-
diversity conservation. Mukesh
Singh, president, Lucknow chap-
ter of Indo-American Chamber
of Commerce and senior officials
of the forest department also
shared their views. **HTC**

**CSIR-CIMAP INKS
PACT WITH
FICCI-FLO**

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LUCKNOW: The Coun-
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of Commerce and In
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Trivedi, director of
MAP, and members
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**Trees are sacred, preserve them,
say experts on Biodiversity Day**

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Lucknow: There is a need to
make the society sensitive
about the importance and role
of biodiversity in maintain-
ing and protecting the eco-
system.

People should under-
stand that human existence
is possible only through the
conservation of biodiversi-
ty, said environment experts
and policymakers during a
national seminar organized
on the occasion of Interna-
tional Biodiversity Day by
the Uttar Pradesh State Bio-
diversity Board in Agra on
Wednesday.

Secretary B Prabhakar
of UP State Biodiversity Bo-
ard, Lucknow said, "The the-
me of International Bio-
diversity Day 2024 is 'Become a
part of the biodiversity
plan.' The plan has been pre-
pared in accordance with the
Kunming Montreal Protocol
which is made to prevent bio-
diversity degradation and
restore biodiversity."

He said that during the
national seminar it was
highlighted that India is a
party to the Convention on
Biological Diversity (CBD),
which is the international
legal instrument for 'the con-



FOR CONSERVATION OF BIODIVERSITY: The seminar was held in
Agra on Wednesday

...ervation of biological di-
versity, the sustainable use
of its components and the fa-
ir and equitable sharing of
the benefits arising out of
the utilization of genetic re-
sources' that has been rati-
fied by 196 nations.

PCCF and HoD, forest, SK
Sharma, who was also the
special guest on the occa-
sion, said that the society
and every department have a
great role to play in conser-
vation of biodiversity. UP
has a rich biodiversity. The
state has 2,932 flora and 2,434
fauna. ACS, Environment,
Forest and Climate Change
and chairman, UP State Bio-
diversity Board, Manoj
Singh said that UP has over
6.4% of the country's flora

and 2.7% of the country's
fauna. He said that our an-
cestors considered forest
and trees as sacred, and lin-
ked them to our culture, reli-
gion and tradition.

Sanjay Singh, retired
PCCF (wildlife), UP said that
nature is self-sufficient to
control the loss of biodiver-
sity and restore it.

The agreement draws the
attention of all parties con-
cerned with biodiversity.
The ministry of environ-
ment, forest and climate
change (MoEFCC) is the na-
tional ministry for the imple-
mentation of CBD in India.

Brochures of the Bio-
diversity Heritage Site (BHS)
prepared by the board were
released on the occasion.

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‘प्रकृति की विविधता बचाना सभी की जिम्मेदारी’

पारिस्थितिकी तंत्र बनाए रखने और जैव विविधता के संरक्षण पर 5 घंटे चला मंथन

आगरा। अंतरराष्ट्रीय जैव विविधता दिवस पर होटल मुगल शेरटन में 5 घंटे तक विशेषज्ञों के बीच पारिस्थितिकी तंत्र को बनाए रखने और जैव विविधता के संरक्षण पर मंथन चला। मुख्य अतिथि पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन विभाग के अपर मुख्य सचिव मनोज सिंह ने कहा कि हमारे पूर्वज मनुष्य के कल्याण के लिए वन और वृक्षों को देव स्वरूप मानते थे। सुरक्षा, रोपण और सिंचाई दैनिक जीवन का जरूरी काम था।

उत्तर प्रदेश राज्य जैव विविधता बोर्ड ने रविवार को राष्ट्रीय संगोष्ठी आयोजित की। अपर मुख्य सचिव ने कहा कि जैविक दबाव होने पर भी प्रदेश जैव विविधता की दृष्टि से समृद्ध है। दुनियाभर में जलवायु परिवर्तन की समस्या पर मंथन चल रहा है। ऐसे में भारतीय चिंतन और संस्कृति को आत्मसात कर समस्या का समाधान हो सकता है।

विशिष्ट अतिथि प्रदेश के प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक और विभागाध्यक्ष सुधीर कुमार शर्मा ने कहा कि जैव विविधता संरक्षण और संवर्धन समाज के हरेक वर्ग का दायित्व है। उत्तर प्रदेश

राज्य जैव विविधता बोर्ड के सचिव बी प्रभाकर ने कहा कि जैव विविधता के लिए साल 2050 का लक्ष्य तैयार है। इनमें 4 दीर्घकालिक उद्देश्यों का निर्धारण किया गया है। 8 अल्पकालीन लक्ष्य भी निर्धारित हैं। इसके साथ ही वर्ष 2030 तक 10 अल्पकालीन लक्ष्य निर्धारित किए गए हैं।

तकनीकी सत्र में सेवानिवृत्त प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक संजय सिंह ने कहा कि जैव विविधता क्षरण रोकने और जैव विविधता की पुनर्स्थापना में प्रकृति खुद सक्षम है। मनुष्य को प्रकृति चक्र में छेड़खानी से दूर रहना होगा। सेवानिवृत्त प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक एके रस्तोगी ने कहा कि

शून्य कार्बन उत्सर्जन का लक्ष्य पर्यावरण संरक्षण और जैव विविधता संरक्षण में अहम हो जाता है। सेवानिवृत्त प्रधान मुख्य संरक्षक मुदित सिंह ने कहा कि समाज को जलवायु परिवर्तन की दर कम से कम करने की जरूरत है। अनुश्रवण एवं कार्ययोजना के प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक सुनील चौधरी ने संरक्षण और कार्ययोजना की भूमिका व महत्व पर प्रकाश डाला।

इस दौरान प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक, वन्य जीव, उत्तर प्रदेश संजय श्रीवास्तव, इंडो अमेरिकन चैंबर ऑफ कॉमर्स लखनऊ चैप्टर के अध्यक्ष मुकेश सिंह, वन संरक्षक अनिल पटेल आदि मौजूद रहे। संवाद



जैव विविधता पर सेमिनार का उद्घाटन करते अधिकारी। संवाद

जैव विविधता हमारे हित में, निर्धारित करने होंगे नीतियां और दायित्व

जार्स, आगरा: विकास अपनी जगह और जैव विविधता क्षेत्र अपनी जगह। दोनों में से किसी को भी कमतर नहीं आंक सकते। लेकिन पारिस्थितिकी तंत्र के मूल्य पर विकास कभी नहीं हो सकता। विश्व के कई देशों में हुई इस मनमानी से यहां जैव विविधता संकट में है, जबकि भारत में पारिस्थितिकी तंत्र की विविधता जीवन मूल्यों, परंपरा व संस्कारों के कारण आज भी सुरक्षित है। नए वैटलैंड और वन्य क्षेत्र विकसित किए जा रहे हैं। आवश्यकता वन्य क्षेत्रों के नियमित सर्वे की है, जिससे वहां के सिर्फ नकारात्मक ही नहीं, सुखद बदलावों को भी जाना जा सके। यह संदेश अपर मुख्य सचिव पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन विभाग व अध्यक्ष उग्र राज्य जैव विविधता बोर्ड मनोज सिंह ने कही।

बुधवार को होटल मुगल में अंतरराष्ट्रीय जैव विविधता दिवस

● अंतरराष्ट्रीय जैव विविधता दिवस पर राष्ट्रीय संगोष्ठी

● अपर मुख्य सचिव पर्यावरण बोले, बेहतर हो रहे हालात

प्रतिगत भूमि व विश्व की जनसंख्या का छठवां भाग होने पर भी हमारे यहां 45 हजार से अधिक पादप व 91 हजार पशु प्रजाति पाई जाती हैं, जो विश्व का लगभग 7.8 प्रतिशत है। प्रदेश की 2932 पादप प्रजातियों व 2434 वन्य प्राणी प्रजातियां देश में पाई जाने वाली कुल प्रजातियों का 6.45 व 2.76 प्रतिशत है। आज पूरा विश्व जलवायु परिवर्तन की समस्या के निवारण के लिए चिंतित है। ऐसी स्थिति में भारतीय चिंतन व संस्कृति को अपनाकर ही वनों व वृक्षों का संरक्षण संभव है।

जैव विविधता को रक्षा हमारे हित में है इसलिए विभिन्न सम्मेलनों द्वारा समग्र लक्ष्य, नीतियां और दायित्व निर्धारित करना होगा। सिर्फ सरकारों के भरोसे बैठ कर यह अति महत्वपूर्ण कार्य संभव नहीं, निजी क्षेत्रों में चेतना जाग्रत कर व्यक्तिगत प्रयास अपनाने होंगे। आगरा के वन्य क्षेत्र, यमुना को दुर्दशा व कोयम के

क्षेत्रफल निर्धारण के लिए उन्हे स्पष्ट कुछ नहीं कहा, लेकिन मामले में जल्द ही कार्यवाई होने का आश्वासन दिया।

अपर प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक व उग्र राज्य जैव विविधता बोर्ड सचिव बी. प्रभाकर ने संगोष्ठी के उद्देश्यों की जानकारी दी कि जैव विविधता के संकटों को न्यून करने के लिए आठ अल्पकालीन लक्ष्य निर्धारित हैं। सेवानिवृत्त प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक संजय सिंह, एके रस्तोगी, केपी दुवे, मुदित सिंह ने अपने विचार रखे। प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक, अनुश्रवण एवं कार्ययोजना सुनील चौधरी ने पिछले लगभग 150 वर्षों से प्राकृतिक वनों में अवस्थित प्राकृतिक जैव विविधता संरक्षण की कार्ययोजना की भूमिका बताई। संगोष्ठी में उग्र राज्य जैव विविधता बोर्ड द्वारा तैयार ब्रोशर जैव विविधता विरासत स्थल (बोएचएस) का विमोचन भी किया गया।



अंतरराष्ट्रीय जैव विविधता दिवस

बुधवार को फतेहाबाद रोड स्थित होटल आइटसी मुगल में अंतरराष्ट्रीय जैव विविधता दिवस पर आयोजित राष्ट्रीय संगोष्ठी में पुरस्कृत का विमोचन करते मुख्य अतिथि (बाएं से तीसरे) अपर मुख्य सचिव पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मनोज सिंह। साथ ही सुनील चौधरी, वी. प्रभाकर व सुधीर कुमार शर्मा ● जागरण

पर उग्र राज्य जैव विविधता बोर्ड द्वारा आयोजित राष्ट्रीय संगोष्ठी में उन्होंने बताया कि हमारे पूर्वजों ने प्राणी कल्याण के लिए वन व वृक्षों को देव स्वरूप मानकर उनकी सुरक्षा, रोपण व सिंचन को धर्म, परंपरा, संस्कृति व दैनिक जीवन का अनिवार्य अंग बनाया। वन, वृक्ष, नदियों व वन्य प्राणियों को संरक्षित रखने की परंपरा से ही प्राकृतिक संसाधनों पर अत्यधिक जैविक दबाव होने पर भी प्रदेश जैव विविधता की दृष्टि से समृद्ध है। विश्व की तुलना में सिर्फ 2.4
