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1. The meeting of National Board of Wildlife was held on March 18, 2010 under the chairmanship of Prime Minister.
2. A Project Steering Committee Meeting for GOI-GEF UNDP Project on mainstreaming conservation and sustainable use of medicinal plants diversity in three Indian states and Steering Committee meeting of “Centre of Excellence on Medicinal Plants & Traditional Knowledge” was held on 05 March, 2010 in Bangalore.
3. 5th meeting of the Expert Group on conservation and sustainable utilization of natural resources was held on 29-30 March, 2010 in Annamalai University, Annamalainagar.
4. Expert-cum-Ministerial meeting of the Like-Minded Megadiverse Countries (LMMCs) was held in Brazil on 09-12 March, 2010.
5. 9th meeting of the Access and Benefit Sharing Working Group under the Convention on Biological Diversity was held in Cali, Colombia on 22-28 March, 2010.
6. Ministerial Meeting on Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Degradation in Developing Countries (REDD+) was held in Paris on 11 March, 2010.

7. The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs has approved Rs 1,156 crores World-Bank assisted Integrated Coastal Zone Management Project to be implemented over the next five years by the Ministry.
8. The 54th meeting of the Governing Body of the Wildlife Institute of India was held on March 30th, 2010.
9. 7th Convocation 2010 of the Indian Institute of Forest Management will be held on April 02, 2010.
10. The 16th meeting of the National Biodiversity Authority was held in Chennai on March 19, 2010. The non-official members of the newly constituted Authority are Shri Rai S. Rana, Shri K. M. Bujarbaruah, Dr. Uppeandra Dhar, Dr. S. Subramanian and Shri Darshan Shankar.
11. MoEF and NBA is organising National Consultations on Developing a National Regime on Access and Benefit Sharing, evolving a *sui generis* system for protection of Traditional Knowledge and necessity of amendments to Biological Diversity Act 2002 and Rules, if any on April 23th, 2010, at Chennai.

Transfers and postings

1. Dr. Harendra Kharkwal, Scientist 'C' will look after the work of RE Division
2. Dr. R B Lal, on being appointed as Scientist 'C' in the Ministry, will look after the work HSMD Division
3. Shri Motipalli Ramesh, on being appointed as Scientist 'C' in the Ministry, will look after the work of IA Division
4. Shri Aditya Narayan, on being appointed as Scientist 'C' in the Ministry, will look after the work IA Division

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