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## **MoEF News**

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1. Second joint meeting of Task Forces constituted for making recommendations for strengthening of BSI and ZSI was held at Jodhpur on the 11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> September, 2009. The third and final meeting will be held at New Delhi on October 07, 2009.
2. '4<sup>th</sup> Seoul Initiative Leadership Programme on Green Growth: Environmental Sustainability and Green Growth' was held in Incheon, Republic of Korea from 14<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>, September, 2009.
3. 'Tamarind Groves at Nallur village of Karnataka', the first Biodiversity Heritage Site under Section 37 of Biological Diversity Act, 2002, has been notified in Karnataka.
4. 53 posts under the Central Staffing Scheme of the Ministry of Environment and Forests for the Indian Forest Service located in various offices of the Ministry outside Delhi, have been upgraded.
5. The Sub-regional Capacity Building Workshop on Forest, Biodiversity and Climate Change for South and South-East Asia was held in Singapore City from 02<sup>nd</sup>-05<sup>th</sup> September, 2009.
6. CBD's Asia and Pacific Regional Workshop for Capacity Building on Protected Areas being hosted by India will be held on 12<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> October, 2009 at WII, Dehradun.
7. Meeting of Members Secretaries of State Biodiversity Boards was held at Kolkata on 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> September, 2009.
8. A High Level Conference and Exhibition on Climate Change: Technology Development and Transfer will be held on October 22<sup>nd</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> October, 2009 at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi.
9. Meeting of the National Committee on Mangroves and Coral Reefs was held on 29<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> September, 2009 in Vishakhapatnam.
10. A India-UNDP project for 'Strengthening Institutional Structures to Implement the Biological Diversity Act', has been launched in the State of Jharkhand on September, 15, 2009 by His Excellency, the Governor of Jharkhand.

11. 16<sup>th</sup> meeting of Governing Body of the Global Biodiversity Information Facility will be held in Copenhagen, Denmark from 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> October, 2009.
12. 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the ABS Expert Group of Like Minded Megadiverse Countries was held in Brasilia from 14<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> September, 2009.

## **Postings/ work allocation:**

- ✓ Dr. A K Malhotra, IFS (JHK: 77) has joined as Registrar General, Protection of Plant Varieties and Farmers Rights Authority, New Delhi.
- ✓ Shri N. Muruganandam, IAS (TN: 1991) approved for appointment as Director in the Ministry is likely to join his new assignment on October 01, 2009.
- ✓ Shri Lalit Kapur, Scientist F, has joined as Director, NRCD.
- ✓ Dr. Yogesh Sharma, Director (Scientific), has completed his deputation tenure on 12<sup>th</sup> September, 2009.
- ✓ Shri Pramod Krishnan, IFS (KR:97) Joint Director (WL), has been relieved from the Ministry in the AN of September 30, 2009 to take up a UNDP assignment in Delhi.

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