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NOTIFICATION

This is to inform, that the 13th JICA National Workshop 2024, will be held from 13th -15th November, 2024 at Taj Vivanta, Shillong.

All SPMU verticals, DPMs and BPMs are directed to attend the workshop on the above mentioned dates. Along with attending the workshop, each staff is expected to fulfill the tasks assigned to them.

The schedule for the 3 Day Workshop is attached in Annexure A.


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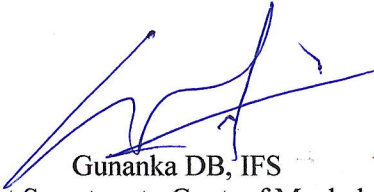
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PROGRAM SCHEDULE
JiCA FORESTRY WORKSHOP 2024

Venue: **Taj Vivanta, Shillong**
 Date: **13th – 15th November, 2024**

Day 1
13th November, 2024

Time	Program
9:00 am – 10:00 am	Registration and Tea
Inaugural Session	
10:00 am – 10:05 am	Felicitations of guests
10:05 am – 10:15 am	Welcome Address by Dr. Vijay Kumar D., Commissioner and Secretary, and Project Director, MegLIFE
10:15 am – 10:20 am	Video on MegLIFE
10:20 am – 10:30 am	Address by Eiji Wakamatsu, Senior Representative, JiCA
10:30 am – 10:40 am	Address by Shri. D.P. Wahlang, Chief Secretary of Meghalaya
10:40 am - 10:55 am	Address by the Hon'ble Governor of Meghalaya, Shri. C.H. Vijayashankar
10:55 am – 11:00 am	Vote of thanks by Shri. Gunanka D.B., Additional Project Director, MegLIFE
Group Photograph	
Coffee Break	
11:10 am – 12:00 am	Opening Presentation by Vineet Sarin, Chief of Development Operations, JiCA India
12:00 am – 1:00 pm	Presentation by Gunanka D.B. IFS, Additional Project Director, MegLIFE
Lunch	
Technical Session 1 Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation	
Theme 1 - Holistic Approach and innovations for ensuring source sustainability	
2:00 pm – 2:40 pm	Panelists: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Abhishek Likam, Chirag Holistic approach to Springshed Management Punjab Forest Department Issues and challenges in wetland management for climate change adaptation
Theme 2 - Unlocking private lands for forestry	
2:45 pm – 3:25 pm	Panelists: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> BCG Consulting Identification and action of creating carbon sinks and linkage with carbon markets. Tamil Nadu Forest Department Relevance and importance of trees plantation outside forest areas- Agroforestry, Peri urban and Urban forestry

Theme 3 - Where Forest meets Concrete - Addressing Man-Animal conflict	
3:30 pm – 4:10 pm	<p>Panellists:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Aaranayak Addressing man-elephant conflict 2. Forest Department, Government of West Bengal Holistic approaches towards human- wildlife conflict mitigation
Technical Session 2 Transformative Technology	
Theme 1 - Unleashing the power of Digital Technology for strengthening project implementation	
4:15 pm – 4:55 pm	<p>Panellists:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Subrata Singh, FES/Arghyam The role of technology in enabling action at scale 2. Uttarakhand Forest department Mitigation of natural disasters through innovative technologies
Theme 2 - Artificial Intelligence and other emerging technologies – potential for the natural resource management sector	
5:00 pm – 5:40 pm	<p>Panellists:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sanjay Srivastava, Retired IFS Utilization of Artificial Intelligence in sustainable forest management, wildlife management ad challenges and opportunities 2. R.K. Srivastava, Retired IFS, IORA Ecological Solutions Disruptive technologies for addressing new world challenges in an era of global climate change 3. G.J. Kulkarni, Humanitics

Dinner and Cultural programme at Taj Vivanta from 7:00 pm onwards

9:00 am – 10:00 am	Registration and High Tea
Technical Session 3 Community Approach for Sustainability	
Theme 1 - Leveraging on community institutions to drive climate change actions	
10:00 am – 10:55 am	<p>Panellists:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Nagaland Forest Department Mitigating Impacts of Jhum cultivation for sustainable forest management Rajasthan Forest Department Agroforestry to check desertification
Theme 2 - Innovative models for sustainable income generation amongst climate vulnerable rural groups	
11:00 am – 11:40 am	<p>Panellists:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Odisha Forest Department Strengthening communities or forest management, conservation and socio-economic development through sustainable approaches Himachal Pradesh Forest Department Special Livelihood Initiatives under the project
Theme 3 - Forestry and the green economies of the future	
11:40 am – 12 :20 pm	<p>Panellists:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Mitsubishi/Terviva Private sector engagement for sustainable forest management Representative of JiCA Kenya Project for strengthening forestry sector development and community resilience to climate change through sustainable forest management and landscape restoration
12:20 pm – 1:00 pm	Preparation for group discussions
Lunch	
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Group Discussion
Valedictory Session Chief Guest: Shri. Conrad Sangma Hon'ble Chief Minister of Meghalaya	
3:30 pm – 3:35 pm	Welcome address by Dr. D. Vijay Kumar, Project Director, MegLIFE
3:35 pm – 3:45 pm	Highlight of outcomes of the workshop by Shri. Vineet Sarin, Chief of Development Operations, JiCA India
3:45 pm – 4:00 pm	Address by the Chief Guest, Shri. Conrad Sangma, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Meghalaya
4:00 pm – 4:05 pm	Vote of thanks by Wankit K. Swer, Deputy Project Director, MegLIFE

Day 3
15th November, 2024

Field Visit	
7:30 am – 8:30 am	Registration and breakfast
8:30 am – 10:00 am	Departure from hotel and arrival at village
10:00 am – 11:15 am	Visit to intervention sites - PES, Spring management, Garden of Caves
11:15 am – 11:30 am	Travel from village to Sohra (Cherrapunji)
11:30 am – 1:00 pm	Local immersion and sight seeing at Sohra (Cherrapunji)
1:00 pm – 2:00 pm	Lunch
2:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Return to Shillong