

COP MOP 6 and Opening of COP 11 Press Articles

INTERNATIONAL MEDIAS

Plant science body offers practical guide to aid govts on Nagoya SP

Business Standard (India),

It represents a network of regional, national associations in 91 countries, is led by companies such as BASF, Bayer CropScience, Dow AgroSciences

More: <http://business-standard.com/india/news/plant-science-body-offers-practical-guide-to-aid-govtsnagoya-sp/190754/on>

UN meet on biosafety ends on promise to advance work on LMOs

Business Standard (India),

The UN meeting on biosafety held here has ended with an agreement to advance work on the issue of socio-economic considerations regarding living modified organisms (LMOs).

More: <http://www.business-standard.com/generalnews/news/un-meetbiosafety-endspromise-to-advance-worklmos/65663/>

Biotech industry blamed for 'sabotaging' COP MOP 6 talks

Business Line, The Coalition for GM Free India has alleged that the Convention on Biological Diversity (COP MOP6) has exposed the global biotech industry's attempts to sabotage the Nagoya-Kaula Lumpur Supplementary Protocol.

More: http://www.thehindubusinessline.com/industry-and-economy/economy/article3975034.ece?homepage=true&ref=wl_home

'Proper risk assessment a must for adopting safe biotech'

Times of India, As director, Centre for Integrated Research in Bio-safety, University of Canterbury (New Zealand), Jack A Heinemann, along with his team, has been tirelessly working for years to contribute to an increased understanding and more effective management of emerging biotechnologies.

More: http://articles.timesofindia.indiatimes.com/2012-10-06/hyderabad/34292934_1_bio-safety-cartagena-protocol-biotechnologies

Cabinet nod to biosafety protocol ratification

The Asian age, The Cabinet has given the green signal of the signing of the Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit Sharing (ABS) arising from the fair and equitable utilisation of genetic resources and traditional knowledge.

More: <http://www.asianage.com/india/cabinet-nod-biosafety-protocol-ratification-501>

Bio-safety first trade model urged for India

Times of India, India could be celebrating its role as the CoP-11 host and basking in glory for now holding the chair of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) for the next two years but environmentalists in the country find little to rejoice at this 'achievement' and say that they see no point in India even participating in the meet.

More: http://articles.timesofindia.indiatimes.com/2012-10-05/hyderabad/34279157_1_bio-safety-international-trade-stockholm-convention

COP 11 OPENING Articles

INTERNATIONAL MEDIAS:

Biodiversity meeting begins with funding plea

Agence France-Presse

A major UN meeting designed to safeguard the world's natural resources began Monday with appeals to ensure that biodiversity does not become a victim of the global financial crisis.

http://www.google.com/hostednews/afp/article/ALeqM5gPFMNQ9v45N1UgdjTEo_c8oy7rIg?docId=CNG.31ecea4e3f7b435528a370e555d19d1b.1d1

UN Meet To Focus On Planet's Biodiversity – Analysis

EurAsia Review,

What is in store for the natural world? Are governments implementing their commitments on preserving biodiversity? These and related issues are on the agenda of the UN biodiversity summit in the Indian city of Hyderabad.

More: <http://www.eurasiareview.com/07102012-un-meet-to-focus-on-planets-biodiversity-analysis/>

India: Less Words, More Action Called For at Biodiversity Conference

Prensa Latina (Cuba)

New Delhi, Oct 9 (Prensa Latina) The eleventh Conference of the Parties of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) restarts on Tuesday in the Indian city of Hyderabad under the call from Indian civil society to turn rhetoric into action.

More: http://www.plenglish.com/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=597301&Itemid=1

World biodiversity conference opens in India

Deutsche Welle,

An international conference on biodiversity opened in Hyderabad, India on Monday. Delegates are discussing solutions to the epidemic of extinctions threatening to wipe out the planet's rarest plants and animals.

More: <http://www.dw.de/world-biodiversity-conference-opens-in-india/a-16292015-1>

UN biodiversity summit: Developing nations to demand more cash to protect nature

China Dialogue,

The UN biodiversity summit opens this week with host India seeking more money to protect wildlife and improve livelihoods of those dependent on forests.

More: <http://www.chinadialogue.net/books/5200/en>

Countries 'failing to act' on Nagoya biodiversity promises

Guardian (UK),

Only 14 of 193 nations have acted on a landmark deal to protect endangered species and habitats, WWF warns

More: <http://www.guardian.co.uk/environment/2012/oct/08/nagoya-biodiversity?newsfeed=true>

NATIONAL MEDIAS (India)

Civil society seeks steps to implement biodiversity convention

IANS,

The Convention of Biological Diversity (CBD) Alliance, comprising civil society, NGOs and grassroots environmental groups, Monday called upon the countries attending the UN global biodiversity meet here to go beyond talks and act on what has already been agreed upon.

http://twocircles.net/2012oct08/civil_society_seeks_steps_implement_biodiversity_convention.html

Conference of Parties-11 aims to avoid a repeat of 2010

Times of India,

HYDERABAD: The primary objective of the 11th edition of the Conference of Parties (CoP-11) on biological diversity is to avoid a repeat of 2010, said Jayanthi Natarajan, Union minister of environment and forests (MoEF) while inaugurating the plenary session on Day 1 of the international convention, currently underway in Hyderabad.

More: http://articles.timesofindia.indiatimes.com/2012-10-09/hyderabad/34342150_1_biological-diversity-act-biodiversity-nagoya-protocol

Eleventh meeting on biological diversity to begin tomorrow

Business Standard (India),

The eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP 11) to the Convention on Biological Diversity, which begins here tomorrow, will discuss the next steps in support of implementation of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020, agreed at COP 10 in Nagoya, Japan.

More: <http://www.business-standard.com/generalnews/news/eleventh-meetingbiological-diversity-to-begin-tomorrow/65577/>

COP-11 calls for ecosystem restoration

Deccan Herald,

Mobilization of funds to overcome financial crisis in implementation of the Aichi Biodiversity targets by 2020 will be the main topic of discussion at the Conference of Parties -11 (COP-11), which was inaugurated here on Monday.

More: <http://www.deccanherald.com/content/283592/cop-11-calls-ecosystem-restoration.html>

Call for restoration of ecosystem to get Hyd tag

Business Standard (India),

The Conference of Parties (COP 11) to the global Biodiversity Convention (CBD) starting here Monday would make the name of its host city a part of yet another call for restoration of natural ecosystem.

More: <http://www.business-standard.com/india/news/call-for-restorationecosystem-to-get-hyd-tag/488839/>

Biodiversity meet kicks off in AP

Deccan Chronicle, The world's largest gathering ever on biodiversity began here on Monday with experts and policy makers from 170 countries trying to work out the Hyderabad roadmap to achieve the biological diversity and safety targets set in the last two decades.

More: <http://www.deccanchronicle.com/channels/nation/south/biodiversity-meet-kicks-ap-572>

Conference of Parties-11: 'Time for India to lead from front'

Times of India, The dismal performance of nations in meeting targets set at the previous Conference of Parties (CoP-10), in Japan's Nagoya, remains an area of concern where much ground is left to be covered even as the Conference of Parties (CoP-11) to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) got underway on Monday at the Hyderabad International Conventional Centre (HICC).

More: http://articles.timesofindia.indiatimes.com/2012-10-09/hyderabad/34341980_1_biodiversity-conservation-rich-countries-tiger-conservation

Biodiversity meet generates 9.2 tonnes trash

The Hindu, Biodiversity is all about the variety of life on earth and how to protect it. But the ongoing global summit on this important subject has generated a variety of trash.

More: <http://www.thehindu.com/news/cities/Hyderabad/biodiversity-meet-generates-92-tonnes-trash/article3976817.ece?homepage=true>

India moots Hyderabad roadmap as CoP begins biodiversity talks

IBN India,

Over 5,000 delegates from around 170 countries gathered at the Hyderabad International Convention Centre (HICC) on Monday to discuss the implementation of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020, the status of biodiversity in world's oceans and reaching the Aichi targets among others.

More: <http://ibnlive.in.com/news/india-moots-hyderabad-roadmap-as-cop-begins-biodiversity-talks/299193-60-121.html>

Cabinet approves ratification of Nagoya Protocol

Business Standard (India), The Union Cabinet today approved the ratification of the Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit Sharing (ABS) by India. The Cabinet's decision came as the eleventh Conference of Parties (CoP) to the Convention on Biodiversity (CBD) is underway in Hyderabad.

More: <http://www.business-standard.com/generalnews/news/cabinet-approves-ratificationnagoya-protocol/64521/>

Govt mining policy destroying India's rich biodiversity: NGO

Times of India,

The government's mining policy is destroying the country's biodiversity and tiger habitats, an NGO on Sunday claimed and sought a relook into the 'massive' expansion plan of coal fields in forest areas.

More: http://articles.timesofindia.indiatimes.com/2012-10-07/flora-fauna/34305480_1_biodiversity-cop-11-coal-fields

Hyderabad: UN meet to discuss biodiversity strategy begins

IBN News,

The UN biodiversity meeting that began here on Monday would discuss the implementation of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-20, its 20 Aichi Biodiversity Targets and the status of biodiversity in world's oceans among others.

<http://m.ibnlive.com/news/hyderabad-un-meet-to-discuss-biodiversity-strategy-begins/299051-62.html>

Activists demand action on fading coastal biodiversity at (COP) 11 in Hyderabad

Times of India,

Activists at the ongoing Convention of Biological Diversity (CBD), Conference of the Parties (COP) 11 at Hyderabad on Tuesday drew governments' attention to the massive transformation taking place in the east and west coast of India.

More: http://articles.timesofindia.indiatimes.com/2012-10-09/developmental-issues/34342140_1_thermal-power-power-plants-coastal-corridor

Biodiversity Convention Discusses Resource Mobilisation

Outlook India, Expenditure on conserving biodiversity should be looked as an investment for the future and the present global economic crisis should not discourage countries from putting in funds, Minister of State Environment and Forest Jayanthi Natarajan said here today.

More: <http://news.outlookindia.com/items.aspx?artid=777640>

'Treat biodiversity expenses as investment'

Daily News & Analysis (Mumbai),

Even as about 170 countries are keen on taking the biodiversity agenda forward, resource mobilisation is emerging a key area. The United Nations eleventh meeting of the Conference of the parties (COP-11) to the Convention of Biological Diversity (CBD) in Hyderabad is likely to focus on resource allocation by each of the nations in addition to the target setting in taking the biodiversity agenda forward.

More: http://www.dnaindia.com/india/report_treat-biodiversity-expenses-as-investment_1750403

COP-11 calls for funds to achieve targets

The Hindu,

Ecosystem restoration and relationship between biodiversity and climate change to be discussed The difficult task of mobilising financial resources for achieving biodiversity targets expeditiously became the running theme at the 11th meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP-11) to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), represented by over 170 countries, which began here on Monday.

More: <http://www.thehindu.com/sci-tech/energy-and-environment/cop11-calls-for-funds-to-achieve-targets/article3979210.ece>

Need to preserve our biodiversity

Deccan Herald,

Industrial agriculture and livestock breeding are the major factors for destruction of biodiversity. India is hosting the 11th Conference of the parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) in Hyderabad to discuss various issues related to conserving the bio resources of the world. As the representatives from different parts of developed and developing world discuss the ways to implement the biodiversity protocol, it is essential to review the rhetoric and the realities of biodiversity conservation.

More: <http://www.deccanherald.com/content/284244/need-preserve-our-biodiversity.html>

Global biodiversity meet calls for committing resources

Economic Times (India),

HYDERABAD: The United Nations' biodiversity meet here Monday called for committing more resources to achieve targets by 2020, while saying that the developed countries need to shoulder greater responsibility to make this possible.

More: http://articles.timesofindia.indiatimes.com/2012-10-08/developmental-issues/34322200_1_biodiversity-braulio-ferreira-biological-diversity