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**Minutes of Fourth Meeting of “Core Academic Committee on REDD- plus
in relation to global warming and climate change”**

1. The meeting was held on 27th January, 2015 in the Board Room of IGNFA, Dehradun under the chairmanship of Sh. Vinod Kumar, Director IGNFA.

Following officers also attended the meeting:

- i) Dr. Jagdish Kishwan, Chief Adviser Policy and Program Implementation, Wildlife Trust of India, as a Special Invitee.
- ii) Dr. Alok Saxena, Additional Director and Chairman, Core Academic Committee of REDD- plus Cell.
- iii) Dr. Mohit Gera, Professor and Member Secretary, REDD- plus Cell.
- iv) Sh. Deepak Mishra, Associate Professor, IGNFA.
- v) Sh. V.R.S. Rawat, Scientist ‘E’, Climate Change Division. ICFRE.
- vi) Sh. Prakash Lakhchaura, Deputy Director (FI), FSI.
- vii) Sh. Saurabh Kumar, Academic Associate, REDD- plus Cell, IGNFA.
- viii) Ms. Sadhana Yadav, Academic Associate, REDD- plus Cell, IGNFA.
- ix) Ms. Shalini Maurya, GIS Consultant, Geomatics Lab, IGNFA.

2. The meeting began with a warm welcome to the Chair, Special Invitee and Core Academic Committee members by Dr. Mohit Gera, which was followed by opening remarks of Sh. Vinod Kumar, Director, IGNFA. This was followed by the presentation made by Dr. Jagdish Kishwan on the outcome of COP 20 held in Lima, Peru with special reference to REDD- plus.

3. Dr. Jagdish Kishwan updated the Committee on progress made towards implementation of REDD- plus at global level including the outcome of COP 20 of UNFCCC held in Lima in December 2014. He highlighted the need of INDC (Intended Nationally Determined Contributions) to be submitted by the parties so that UNFCCC Secretariat can prepare a synthesis report by 1st October 2015. He also highlighted that agroforestry and silvopastoral activities to be included as additional activities in CDM and adaptation should also be included in INDC. He updated the Committee about the GCF (Green Climate Fund) as a financial mechanism.

4. Dr. Mohit Gera apprised the Committee on the progress made by the REDD- plus Cell in pursuance to the decisions of Third Apex Academic Committee and presented the same as per the circulated agenda.

5. After due deliberations on further progress to be made, the Committee decided the following:

