

INDIRA GANDHI NATIONAL FOREST ACADEMY
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Minutes of Second Meeting of “Apex Academic Committee on REDD-plus in relation to global warming and climate change”

The meeting was held on 29th August 2013 in meeting room of IGNFA, Dehradun under chairmanship of Dr. Jagdish Kishwan, Chief Adviser Policy and Program Implementation, Wildlife Trust of India. Following officers also attended the meeting:

1. Mr. R.K. Goel, Director, IGNFA, and Director WII
2. Dr. Alok Saxena, Additional Director, IGNFA
3. Dr. G.S. Goraya, DDG (Research), ICFRE
4. Dr. J.V. Sharma, Senior Fellow, TERI
5. Dr. Ruchi Badola (Scientist G), Eco-development Planning & Participatory Management, WII
6. Dr. Mohit Gera, Additional Professor, IGNFA
7. Dr. Hiten Padalia, Scientist D, IIRS, Dehradun
8. Dr. Kirti Joshi, Scientist, UCOST, Dehradun

2. The meeting began with a warm welcome to the Committee members by Dr. Alok Saxena, which was followed by opening remarks of Mr. R.K. Goel, who appreciated the tasks accomplished by the Core Committee on printing of two-page brochure on REDD-plus, writing of the comprehensive note on REDD-plus highlighting its evaluation and development; issues and challenges of implementing REDD-plus; and India's stand on REDD-plus. He also informed the Committee on other achievements of the Core Committee on development of a module and reading material for capacity building of IFS (P).

3. Dr. Jagdish Kishwan updated, the Committee on progress made towards implementation of REDD-plus at global level including present status of UNFCCC negotiations on the subject. He highlighted the achievements made during the 38th Meeting of SBSTA on Methodological and Technological procedures held in Bonn, Germany in June 2013. He also highlighted almost the negligible progress made on achieving ways and means for financing REDD-plus, and also the decisions on National Forest Monitoring System, frequency of submission of information on safeguards, drivers of RED and forest degradation, MRV and Non Carbon Benefits.

4. Dr. Mohit Gera, apprised the Committee on the progress made by the Core Committee on decisions of First Apex Committee Meeting on printing of Introductory note on REDD-plus, drafting of the comprehensive note on REDD-plus synthesizing the existing information available on REDD-plus, modules and

