



Seminar on
ECOLOGICAL TRADITIONS OF SIKKIM
 Organized by
SIKKIM EIACP PC HUB - "Status of Environment and its Related Issues"
Forest and Environment Department, Government of Sikkim
 and
CPREEC EIACP PC RP, Chennai - "Conservation of Ecological Heritage and Sacred Sites of India"
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PROGRAMME SCHEDULE (Tentative)

Inaugural Session: MC – Shri Rajen Pradhan, Sr. Programme Officer

Time	Programme
10:00 AM	Arrival and Registration of Participants
10:20 AM	Arrival of Resource Persons and Senior Officers of F&ED, GoS
10:30 AM	Arrival of the Chief Guest, Hon'ble Minister Forests Shri Karma Loday Bhutia
10:30 - 10:35 AM	Welcome Address by Shri B. B. Gurung IFS, Director, Sikkim ENVIS Hub
10:35 - 10:40 AM	Key Note Address by Dr. P. Sudhakar, Director, CPREEC ENVIS RP
10:40 - 10:50 AM	Inaugural Address by Dr. Pradeep Kumar IFS, Secretary, F&ED
10:50 - 11:10 AM	Blessings by the Chief Guest
11:10 - 11:15 AM	Vote of Thanks by Smt. Kusum Gurung, Joint Director (ENVIS)
	Group Photo

Tea Break: 11.15 AM– 11.30 AM

Technical Session: MC – Ms Sunita Khatiwara, Project Officer

11:30 - 11:40 AM	Presentation by Dr. Ghanashyam Bastola , Programme Manager and Head, TMI on "Ecological Traditions of Sikkim" focusing on traditional water harvesting systems, sacred groves, tree and nature worship, agroforestry and related indigenous traditional knowledge.
5 mins	Q&A
11:45 - 12:05 PM	Presentation by Shri. Hissey Lachungpa , Chairman, Lachung BMC on "Dzumsa System and its associated ecological traditions"
5 mins	Q&A
12:10 - 12:30 PM	Presentation by Shri Ugen Palzor , Chairman, Hee-Gyathang BMC on "Lepcha's traditional environment and sustainable practices"
5 mins	Q&A
12:35 - 1:00 PM	LUNCH
1:00 - 1:20 PM	Screening of short film on Sacred Groves – <i>Vanadevatai / Goddess of Forest</i>
1:20 - 1:40 PM	Presentation by Dr. Sonam Rinchen , SDM, Dzongu on "Traditional Healing Practices"
5 mins	Q&A
1:45 - 2:05 PM	Presentation by Dr. Bharat Kumar Pradhan , Scientific Associate, SBB on "Sikkim's Sustainable Environment Practices"
5 mins	Q&A
2:10 - 2:30 PM	Presentation by Dr. P. Sudhakar , Director, CPREEC ENVIS RP on "Conservation of Ecological Heritage and Sacred Sites of India"
5 mins	Q&A
2.30 – 3.00 PM	Open House Discussion moderated by MC Summarization and Way Forward by CPREEC ENVIS RP Vote of Thanks by Sikkim ENVIS Hub
	High Tea