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**CONSULTATION ON THE ECOTOURISM
POLICY FOR KARNATAKA**

25th February, 2017

Indian Institute of Management Bangalore
Lecture Theatre N001: Bannerghatta Road, Bangalore

Registration: 08.30 to 09.30

Inaugural Session: 09.30 to 11.30

Welcome:

Mr. Manoj Chakravarti, COO, IIMB, CCGC

Ms. Freeda M, Founder Director, Dharthi

Opening Remarks:

Prof. P D Jose, Center for Corporate Governance and Citizenship, IIMB

Conclave Objectives:

Dr. M H Swaminath IFS (Retd.)

Former Secretary, Government of Karnataka; Department of Forest, Ecology and Environment; Member of Karnataka Biodiversity Board

Ecotourism Policy, the Board's Perspective:

Mr. Vinay Luthra, IFS (Retd.), Former PCCF (HoFF)

Chairman, Karnataka Ecotourism Development Board (KEDB)

Chief Guest:

Mr. B J Hosmath, IFS, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests – Wildlife; Chief Wildlife Warden, Karnataka Forest Department

Guests of Honour:

Dr. Dilip Kumar P J, IFS (Retd.)

Former DG, Forests and Special Secretary,
Ministry of Environment & Forests, Government of India

Mr. Jose Dominic, MD and CEO, CGH Earth, Kerala

Keynote Address:

Dr. A K Bhattacharya, IFS (Retd.)

Former CEO, Madhya Pradesh Ecotourism Development Board (MPEDB)
Mission Director, National Green Highways Mission,
NHAI, Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (MoRTH),
Government of India

Tea Break: 11.30 to 12.00



Session 1 12.00 to 13.15

“Sustainability Factors and Policy issues of Ecotourism”

Chairman: **Dr. Dilip Kumar P J**, IFS (Retd.)

Former DG, Forests and Special Secretary, MoEF, Government of India.

1. **Mr. C B Ram Kumar**, MD, Our Native Village, Bangalore
2. **Mr. Vijay Mohan Raj**, CCF, Bellagavi and Additional CEO, Karnataka Ecotourism Development Board (KEDB)

Lunch: 13.15 to 14.00

Session 2 14.00 to 15.15

“Ecotourism growth, challenges & opportunities and stakeholder experiences”

Chairman: **Mr. B J Hosmath**, IFS

PCCF (Wildlife) and Chief Wildlife Warden, Karnataka Forest Department, Government of Karnataka

1. **Mr. Vijay Sharma**, IFS, MD, Jungle Lodges and Resorts, Government of Karnataka.
2. **Mr. Arjun Kapoor**, MD, Water Woods Resort, Kabini (KETRA) Karnataka Ecotourism and Resorts Association (Regd.)
3. **Mr. Narasimha Hegde**, Kali Pravasodhyama Samsthe (Kali Tourism Association)

Tea Break 15.15 to 15.45

Panel Discussion 15.45 to 17.15

“Stakeholder Dynamics and views”

Chairman: **Dr. M H Swaminath** IFS (retd)

1. Mr. Manoj Kumar, IFS, CCF, Kodagu
2. Mr. Gerry Martin, Founder Director, TGMP
3. Mr. M D Ramaswami, Member of Board, Celtycs.
4. Mr. Sarath Champati , Naturalist and Lead Trainer, KEDB.
5. Mr. Ramki Sreenivasan, Wildlife Photographer and Co-founder, Conservation India.
6. Mr. Joseph Hoover, Senior Reporter, Freelancing.

Summing up “Ecotourism, the way forward” Dharthi 17.15 to 17.25





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