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National Level Webinar on "Biodiversity and Conservation" organized

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The ICAR-Indian Institute of Soil and Water Conservation, Dehradun, Uttarakhand in association with the Central University of Odisha, Koraput, Odisha jointly organized a *National Level Webinar* on "Biodiversity and Conservation" on the occasion of the *International Day for Biodiversity* today.



Dr. M. Madhu Director, ICAR-IISWC, Dehradun deliberated on the association of soil erosion, biodiversity status and the soil resilience & conservation needs. The Director highlighted the Institute's contributions towards biodiversity and resource conservation.

Prof. S.K. Palita, Dean, School of Biodiversity & Conservation of Natural Resources, Central University of Odisha, Koraput, Odisha urged for categorical management of bio-resources in the interest of ecosystems and livelihoods of millions of people.



Dr. Ashok Emani, Principal, ESG, National Investment and Infrastructure FUND (NIIF), New Delhi underlined the significance of the various ecosystems services of biodiversity that gives various goods and services like provisional (food, fibre, water), supporting (soil formation, nutrient / gas cycling), cultural (tourism, ethnic values) and regulating (climate, air quality).

The increasing loss of biodiversity and needs of conservation through 3 A's (Attitude, Action and Awareness) were stressed in the Webinar.

The programme registered participation by over 100 participants.

(Source: ICAR-Indian Institute of Soil and Water Conservation, Dehradun, Uttarakhand)