

Commemoration of the International Day for Biological Diversity



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**BIODIVERSITY
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Third National Report to the Convention on Biological Diversity 2nd National Review Workshop

16th May 2008

Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources

Agenda

The objectives of the workshop

1. Commemorate the International Day for Biological Diversity and the Official Launching of the National Agrobiodiversity Action Plan of Sri Lanka
2. Review information for the finalization of the National Biodiversity Indicators and the Widely Accessible Working list of known plant Species in Sri Lanka of the 3rd national report.

09.00 – 09.30 am. – Registration

A. Commemorate the International Day for Biological Diversity (Chairperson-Secretary, MENR)

1. Welcome Address– Secretary, MENR (10 min.).
2. Key Note Address - International Day for Biological Diversity: Biodiversity and Agriculture
Prof. Buddhi Marambe, Dean, Faculty of Agriculture, University of Peradeniya (20 min)
3. Introduction of the National Action Plan on Agricultural Biodiversity
Dr NKG Pushpakumara, University of Peradeniya (15 min)
4. Speech by Hon. Patali Champika Ranawaka, M.P. Minister of Environment and Natural Resources followed by launching of the National Action Plan on Agricultural Biodiversity
5. Vote of Thanks – Additional Secretary, MENR

10.45 - 11.15 am. –TEA

B. Technical session: Review of the specific assignment of the 3rd National Report to the CBD (Chairperson - Dr B M S Batagoda, Director General, Ministry of Finance)

6. Introduction and Review of the the Widely Accessible Working list of known plant species in Sri Lanka
Dr. D S A Wijesundara, Director National Botanic Gardens (30 min.)
7. Introduction and Review of the National Biodiversity Indicators to implement the 2010 Biodiversity Target
Dr Channa Bambaradeniya, Coordinator, Asia Regional Biodiversity Programme, IUCN. (60 min.).

12.45 -02.00 pm.- LUNCH/End of the Workshop