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INTRODUCTION

1. The Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) has been undertaking work on the issue of biodiversity and poverty eradication and development since 2008, with the generous funding of the Governments of Germany, Japan and France, and the support of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). At its tenth meeting, in Nagoya (Japan) in 2010, the Conference of the Parties recognized the urgent need to improve capacity for mainstreaming the three objectives of the Convention into poverty eradication strategies and plans and development processes as a means to enhance the implementation of the Convention and the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and their contribution to sustainable development and well-being (decision X/6).

2. The linkages between biodiversity and poverty eradication are at the heart of the vision of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 (annex to decision X/2), “Living in harmony with nature”, where “By 2050, biodiversity is valued, conserved, restored and wisely used, maintaining ecosystem services, sustaining a healthy planet and delivering benefits essential for all people.” The Strategic Plan notes that “Biological diversity underpins ecosystem functioning and the provision of ecosystem services essential for human well-being. It provides for food security, human health, the provision of clean air and water; it contributes to local livelihoods, and economic development, and is essential for the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals, including poverty reduction.” The mission of the Strategic Plan is to “take effective and urgent action to halt the loss of biodiversity in order to ensure that by 2020 ecosystems are resilient and continue to provide essential services, thereby securing the planet’s variety of life, and contributing to human well-being, and poverty eradication (...).”¹

¹ <http://www.cbd.int/doc/strategic-plan/2011-2020/Aichi-Targets-EN.pdf>.

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3. In decision X/6, the Conference of the Parties decided to establish an Expert Group on Biodiversity for Poverty Eradication and Development mandated to further elucidate the linkages between the three objectives of the Convention and poverty eradication, and to identify the most effective approach toward a framework on capacity-development for mainstreaming biodiversity and ecosystems services for sustainable development and poverty eradication. Pursuant to decision X/6, an Expert Group was established, activities organized, and partnerships established in order to facilitate the integration of biodiversity into poverty eradication and development processes.

4. The Expert Group met for the first time in Dehradun, India, from 12 to 14 December 2011. Its report,² which included the “Dehradun Recommendations”, was submitted to the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Review of Implementation of the Convention at its fourth meeting (WGRI-4) in May 2012 in Montreal for consideration by the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP 11), held in Hyderabad, India, in October 2012. Through its report to WGRI-4, the Expert Group proposed ways and means of mainstreaming biodiversity and ecosystem services into poverty eradication and development processes, specifically to achieve Targets 2³ and 14⁴ of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020.

5. WGRI-4 welcomed the information contained in the proceedings of this first meeting of the Expert Group, including the analysis of the root causes of, and interlinkages between, biodiversity loss and poverty.⁵ WGRI-4 also requested the Executive Secretary to invite Parties to express their views regarding the Dehradun Recommendations prepared by the Expert Group at the meeting in Dehradun, India, taking into consideration the discussions during WGRI-4 and the Rio+20 outcomes, and to submit a synthesis for consideration by the eleventh meeting of the Conference of Parties. WGRI-4 further recommended that at COP 11, Parties adopt a decision, *inter alia*, that the Expert Group continue its work ([WGRI-4 recommendation 4/4](#)).

6. In light of the WGRI-4 recommendation, COP 11 was invited to consider the Dehradun Recommendations that had been revised⁶ based on submissions received from Parties⁷ during and after WGRI-4 taking into account the outcomes of Rio+20.

7. In consultation with the Expert Group, the Executive Secretary also produced information documents containing suggested terms of references (ToR)⁸ for the Expert Group to continue its work in the context of the implementation of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and the 20 Aichi Targets, as well as a draft report towards the development of poverty-biodiversity indicators.⁹

8. In paragraph 4 of decision XI/22 dealing with biodiversity for poverty eradication and development, COP 11 decided that the Expert Group on Biodiversity for Poverty Eradication and Development should continue its work, in accordance with the terms of reference annexed to the decision, and subject to the availability of funding, and submit a report, in collaboration with the Secretariat of the Convention, to the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Review of Implementation at its fifth meeting

² [UNEP/CBD/WG-RI/4/5](#).

³ Target 2: By 2020, at the latest, biodiversity values have been integrated into national and local development and poverty reduction strategies and planning processes and are being incorporated into national accounting, as appropriate, and reporting systems (decision X/2, The Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020, annex).

⁴ Target 14: By 2020, ecosystems that provide essential services, including services related to water, and contribute to health, livelihoods and well-being, are restored and safeguarded, taking into account the needs of women, indigenous and local communities, and the poor and vulnerable (decision X/2, The Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020, annex).

⁵ UNEP/CBD/WG-RI/4/INF/11.

⁶ [UNEP/CBD/COP/11/33/Rev.1](#), annex.

⁷ Compilation of comments on the Dehradun Recommendations: [UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/4](#).

⁸ UNEP/CBD/COP/11/33/Add.1.

⁹ Development of Poverty-Biodiversity Indicators and their eventual application: [UNEP/CBD/COP/11/INF/40](#).

(WGRI-5) for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its twelfth meeting (COP 12). The report is to include a review of experiences in integrating biodiversity and poverty eradication, reflections on the root causes and drivers of biodiversity loss and poverty eradication, and linkages to other relevant policies, with a view to moving towards a road map for integrating biodiversity into the social and economic dimensions of sustainable development, taking into account the outcomes of the Rio+20 Conference, in the context of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and the Aichi Biodiversity Targets. Decision XI/22 also states that issues relating to the links between biodiversity and human well-being, livelihoods, poverty eradication and sustainable development shall be discussed as appropriate at future meetings of the Conference of the Parties for the purpose of recommending specific actions to implement the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020.

9. The annex to decision XI/22 further specified the elements for the terms of reference (ToR) for the Expert Group. Paragraph 1 indicates that the Expert Group's work shall focus on decision X/6 and the decisions from COP 11, i.e. decision XI/22, taking into account the ongoing process following the outcomes of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development (Rio+20). Paragraph 2 directs the Expert Group to build upon the capacity development framework for mainstreaming biodiversity and ecosystem services for sustainable development and poverty eradication generated at the first Expert Group meeting in Dehradun, India ([UNEP/CBD/WG-RI/4/INF/11](#)), the decision of the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties on the Dehradun Recommendations, and the outcomes of Rio+20.

10. The Expert Group is mandated to provide inputs as appropriate to the fifth meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Review of Implementation (WGRI-5) to enhance the implementation of the Convention and the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020, to support the achievement of the Aichi Biodiversity Targets, and its contribution to sustainable development, poverty eradication and overall human well-being, in accordance with the terms of reference provided in the annex to decision XI/22. It shall also provide guidance towards a conceptual framework, a road map for the integration of biodiversity into poverty eradication and development in the context of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and the Aichi Biodiversity Targets.

11. Pursuant to decision XI/22, a notification¹⁰ and call for nominations for the second meeting of the Expert Group on Biodiversity for Poverty Eradication and Development was sent to national focal points and relevant organizations inviting them to nominate and/or renominate experts as a member of the Expert Group. Hence, the Expert Group consists of experts renominated or newly nominated by Parties and a group of observers nominated or renominated by and representing different organizations and groups in line with paragraph 1 of the annex to decision XI/22. The list of experts nominated by Parties and observers was then approved by the COP Bureau, after which another notification¹¹ was issued with the information about the composition of experts and observers to the second meeting of the Expert Group.

12. The second meeting of the Expert Group on Biodiversity for Poverty Eradication, generously funded by the Governments of Japan and France, will take place at the GRT Grand Hotel in Chennai, India, from 4 to 6 December 2013, with the kind support of the Ministry of Environment and Forests of the Government of India. Furthermore, there will be a joint session on 4 December 2013 with the High-Level Panel on Global Assessment of Resources for Implementing the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020, which will hold its meeting from 2 to 4 December 2013, also in Chennai.

13. Decision XI/22 instructed the Expert Group to prepare for discussions of the recommendations by the Conference of the Parties at its twelfth meeting by preparing a report in due time for the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Review of Implementation of the Convention including:

- (i) A thematically restructured and streamlined draft of the Dehradun Recommendations; and

¹⁰ SCBD/MPO/NP/DB/ES/82369 (2013-075), dated 5 September 2013.

¹¹ SCBD/MPO/NP/DB/ES/82819 (2013-093), dated 18 October 2013.

- (ii) Guidance for implementation drawn from a review on experiences with implementation of the integration of biodiversity and poverty eradication, reflection on root causes and drivers of biodiversity loss and poverty eradication as well as linkages to other relevant policies;

14. As noted above, the second meeting of the Expert Group will include a joint session with the High-Level Panel (HLP) on Global Assessment of Resources for Implementing the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 on 4 December 2013 in order to exchange views and align their respective work. This is in line with paragraph 4 (g) of the annex to decision XI/22 which specifies that the Expert Group will collaborate with ongoing efforts at the Secretariat of the Convention to integrate biodiversity and ecosystems goods and services concerns into the process of developing national development plans and national accounting systems. The focus of the joint session will be on Aichi Biodiversity Target 2 on mainstreaming and incorporation of biodiversity values in national accounting systems. Continuing with collaboration with other forums, the outcome of the Scientific and Technical Advisory Panel of the Global Environment Facility (GEF-STAP) Workshop: Mainstreaming Biodiversity Conservation in Production Sectors that took place in Cape Town, South Africa from 1 to 3 October 2013 will also be shared with the Expert Group. The Expert Group will also receive a message from the Medellin Multistakeholder Dialogue on Integrating Socio-ecological Resilience into the New Development Agenda, which will be held in Medellin, Colombia, from 2 to 4 December 2013, in line with paragraph 11 (e) of decision XI/22.

15. The proposed programme of work of the Expert Group meeting includes all of the different requests from the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention (COP 11) as listed in the terms of reference (ToR) of the Expert Group in the annex to decision XI/22, reproduced in annex II of the present document.

16. The Expert Group will first make an assessment of best practices on integrating biodiversity into poverty eradication and development. Following presentations on best practices by region (Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America and the Caribbean, Pacific) and on best practices of development and international institutions and local communities, there will be discussions and recommendations to help provide inputs on best practices in line with paragraph 4 (h) of the annex to decision XI/22. Pursuant to paragraphs 4 (c), (d), and (f) of the annex to decision XI/22, the Expert Group will then work in three sub-groups to discuss the elements related to national strategies and sub-national and local approaches for the preparation of guidance for national biodiversity strategies and action plans (NBSAPs), the assessment of the role of collective action and the efforts of indigenous and local communities, and the integration of biodiversity policy with other development policies to scale up livelihoods of local populations.

17. Pursuant to paragraphs 4 (e), (i) and (j) of the annex to decision XI/22, the Expert Group will continue its work in three sub-groups to discuss issues related to capacity-building networks, and regional centres of excellence, triangular cooperation initiatives and United Nations Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF) revision, as well as contribute to the development, piloting and review of differentiated tools to facilitate the implementation of the guidance provided to all relevant stakeholders in sustainable development processes. It will also provide inputs that will help compile recommendations on how relevant biodiversity aspects, including conservation and sustainable use of its components, provision of ecosystem services, and utilization of genetic resources should be considered within poverty reduction strategies and national development planning. The syntheses resulting from these discussions will be presented to the Expert Group in plenary and will serve as inputs for the provision of guidance, design of a conceptual framework, road map and the development of differentiated tools to facilitate the implementation of guidance. All of the above discussions will also identify inputs for the review of the Dehradun Recommendations.

18. Pursuant to paragraph 4 (a) (i) and (b), the Expert Group is tasked to prepare a thematically restructured and streamlined draft of the Dehradun Recommendations and promote a comprehensive revision of these recommendations considering the Rio+20 outcome and submissions of Parties at the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties taking into account that there are different approaches,

visions, models and tools available to each country, in accordance with its national circumstances and priorities, to achieve the three objectives of the Convention, the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and the Aichi Biodiversity Targets. Hence, at its second meeting, the Expert Group will review the Dehradun Recommendations to provide the inputs needed to prepare the recommendations as required in its terms of reference.

19. The Expert Group will assess barriers to implementation of the decisions of the Convention related to poverty eradication and sustainable development to provide the inputs that will help compile the list of priority barriers that need to be overcome in line with paragraph 4 (k) of the annex to decision XI/22. The Expert Group will then work in two sub-groups with one of them concentrating on guidance for implementation and towards a conceptual framework and roadmap and the other continuing the review of the Dehradun Recommendations. The syntheses of the results of the discussions will be presented in plenary at the end of the discussions, after which the Expert Group will summarize the outcome of the meeting. The way forward will then be discussed.

20. Following paragraph 11 (f) of decision XI/22, the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity has prepared the second meeting of the Expert Group on Biodiversity for Poverty Eradication and Development in close collaboration with and feedback from other relevant events including the Nairobi NBSAP global meeting, the meeting of the Working Group on Article 8 (j) and Related Provisions, the Exhibition in Nairobi, the ongoing discussion on access and benefit-sharing, and the GEF-STAP workshop, among others.

21. The report of the Expert Group on Biodiversity for Poverty Eradication and Development and its conclusions will be made available to the Working Group on Review of Implementation at its fifth meeting (WGRI-5) for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its twelfth meeting (COP 12). The Expert Group's recommendation shall provide technical input to the WGRI-5 and will be significant not only for COP 12 but also subsequent COP decisions related to the Convention's Biodiversity for Poverty Eradication and Development programme during upcoming years.

22. Other outcomes could be to generate a plan to create guidelines for the Convention on Biological Diversity on the better integration of Biodiversity for Poverty Eradication and Development into the different programmes of work. The need for the promotion of an understanding that maintaining biodiversity is not a *problem* to be solved but rather an *opportunity* to help achieve broader social and economic goals has become very crucial. On the one hand, biodiversity and the ecosystem services that it underpins are essential for continued human development; and on the other hand, *sustainable* pathways for human development are needed to ensure that these life support renewable natural resources and ecosystem services continue to be maintained. Biodiversity should be recognized for its significant role in sustainable development and poverty alleviation for the benefits of current society and the welfare of future generations as well.

23. The list of working documents generated for the meeting are the following:

Main working documents:

- (a) Annotated agenda;
- (b) A draft revised Dehradun Recommendations;
- (c) Introduction papers for the working sessions;

Background documents:

- (d) The list of participants;
- (e) Biodiversity Issues Brief prepared for the Open Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) Eighth Session in February 2014;

- (f) Synthesis Report of the First Meeting of the Expert Group (A Capacity Development Framework – Mainstreaming Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services into Poverty Eradication and Development Processes)
- (g) A glossary of working definitions;
- (h) A list of reference for consultation (selected bibliography);
- (i) Nagoya Declaration on Biodiversity in Development Cooperation;
- (j) Links to other relevant documents; and
- (k) Link to the first Expert Group meeting website.

24. The terms of reference (ToR) of the Expert Group, as provided in the annex to decision XI/22, are reproduced below in annex II.

25. The meeting will be held in English.

ITEM 1. OPENING SESSION OF THE MEETING AND ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

26. Registration to the meeting will take place from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. at the meeting location at the GRT Grand Hotel in Chennai, India. The meeting will start at 9 a.m. with opening remarks by the Additional Secretary of the Indian Government's Ministry of Environment and Forests, Mr. Hem Pande. Ms. Amy Fraenkel, Principal Officer, Mainstreaming, Partnerships and Outreach (MPO) of the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity (SCBD), will then welcome the Expert Group as well as other guests, and will give a brief overview of decisions X/6 and XI/22 on Biodiversity for Poverty Eradication and Development, the terms of reference (ToR) of the Expert Group and a brief assessment of issues of importance to biodiversity for poverty eradication and development, including the Rio+20 outcomes, and the ongoing processes towards the Post-2015 UN Development Agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). A welcome address and information on local logistics will then be delivered by Mr. C. Achalender Reddy, Secretary at the National Biodiversity Authority in India.

27. The tour de table that follows will consist of short self-introductions (one minute each) of the Expert Group members and their expectations from the meeting.

28. Organizational matters will then be addressed after a short break. First, the co-chair(s) will be selected. Mr. Hem Pande, representative of the host country, and Ms. Maria Schultz, Director, Resilience and Development Programme (SwedBio) in Sweden, have volunteered.

29. Ms. Astri Toril Bente Herstad, Director of the Department of Climate, Environment and Natural Resources at the Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation and co-chair of the previous Expert Group, will make a brief presentation on the first meeting of the Expert Group and the results thereof. Mr. Didier Babin, Senior Programme Officer (MPO) at the CBD Secretariat will then present the objectives and organization of the meeting as well as the provisional agenda ([UNEP/CBD/EGM-BPED/2/1](#)) and programme of work for consideration and adoption by the Expert Group. Further details of the programme outlined in the provisional agenda are available as annex I below.

30. As the second meeting of the Expert Group is limited in time with only three days to deliberate, a "WGRI-5 Recommendation Panel" will be selected to compile the recommendations as they are produced throughout the meeting. The Panel members will be composed of one country representative from each of the United Nations regions. The Panel will be given the important task and responsibility of collecting and compiling all of the relevant information and recommendations for the provision of effective and coherent inputs to WGRI-5 for consideration by COP 12.

ITEM 2. COLLABORATION WITH OTHER FORUMS

31. This session will be held jointly with the High-Level Panel (HLP) on Global Assessment of Resources for Implementing the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020. The session will be chaired by

Mr. Carlos Manuel Rodriguez, Vice President and Senior Policy Advisor at the Center for Environment and Peace, Conservation International in Costa Rica and chairman of the HLP. Mr. Herbert Acquay, Sector Manager of Sustainable Development South Asia Region of the World Bank, and Mr. Amadou Bamba Diop, Senior Environmentalist at the African Development Bank, will serve as rapporteurs.

32. The session will open with context setting remarks by Mr. Ravi Sharma, Principal Officer of Technical Support for Implementation (TSI) at the CBD Secretariat. An overview of the High-Level Panel will then be given by Mr. Carlos Manuel Rodriguez. This will be followed by an overview of the expectations of the Expert Group on Biodiversity for Poverty Eradication and Development delivered by one of the co-chairs of the Expert Group. Finally, the Honorable Smt. Jayanthi Natarajan, Minister of Environment and Forests of the Government of India will address the participants of the meeting.

33. The principal objective of this session is to reinforce collaboration and facilitate coherence with other forums so as to ensure the integration of biodiversity and ecosystems concerns into different ongoing processes and activities. Pursuant to paragraph 4 (g) of the annex to decision XI/22 on Biodiversity for Poverty Eradication and Development, the activities during this session will consist of presentations of various ongoing work that could contribute to and enhance collaboration with ongoing efforts at the Secretariat of the Convention on Aichi Biodiversity Target 2.

34. Mr. Matt Rayment, HLP Research Team's Senior Consultant will make a presentation highlighting the HLP analysis related to mainstreaming biodiversity values, and to relevant policy alignment and development. Ms. Dilys Roe, Team Leader of Biodiversity and Natural Resources Group at the International Institute for Environment & Development (IIED), will present the relevant elements of the outcome of the workshop on mainstreaming biodiversity conservation in production sectors that took place in Cape Town, South Africa from 1 to 3 October 2013. There will be a short question-and-answer period following each of these presentations.

35. Presentations and discussion on national accounting systems (NAS) and biodiversity will follow. The first presentation will be on green accounting in India, and the second on "Experimental Ecosystems / National Capital Accounts for Mauritius 2000-2010" by Mr. Anand Sookun, Senior Statistician at Statistics Mauritius. Each of these presentations will also be followed by a short question and answer period. The discussion that follows will aim to generate feedbacks, comments and recommendations on national accounting systems and biodiversity.

36. A message from the Medellin Multistakeholder Dialogue on Integrating Socio-ecological Resilience into the New Development Agenda, which will be held in Medellin, Colombia, from 2 to 4 December 2013, will be delivered by Ms. Maria Schultz, for consideration by the Expert Group at its meeting.

ITEM 3. EXCHANGE ON BEST PRACTICES ON INTEGRATING BIODIVERSITY INTO POVERTY ERADICATION AND DEVELOPMENT

37. The principal goal of this session is to discuss and compile information on best practices and most effective methods of integration of biodiversity and ecosystem services into poverty eradication and development processes. Pursuant to paragraph 4 (h) of the annex to decision X/22, this session will compile elements that will help facilitate through the Convention's national focal points and the Secretariat of the Convention, the collection and dissemination of best practices on integrating biodiversity into poverty eradication and development, as appropriate. Mr. Didier Babin will deliver the introduction and objectives of the exercise. The session will be chaired by Ms. Maria Schultz; Ms. Andrea Quesada-Aguilar, Senior Project Coordinator at the Women's Environment and Development Organization (WEDO), and Mr. Rashed Al Mahmud Titumir, Chairperson of Unnayan Onneshan in Bangladesh and member of the CBD Alliance, will serve as rapporteurs. Mr. Mensah Bienvenu Celestin Bossou, Coordinator of the Implementation Project for Nagoya Protocol on ABS in Benin, will help facilitate the session.

38. There will be five presentations focused on best practices by region. Best practices in Africa will be presented by Mr. Kiruben Naicker, Deputy Director of the Department of Environmental Affairs in South Africa; in Latin America and the Caribbean by Mr. Diego Pacheco, Consultant, Researcher and Professor at the University of Cordillera in Bolivia (Plurinational State of); in Europe by Ms. Maria Schultz; and in Asia by Ms. Mary Jane J. Magturo, Senior Economic Development Specialist, Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environment (ANRES), National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) in Philippines, and in the Pacific region by Ms. Turang Teuea, Environment Inspector at the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Agricultural Development of the Republic of Kiribati. These presentations are built on feedback from other experts from each region from within and outside the Expert Group depending on the case. The discussion, feedback, and comments that follow the presentations will allow the collection of recommendations and best practice examples for up scaling and dissemination.

39. Next, presentations on best practices of development and international institutions and local communities will be delivered. The first presentation will be on best practices of Development Agencies and Multilateral Banks by Mr. Anupam Joshi, Senior Environment Specialist at The World Bank and Mr. Arnold Jacques de Dixmude, Policy Officer at the European Commission, EU Development Cooperation Office. The second will be on Poverty Alleviation, Indigenous Peoples and Community Conserved Territories and Areas (ICCA) and other instruments by Mr. Mohammed Taghi Farvar, President of Indigenous Peoples and Community Conserved Territories and Areas (ICCA) Consortium and Member of the Council of Elders, Union of Indigenous Nomadic Tribes of Iran. Ms. Isabell Kempf will then present the Poverty Environment Initiative (PEI) and perspectives in the UN Development Group. The four presentations will then be discussed. This session will also be chaired by Ms. Maria Schultz with again Ms. Andrea Quesada-Aguilar and Mr. Rashed Al Mahmud Titumir serving as rapporteurs for the session to continue collecting the relevant feedbacks, comments and recommendations for compilation and dissemination of the best practices.

ITEM 4. GUIDANCE FOR NATIONAL BIODIVERSITY STRATEGIES AND ACTION PLANS (NBSAPs)

40. The meeting will continue with working sessions in sub-groups and brainstorming in plenary. Each session should identify elements for incorporation in (a) guidance for implementation and towards a conceptual framework and road map (items 7 and 8) and (b) review of the Dehradun Recommendations (item 9).

41. The Secretariat will introduce the items and the objectives, and will explain how the sub groups will work. For each item, an introduction paper will help the discussion for concrete recommendations. Items 4, 5 and 6 will be by addressed in parallel by three working sub-groups, one for each item.

42. The principal objective of the sub-group's working session for item 4 is to discuss and compile elements to prepare and provide guidance through the Secretariat of the Convention to Parties on how poverty eradication and development processes should be integrated into national biodiversity strategies and action plans (NBSAPs) to ensure their successful implementation at national, subnational, and local level in order to address poverty, strengthen livelihoods, human well-being and sustainable development in line with paragraph 4 (c) of the annex to decision XI/22. This sub-group's session will be chaired by Ms. Dilys Roe, with Mr. Javad Momeni, Expert of CBD at the Department of International Economic Affairs and Specialized Agencies in the Islamic Republic of Iran, serving as rapporteur. The synthesis of the outcome of this sub-group's session will be presented in plenary, together with those of the sub-groups for item 5 and 6, following the working sessions of the three sub-groups.

ITEM 5. CONCEPTUAL FRAMEWORK AND GUIDANCE ON HOW TO ASSESS THE ROLE OF COLLECTIVE ACTION AND THE EFFORTS OF INDIGENOUS AND LOCAL COMMUNITIES (ILCs)

43. In line with paragraph 4 (d) of the annex to decision XI/22, the principal objective of the sub-group's working session for item 5 is to discuss various elements, compile the relevant information

and develop a conceptual framework and guidance on how to assess the role of collective action and the efforts of indigenous and local communities (ILCs) in conserving biodiversity, considering the critical role of indigenous and local communities in the stewardship and sustainable management of natural renewable resources, including exploring the role of non-market-based approaches in this endeavour. This sub-group's working session will be chaired by Ms. Lucy Mulenkei, Executive Director of the Indigenous Information Network in Kenya; Mr. Faizi Shahul Hameed, Centre for Biodiversity Studies in India and Chairperson of CBD Alliance, will serve as rapporteur. The synthesis of the outcome of this sub-group's session will be presented in plenary, together with those of the sub-groups for item 4 and 6 respectively, at the end of the working sessions of the three sub-groups.

ITEM 6. GUIDANCE ON INTEGRATION OF BIODIVERSITY POLICY WITH OTHER DEVELOPMENT POLICIES TO SCALE UP LIVELIHOODS OF LOCAL POPULATIONS

44. The main objective of the sub-group's working session for item 6 is to discuss various elements and compile the pertinent information to provide guidance to Parties on how to integrate biodiversity policy with other development policies to scale-up opportunities for the strengthening of sustainable livelihoods of local populations, including job creation and prosperity through development in the management and maintenance of ecological infrastructure in line with paragraph 4 (f) of the annex to decision XI/22. This sub-group's working session will be chaired by Ms. Astri Toril Bente Herstad with Mr. DOUNGOU ABAKAR, Directeur Général Adjoint du Budget at the Ministry of Finance and Budget in Chad serving as a rapporteur to compile the relevant elements and recommendations for the guidance for integrating biodiversity policy with other development policies. The synthesis of the outcome of this session will be presented together with those of the other two sub-groups for item 4 and 5 at the end of the working session of the three sub-groups.

ITEMS 7 AND 8. GUIDANCE FOR IMPLEMENTATION AND TOWARDS A CONCEPTUAL FRAMEWORK AND ROADMAP

45. Items 7 and 8 will be addressed together by one working sub-group, while another working sub-group will focus on item 9. The Secretariat of the CBD will introduce the items and specify the objectives of the activities in the two sub-groups.

46. Pursuant to paragraph 4 (a) (ii) of the annex to decision XI/22, this sub-group's working session will discuss different elements and compile the relevant information to provide guidance for implementation drawn from a review on experiences with implementation of the integration of biodiversity and poverty eradication, reflection on root causes and drivers of biodiversity loss and poverty eradication as well as linkages to other relevant policies. This can form the basis for a conceptual framework, a road map for the integration of biodiversity into poverty eradication and development in the context of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and the Aichi Biodiversity Targets. This sub-group's working session will be chaired by Mr. Diego Pacheco, with Mr. Francis Dany Matip Nougba, Head of Follow up Unit at the Ministry of Environment, Nature Protection and Sustainable Development in Cameroon, and Ms. Suneetha Subramanian, Adj. Senior Research Fellow, United Nations University Institute of Advanced Studies (UNU-IAS) serving as rapporteurs. The synthesis of the outcome of this session will be presented at the end of the working session of the two sub-groups.

ITEM 9. REVIEW OF THE DEHRADUN RECOMMENDATIONS

47. The discussion on this item will be done in two sessions, one in plenary and the other in a sub-group. The principal objective of this item is to review the Dehradun Recommendations to prepare for discussions of the recommendations by the Conference of the Parties at its twelfth meeting (COP 12) by preparing a report in time for the fifth meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Review of Implementation of the Convention (WGRI-5). The revision of the Dehradun Recommendations should be accomplished considering Rio+20 outcome and submissions of Parties at the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties taking into account that there are different approaches, visions, models and

tools available to each country, in accordance with its national circumstances and priorities, to achieve the three objectives of the Convention, the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and the Aichi Biodiversity Targets in line with paragraph 4 (b) of the annex to decision XI/22. The sessions will be chaired by Mr. Hem Pande, with Ms. Vishaish Uppal, Head of Sustainable Livelihoods and Governance of WWF-India and Ms. Jessica Nelía Diaz, from the Secretario de Embajada, Dirección General de Asuntos Ambientales, Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores y Culto (Argentina) as rapporteurs. The Secretariat of the CBD will propose for this session a new version of the Dehradun Recommendations based on the discussions and proposals collected during COP 11 in plenary and during the Friends of the Chair meeting.

ITEM 10. ASSESSMENT OF BARRIERS TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECISIONS OF THE CONVENTION RELATED TO POVERTY ERADICATION AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

48. The session will start with a brainstorming discussion after the Secretariat of the CBD gives an introduction and explains the objectives of the session and presents the different decisions of the Convention related to poverty eradication and sustainable development. The session will be chaired by Ms. Dilys Roe and Ms Andrea Quesada-Aguilar. Pursuant to paragraph 4 (k) of the annex to decision XI/22, the primary objective of the following part of the session is to assess and compile the different barriers to implementation and identify and recommend those that should be given priority in order to facilitate the implementation of the decisions of the Convention related to poverty eradication and sustainable development. This session will be chaired by Mr. Luc Janssens de Bisthoven, Coordinator at the Royal Belgian Institute of Natural Sciences, with Mr. Kent Nnadozie, Senior Treaty Officer at the Secretariat of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture, serving as rapporteur to compile the relevant information and the list of barriers including those recommended for priority action to enhance implementation. The synthesis of the results of this session will be presented by the session rapporteur together with the syntheses of results from the sub-group sessions on items 11 to 13.

ITEM 11. GUIDANCE FOR CAPACITY-BUILDING NETWORKS AND REGIONAL CENTRES OF EXCELLENCE, TRIANGULAR COOPERATION INITIATIVES AND THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE FRAMEWORK REVISIONS

49. This item will be undertaken by one working sub-group while two other sub-groups work on items 12 and 13 respectively. For each item an introduction paper will help the discussion for concrete recommendations. The Secretariat of the CBD will first give an introduction to the session and explain the objectives of the activities of the three working sub-groups. The main objective of this working sub-group is to discuss and compile elements to provide guidance on integration of biodiversity for poverty eradication and development for ongoing capacity-building networks and regional centres of excellence on development planning, poverty eradication strategies, biodiversity and ecosystem services, triangular cooperation initiatives, and the United Nations Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF) revisions or other relevant processes in line with paragraph 4 (j) of the annex to decision XI/22. The session will be chaired by Ms. Mary Jane J. Magturo, Senior Economic Development Specialist at Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environment in Philippines, with Mr. Sebastien Restrepo, Investigador Titular at the Instituto de Investigacion en Recursos Biologicos Alexander von Humboldt in Colombia, serving as a rapporteur to collect and compile the elements of guidance for each of the above identified audience (e.g., ongoing capacity-building networks). The synthesis of the outcome of this sub-group's working session will be presented together with those of the sub-groups for items 12 and 13 and the session on item 10 at the end of the sessions.

ITEM 12. CONTRIBUTION TO THE DEVELOPMENT, PILOTING AND REVIEW OF DIFFERENTIATED TOOLS

50. This item will be covered in one of three sub-groups (the others being for items 11 and 13 in the provisional agenda). An introduction paper will help the discussion for concrete recommendations. The main objective of this session is to discuss and compile different elements that contribute to the development, piloting and review of differentiated tools that would help implement the guidance provided to all relevant stakeholders in sustainable development process in line with paragraph 4 (i) of the annex to decision XI/22. Differentiated tools are those tools designed to meet the needs of the different stakeholders in the sustainable development process. The elements to be discussed and compiled include those for: a) development, b) piloting, and c) review of the tools. This session will be chaired by Ms. Asia Adlan Mohammed, Training Coordinator at the Institute of Environmental Studies (IES) in Sudan with Mr. Roy Lorenzo Vargas Solano, Funcionario, Instituto Mixto de Ayuda Social (IMAS) in Costa Rica, serving as a rapporteur to compile the information and recommendations in relation to the development, piloting and review of the differentiated tools. The synthesis of the outcome of this sub-group's working session will be presented together with those of the sub-groups for item 11 and 13 and the session on item 10 at the end of the sessions.

ITEM 13. RECOMMENDATIONS ON HOW RELEVANT BIODIVERSITY ASPECTS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED WITHIN POVERTY REDUCTION STRATEGIES AND NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLANNING

51. This item will be undertaken in one working sub-groups while other sub-groups address items 11 and 12 respectively. An introduction paper will help the discussion for concrete recommendations. Pursuant to paragraph 4 (e) of the annex to decision XI/22, the Expert Group will cover various topics and discuss different elements to be able to make recommendations on how relevant biodiversity aspects, including conservation biodiversity and the sustainable use of its components, the provision of ecosystem services, and utilization of genetic resources should be considered within poverty reduction strategies and national development planning. This session will be chaired by Mr. Liucui Zhu, Director of Foreign Economic Cooperation Office of the Chinese Ministry of Environment Protection, with Mr. Carlos Manuel Rodriguez as rapporteur. The synthesis of the outcome of this sub-group's working session will be presented together with those of the sub-groups for item 11 and 12 and the session on item 10 at the end of the sessions.

ITEM 14. OUTCOME OF THE MEETING AND WAY FORWARD

52. The main goal of this session is to produce elements of recommendations for the fifth meeting of the Working Group on Review of Implementation of the Convention (WGRI-5) for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its twelfth meeting (COP 12). The session will involve discussions taking up some of the main items discussed during the meeting to arrive at concrete proposals. These will include (a) thematically structured and streamlined Dehradun Recommendations and (b) guidance for implementation that can be used towards a road map. The session will also involve a thorough review of proposals from the Expert Group compiled during the previous sessions before discussing and making proposals on the way forward. This item will be co-chaired by the designated WGRI-5 Recommendation Panel, composed of the representatives of the different United Nations regions.

53. The co-chairs of the meeting will give concluding remarks to mark the end of the discussions. This section will also include the adoption of the meeting report, conclusions and recommendations that resulted from discussions during the meeting.

ITEM 15. CLOSURE OF THE MEETING

54. The closing ceremony will take place on Friday, 6 December 2013 from 5 p.m.-5.30 p.m.

*Annex I***PROPOSED ORGANIZATION OF WORK**

Wednesday, 4 December 2013	
8 a.m.-9 a.m.	Registration of participants at the meeting room of the GRT Grand Hotel
9 a.m.-10.30 a.m. Item 1 Opening of the meeting	<p>Opening of the meeting</p> <p>Opening remarks by Mr. Hem Pande, Additional Secretary of the Government of India's Ministry of Environment and Forests</p> <p>Introduction to the Expert Group by Ms. Amy Fraenkel, Principal Officer, Mainstreaming, Partnerships and Outreach, SCBD</p> <p>Welcome and information on local logistics by Mr. C. Achalender Reddy, Secretary of the National Biodiversity Authority</p> <p>Tour de table</p>
10.30 a.m.-11 a.m. – Coffee/Tea break	
11 a.m.-12.30 p.m. Item 1 (continued) Organizational matters	<p>Organizational matters:</p> <p>Appointment of co-chairs for the Expert Group</p> <p>Presentation on the previous Expert Group meeting and results</p> <p>Objectives and organization of the meeting and adoption of the agenda</p>
12.30 p.m.-2 p.m. – Lunch	
2 p.m.-3 p.m. Item 2 Collaboration with other forums	<p>Joint session with the High-Level Panel on Global Assessment of Resources for Implementing the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020</p> <p>Overviews of the meetings; presentations</p> <p>Overview - High-Level Panel</p> <p>Overview - Expert Group on Biodiversity for Poverty Eradication and Development</p> <p>Address by Smt. Jayanthi Natarajan, Minister of Environment and Forests, India</p>
3 p.m.-3.30 p.m. – Coffee/Tea Break	
3.30 p.m.-6 p.m. Item 2 (continued)	<p>Presentations on mainstreaming</p> <p>(a) The High-Level Panel analysis relating to mainstreaming biodiversity values and to relevant policy alignment and development</p> <p>(b) GEF-STAP Mainstreaming Biodiversity Meeting (Cape Town) outcomes</p> <p>Presentations on national accounting systems and biodiversity</p> <p>(a) Green National Accounting in India</p> <p>(b) Experimental Ecosystems / National Capital Accounts for Mauritius 2000-2010</p> <p>General Discussion – Feedback, comments, recommendations</p>
6 p.m.-8 p.m. – Joint Reception	
<p>Message from the Medellin Multistakeholder Dialogue</p> <p><i>Integrating Socio-ecological Resilience into the New Development Agenda</i></p>	

Thursday, 5 December 2013	
9 a.m.-10.30 a.m. Item 3 Best Practices	<p>Exchange on best practices on integrating biodiversity into poverty eradication and development</p> <p>Presentations on best practices of governments by region: Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean, Europe, Asia, Pacific.</p> <p>Discussion: Feedback, comments and recommendations for collection and dissemination of best practices</p>
10.30 a.m.-11 a.m. – Coffee/Tea break	
11 a.m.-12.30 p.m. Item 3 (continued)	<p>Presentations on best practices of development and international institutions and local communities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Development agencies and multilateral banks Indigenous and local communities Poverty-Environment Initiative (UNEP-UNDP) <p>Discussion: Feedback, comments and recommendations for collection and dissemination of best practices</p>
12.30-2 p.m. – Lunch	
2 p.m.-3.30 p.m. Items 4, 5, and 6	<p>National strategies and subnational and local approaches</p> <p><i>Working session in sub-groups</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sub-group on Item 4: National biodiversity strategies and action plans Sub-group on Item 5: How to assess the role of collective action and the efforts of indigenous and local communities Sub-group on Item 6: Integration of biodiversity policy with other development policies to scale-up livelihoods of local populations
3:30 p.m.-4 p.m. – Coffee/Tea Break	
4 p.m.-6 p.m. Items 4, 5 and 6 (cont'd)	<p><i>Plenary</i></p> <p>Synthesis by subgroups' rapporteurs on Items 4, 5, and 6</p>
Items 11, 12 and 13	<p>Capacity-building and differentiated tools</p> <p><i>Working session in sub-groups</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sub-group on Item 11: Capacity-building networks and regional centres of excellence, triangular cooperation initiatives and United Nations Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF) revisions Sub-group on Item 12: Development, piloting and review of differentiated tools Sub-group on Item 13: How relevant biodiversity aspects should be considered within poverty reduction strategies and national development planning
6 p.m.-8 p.m. – Dinner	
8 p.m.-9.30 p.m. Items 11,12,13 (cont'd)	<p><i>Plenary</i></p> <p>Synthesis by subgroups' rapporteurs on Items 11, 12, 13</p>
Item 9 Dehradun Recommendations	<p><i>Plenary working session</i></p> <p>Review of the Dehradun Recommendations</p>
9.30 p.m. – Return to GRT Grand Hotel	

Friday, 6 December 2013	
9 a.m.-10.30 a.m. Item 10 Assessment of barriers – brainstorming session	<p><i>Plenary</i></p> <p>Assessment of barriers</p> <p>Barriers to the implementation of the decisions of the Convention related to poverty eradication and sustainable development</p> <p>Compilation of the priority barriers that need to be overcome</p>
10.30 a.m.- 11 a.m. -- Coffee/Tea break	
11 a.m.-12.30 p.m. Items 7 and 8; Item 9 (continued)	<p>Guidance and Dehradun Recommendations</p> <p><i>Working session in sub-groups</i></p> <p>Sub-group on Items 7 and 8: Guidance for implementation and towards a conceptual framework and roadmap</p> <p>Sub-group on Item 9: Review of the Dehradun Recommendations (continued)</p>
12:30 p.m.-2 p.m. – Lunch	
2 p.m.-5 p.m. Items 7,8 and 9 (cont'd) Items 14 and 15 Outcomes, closure	<p><i>Plenary</i></p> <p>Synthesis by sub-groups' rapporteurs on Items 7, 8 and 9</p> <p>Item 14: Outcome of the meeting and way forward</p> <p>Item 15: Closure of the meeting</p> <p>Concluding remarks</p> <p>Adoption of the report</p>
5 p.m.-5.30 p.m. – Closing of the meeting	

Annex II

**ELEMENTS FOR TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE EXPERT GROUP ON BIODIVERSITY
FOR POVERTY ERADICATION AND DEVELOPMENT¹²**

1. The Expert Group's work shall focus on decision X/6 and decisions from the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties dealing with biodiversity for poverty eradication and development, taking into account the ongoing process following the outcomes of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development (Rio+20).
2. The Expert Group shall build upon the capacity development framework for mainstreaming biodiversity and ecosystem services for sustainable development and poverty eradication generated at the first Expert Group meeting in Dehradun, India (UNEP/CBD/WG-RI/4/INF/11), the decision of the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties on the Dehradun Recommendations, and the outcomes of Rio+20.
3. The Expert Group shall provide inputs as appropriate to the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Review of Implementation of the Convention to enhance the implementation of the Convention and the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020, to support the achievement of the Aichi Biodiversity Targets, and its contribution to sustainable development and human well-being, in accordance with the following terms of reference. The Expert Group shall provide guidance towards a conceptual framework, a road map for the integration of biodiversity into poverty eradication and development in the context of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and the Aichi Biodiversity Targets.
4. The Expert Group will:
 - (a) Prepare for discussions of the recommendations by the Conference of the Parties at its twelfth meeting by preparing a report in due time for the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Review of Implementation of the Convention including:
 - (i) A thematically restructured and streamlined draft of the Dehradun Recommendations; and
 - (ii) Guidance for implementation drawn from a review on experiences with implementation of the integration of biodiversity and poverty eradication, reflection on root causes and drivers of biodiversity loss and poverty eradication as well as linkages to other relevant policies;
 - (b) Promote a comprehensive revision of the Dehradun Recommendations considering Rio+20 outcome and submissions of Parties at the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties taking into account that there are different approaches, visions, models and tools available to each country, in accordance with its national circumstances and priorities, to achieve the three objectives of the Convention, the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and the Aichi Biodiversity Targets;
 - (c) Provide guidance through the Secretariat of the Convention to Parties on how poverty eradication and development processes should be integrated into the national biodiversity strategies and action plans (NBSAPs), to ensure their successful implementation at a national, subnational, and local level to address poverty, strengthen livelihoods, human well-being and sustainable development;
 - (d) Develop a conceptual framework and guidance on how to assess the role of collective action and the efforts of indigenous and local communities in conserving biodiversity, considering the critical role of indigenous and local communities in the stewardship and sustainable management of natural renewable resources, including exploring the role of non-market-based approaches in this endeavour;

¹² Annex to decision XI/22.

(e) Make recommendations on how relevant biodiversity aspects, including conservation and the sustainable use of its components, provision of ecosystem services, and utilization of genetic resources should be considered within poverty reduction strategies and national development planning;

(f) Provide guidance to Parties on how to integrate biodiversity policy with other development policies to scale up opportunities for the strengthening of sustainable livelihoods of local populations, including job creation and prosperity through development in the management and maintenance of ecological infrastructure;

(g) Collaborate with ongoing efforts at the Secretariat of the Convention to integrate biodiversity and ecosystems goods and services concerns into the processes of developing national development plans and national accounting systems;

(h) Facilitate through the Convention's National Focal Points and the Secretariat of the Convention the collection and dissemination of best practices on integrating biodiversity into poverty eradication and development, as appropriate;

(i) Contribute through the Secretariat of the Convention to the development, piloting and review of differentiated tools to help implement the guidance provided to all relevant stakeholders in sustainable development processes;

(j) Provide guidance on integration of biodiversity for poverty eradication and development for ongoing capacity-building networks and regional centres of excellence on development planning, poverty eradication strategies, biodiversity and ecosystem services, triangular cooperation initiatives, and the United Nations Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF) revisions or other relevant processes;

(k) Assess the barriers to the implementation of the decisions of the Convention related to poverty eradication and sustainable development;

(l) The composition and organization of the work of the Expert Group will follow the terms of reference annexed to decision X/6.
