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New Delhi, 1 August 2014 - The Science Express Biodiversity Special (SEBS) train, an innovative exhibition on wheels showcasing India's rich biodiversity, which was positioned as the brand Ambassador of CoP-11, has played a significant role in creating widespread awareness on biodiversity issues in the country. Following the resounding success of SEBS during its run in the first phase in 2012, the second phase was launched on World Environment Day, June 5 in 2013. The SEBS train since its launch in 2012 has covered 114 stations, travelled more than 37,000km in the two phases and has received 46 lakh (4.6 million visitors).

You would be pleased to know that the CoP President, Mr Prakash Javadekar, Minister for Environment, Forests & Climate Change, has now flagged off the SEBS train for its Phase III run on 28 July 2014 from New Delhi. Some photographs of the event are attached. The SEBS will undertake a 17,000 km journey up to 6 February 2015 covering 57 stations in the third phase.

SEBS is a unique and remarkable collaborative effort of the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change with the Ministry of Railways and Department of Science & Technology, undertaken during India's Presidency of CoP for enhancing awareness about India's rich biodiversity throughout the length and breadth of the country. It has contributed significantly in facilitating learning by millions of students and teachers in a fun-filled way.

