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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
NEW DELHI-110 003

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Dated 18th September, 2012

Excellency,

The sixth meeting of the Conference of Parties serving as the Meeting of the Parties of the Cartagena Protocol on Bio-safety (CoP-MoP-6) and the Eleventh Meeting of the Conference of Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CoP-11) is being held from 1 to 19 October, 2012 in Hyderabad City, Andhra Pradesh (India). As a part of CoP-11, a High-Level Segment (HLS) is being organised by India from 16 to 19 October, 2012. The Opening Plenary of the CoP 11 will be held on 16th October, 2012 (Afternoon) at the Hyderabad International Convention Centre (HICC), Hyderabad City, Andhra Pradesh, India to be opened by the Prime Minister of India.

- 2. I had sent you an invitation for the CoP-11 and CoP-MoP-6 in August last year. Besides, the invitation to all the Parties to the CBD is displayed on the website of CBD (www.cbd.int/cop11). The invitation is also displayed on my Ministry's website (http://moef.nic.in/).
- 3. I am taking this opportunity to renew the invitation to you to attend the High Level Segment (HLS) of CoP-11 in Hyderabad from 16 to 19 October, 2012. The Programme for the High Level Segment (HLS) is annexed herewith. This Meeting provides us with a common platform to discuss, learn and share views on the following four themes which have been identified for the High Level Segment of CBD CoP-11:
 - a) Panel I: Implementation of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020;
 - b) Panel II: Biodiversity for Livelihoods and Poverty Reduction;
 - c) Panel III: Coastal and Marine Biodiversity;
 - d) Panel– IV: Implementation of the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and Benefit Sharing.
- 4. The Government of India will provide financial support to the Leader + one member of the delegation of the Least Developed Countries in the form of to and fro air fare for international travel as well as local hospitality such as accommodation and local transport.

5. I shall count on your participation in the High Level Segment and look forward to engaging in positive, constructive deliberations during HLS which will considerably enrich the CoP-11.

Warm Regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Jayanthi Natarajan)

Ministers in-charge of Biodiversity of all the Parties to CBD

High Level Segment of CoP-11 to CBD

<u>Venue</u>: Hyderabad International Convention Centre (HICC), Hyderabad, India <u>Date</u>: 16 -19 October, 2012

TENTATIVE PROGRAMME

(As on 18th September, 2012)

Opening Plenary of the High Level Segment (HLS)

<u>Date</u>: **16th October, 2012** <u>Time</u>: 3.30 to 4.30 pm

Opening Statements by the **Prime Minister of India** and other dignitaries including Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh; President of CoP-11; Executive Secretary of CBD; GEF CEO and Executive Director of UNEP

Sessions	17 October (Wed)	18 October (Thus)	19 October (Fri)
	<u>Chair</u> : Ms Jayanthi Natarajan, Minister Environment and Forests, Government of India	Statements by the participants at Ministerial level (Cont'd.)	Chair's Summary HLS Panels (I - IV)
Morning session (10.00 AM - 01.00 PM)	(GoI) and President CoP-11	Parallel Panel discussion	<u>Chair</u> : Ms Jayanthi Natarajan, Minister of Environment and Forests, Gol and
	Statements by Heads of Ministerial Delegations and participating International Organisations	Panel-III: Coastal and Marine Biodiversity	President CoP-11
	Parallel Panel discussion Panel-I: Implementation of the Strategic Plan on Biodiversity 2011-2020	<u>Moderator:</u> Peru <u>Facilitators</u> : France, Philippines, Senegal, Seychelles, Venezuela	
	<u>Moderator</u> : UK <u>Facilitators</u> : Germany, Brazil, South Africa, Costa Rica, Cuba		
Lunch (01.00 - 03.00 PM)	Lunch by Government of India (by invitation) Invitees: All HLS participants (1+1)	Lunch by Government of India (by invitation) Invitees: All HLS participants (1+1)	Lunch by Government of India (by invitation) Invitees: All HLS participants (1+1)
	Statements by the participants at Ministerial level (Cont'd.)	Statements by the participants at Ministerial level (Cont'd.)	,
Afternoon Session (03.00 - 06.00 PM)	Parallel Panel discussion Panel-II: Biodiversity for Livelihoods and Poverty Reduction Moderator: Namibia Facilitators: Sweden, Bolivia, Indonesia, Ghana, Australia	Parallel Panel discussion Panel-IV: Implementation of Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and Benefit Sharing Moderator: Norway Facilitators: Bhutan, Mexico, Ethiopia, Republic of Korea, EU	Closing Plenary of CoP-11
Evening Session	07.00 - 09.00 PM Reception hosted by Government of India Invitees: All participants in the HLS (1+1)	07.00 - 09.00 PM Reception hosted by Government of Andhra Pradesh Invitees: All participants in the HLS (1+1)	06.00 PM Reception by Republic of Korea