



22 MAY 2016  
**INTERNATIONAL DAY  
FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY**  
**Mainstreaming Biodiversity;**  
Sustaining People and their Livelihoods



# International Day for Biological Diversity- 2016

is being celebrated by  
**ICAR-Central Arid Zone Research Institute (CAZRI)**  
**at Jodhpur on 23<sup>rd</sup> of May, 2016**

*[this programme is organized under the aegis of ENVIS Centre on Combating Desertification,  
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC), Government of India]*

Biodiversity being the foundation for life generally link livelihoods and sustainable development in all areas including economic sectors e.g; agriculture, forestry, fisheries and tourism etc. By halting biodiversity loss, civilization as a whole is investing in people, their lives and well-being.

The United Nations General Assembly, by its resolution 55/201 of 20 December 2000, proclaimed 22 May as The International Day for Biological Diversity, to increase understanding and awareness of biodiversity issues.

The thirteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (COP 13) to be held in Cancun, Mexico from 4 to 17 December 2016 will focus on the mainstreaming of biodiversity within and across sectors, which is closely linked to this year's IDB theme.

**Organizer/Organization's name:** Dr. O.P.Yadav (Director:ICAR-CAZRI) and Dr. Suresh Kumar (Principal Investigator), Dr. R.S.Tripathi, Dr. Dipankar Saha and Tirath Das (Members) of ENVIS Centre on Combating Desertification of Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR)-Central Arid Zone Research Institute (CAZRI), Jodhpur-342 003, Rajasthan, India

**Celebration title, time and place:** *“Mainstreaming Biodiversity for Desert Ecosystem Resilience and Livelihoods Sustenance”*, Time: 03:00 pm (IST); Place: Auditorium of CAZRI, Jodhpur-342 003, Rajasthan, India

ICAR-CAZRI being a Centre of Excellence in the Research and Development of Indian Arid Zones is going to celebrate International Day for Biological Diversity 2016 on 23<sup>rd</sup> May. There will be **lead popular lecture on “Desert Biodiversity in Sustainable Livelihoods” by Dr. Balraj Singh, Vice Chancellor, Jodhpur Agricultural University, Jodhpur. “Know your Biodiversity”, a identification walk** for the graduate and postgraduate students including commoners is also planned. The primary objective of the event is to sensitize people on biodiversity and its importance and to what extent we can mainstream these vital natural resources for long term resilience of desert ecosystem.

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