

# International Conference on Tropical Ecosystems: Structure, Diversity and Human Welfare

15–18 July 2001, Bangalore, India

The conference is being organized by the Ashoka Trust for Research in Ecology and the Environment (ATREE), Bangalore and co-hosted by leading national scientific institutions and organizations including the Indian Academy of Sciences, Bangalore, Indian National Science Academy, New Delhi, IUSSI-Indian Chapter, Bangalore and the University of Agricultural Sciences, Bangalore. The Conference is scheduled to coincide with the annual meeting of Association for Tropical Biology (ATB). The Organization for Tropical Studies (OTS) will cosponsor the meeting.

The conference will address three major theme areas: (a) Global change and tropical forest ecosystems; (b) Tropical forests: structure, diversity and function; and (c) Biodiversity hot spots. Each of these theme areas will comprise several symposia, which would include lead talks, contributed papers and posters. Besides, round table discussions on selected theme areas and field trips would also be organised.

Dr. M. S. Swaminathan, Dr. Peter Raven, Dr. Michael Donoghue, Dr. Madhav Gadgil, and Dr. Nalini Nadkarni have agreed to give the keynote talk.

## Registration:

Category	Payable by 1 March 2001	After 1 March 2001
Indian Students	Rs 500	Rs 600
Indian Delegates	Rs 2000	Rs 2400
Foreign Delegates	US \$ 250	US \$ 300

The Registration fee will cover conference tea, snacks, lunch, banquet and registration materials including the extended abstracts of the papers.

Limited travel support may be available for a few participants from ASEAN countries. However this is subject to availability of funds from donor agencies. Those in need of travel support may register themselves with the conference secretariat.

*Participants interested in attending the conference may kindly write to the Secretariat for further information. The conference will be limited to 350 participants. To ensure participation early registration is advised.*

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