## **WEBINAR** WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY 5 June 2020

## 2:30 pm-4:40 pm

## **Background**

on traditional food) The theme for World Environment Day 2020 is 'Biodiversity' and the focus is on role of nature in providing the essential infrastructure that supports life on Earth and human development. Food system is also a part of biodiversity, broadly termed as food biodiversity which is defined as the diversity of plants, animals and other organisms used for food, covering the genetic resources within species, between species and provided by ecosystems. Nature provides location specific varieties of plants which we can consume as food. In Indian Himalaya region, rich diversity of indigenous landraces/ varieties of cereals, millets, pulses, vegetables, spices, oil producing varieties of plants, wild edibles, fruits, and nuts are available, which are in use by the indigenous local communities since long. In real sense, the traditional cropping systems and practices of Himalayan communities have conserved the diversity of crop genetic resources, which forms a huge wealth of Himalayan people. Various varieties as well as the traditional cuisines made from these have been found nutritionally rich and full of antioxidant potential. The people should be motivated to cultivate traditional crops which can meet their

food requirement and income. They can only be encouraged for this if they will get economic benefits. This call for policy

**Opening** session

and program level interventions.

10 minutes

Status of agrobiodiversitybased food systems

40 minutes



Moderator: Dr. G. C. S . Negi Head, CSED

**Panelists** 

Prof. G K Niroula Chhetri, Vice Chancellor, Sikkim **State University** Dr.R.K.Maikhuri, HNBGU, Srinagar, Uttarakhand Dr.R.C.Sundriyal, HNBGU, Srinagar, Uttarakhand Ms. Vineeta Shah, **Uttarakhand Commodity** Board

Dr. Mahendra Singh Kunwar; Himalayan Action Research Centre (HARC)

**Concluding remarks** Prof. G K Niroula Chhetri Dr. G. C. S. Negi

Nutritional aspects and health benefits

Agrobiodiversity of Indian

(with the special emphasis

Himalayan Region

40 minutes



Moderator: Dr. I. D. Bhatt Head, CBCM

**Panellists** 

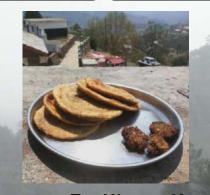
Dr. Vincent Darlong, VC, Martin Luther Christian University, Shillong Prof. Jyoti Prakash Tamang, Department of Microbiology, Sikkim University Dr. Savitri, Assistant Professor, HPU, Shimla Dr. Ajay Rastogi, The Foundation for the Contemplation of Nature Dr. T. Shantibala, IBSD,

**Concluding remarks** Dr. Vincent Darlong Dr.I.D.Bhatt

Manipur

## Culinary or food tourism

40 minutes



Moderator: Er. Kireet Kumar Head CLWRM

**Panelists** 

Dr. Utpal Kumar De, Professor, North-Eastern Hill University Mr. Ashish Bhatgain, Director, Uttarakhand **Tourism Development Board** Dr. Ghanashyam Sharma, Program manager, TMI, India Office Sikkim Dr. Saurabh Kumar Dixit, North - Eastern Hill University, Shillong Mr. Ankit Sood, Ecotourism Planner, HP

**Concluding remarks** Dr. Utpal Kumar De Er. Kireet Kumar

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