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Theme: Sustainable and Climate Resilient Ecosystem:
Environmental Ethics and Anthropogenic Impact

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ABOUT THE ICNS-2026

Sustainable and Climate Resilient Ecosystem: Environmental Ethics and Anthropogenic Impact

This theme “Sustainable and Climate-Resilient Ecosystems: Environmental Ethics and Anthropogenic Impact” emphasizes the urgent need to align human development with ecological balance amid accelerating climate change. Rapid urbanization, industrial growth, population expansion, and technological advancement have intensified pressure on natural resources, leading to biodiversity loss, habitat degradation, pollution, and global warming. The conference offers a multidisciplinary



platform to examine the impacts of human activities on ecosystem stability and to explore ethical, scientific, and policy-driven solutions for sustainability and climate resilience. It highlights the strong interconnection between ecological health, environmental ethics, and human well-being, promoting responsible actions to secure a sustainable future.

Anthropogenic activities such as deforestation, fossil fuel consumption, intensive agriculture, plastic pollution, and freshwater contamination have severely disrupted terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems. Rising greenhouse gas emissions have intensified climate change, increasing extreme weather events, altering hydrological cycles, and threatening global food and water security. Fragile ecosystems including freshwater bodies, forests, wetlands, and coastal regions are particularly vulnerable. Addressing these challenges requires both scientific innovation and a strong ethical foundation. Environmental ethics emphasizes the responsibility to conserve biodiversity, respect ecological limits, and ensure intergenerational equity. Integrating ethical principles into governance strengthens climate policies and promotes accountability and ecological justice.

Building climate resilience involves habitat restoration, renewable energy adoption, green infrastructure, sustainable agriculture, and integrated water management. Through interdisciplinary collaboration, research, and community engagement, the conference calls for collective action to mitigate climate change and secure ecological balance for present and future generations. Sub themes of 2nd ICNS 2026 are as under:

- **Environmental Ethics and Climate Action: Multidisciplinary Perspectives for Sustainable and Climate-Resilient Ecosystem**
- **Nature Based Solution for Sustainable Ecosystem Development and Disaster Risk Reduction**
- **Natural Science and Traditional Knowledge Wisdom: Exploring their possible integration for Holistic Development**
- **Application of AI tools and Modeling techniques for Soil, Drainage, Hazards and Biodiversity study of Eastern Himalaya**
- **Biodiversity Conservation and Ecosystem Dynamics**
- **Biodiversity, Water and Wildlife management**
- **Anthropogenic Stressors and Biodiversity Conservation**
- **Ecosystem Resilience, and the Sustainable Development Goals**
- **Community Participation and Policy Interventions for Sustainability**
- **Natural Sciences for Sustainable Planet, Agriculture and Food Security**
- **Climate Change, Mitigation strategies and Human wellbeing**
- **Any other relevant topics related with main theme**

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

The organizing committee invites original research abstracts for oral/poster presentation based on the theme/sub themes mentioned here for the conference. Original one-page abstract (A4-size with 2 cm margin on all sides, single column, Times New Roman font, font size 12, 1.5 line spacing in Word 97-2003 document) should be submitted at icns2026.abrf@gmail.com till **30th April 2026**. The esteemed participants are requested to mention clearly the title of the paper along with their names, email id and contact number.

ABOUT THE ORGANIZERS

Sikkim Alpine University (SAU), Namchi (Sikkim), India

Sikkim Alpine University has been granted the status of a State Private University, established in 2021 by the state Legislature of the Government of Sikkim under Act No.4 of 2006, and subsequently amended by the Act No. 14 of 2021. The university is recognized under section 2(f) of the University Grant Commission (UGC) Act, 1956 and is empowered to confer degrees as per Section 22 of the same act.

Sikkim Alpine University is also the member of Association of Indian Universities and SAU is also recognized and approved by UGC, Pharmacy Council of India, Bar Council of India, Rehabilitation Council of India. Sikkim Alpine University Academic Vision is designed to attract the world's best minds to contribute to the prosperity of Sikkim and the Nation. We aim to cultivate change-makers by ensuring our students graduate as:

- Efficient Communicators who lead with clarity
- Resourceful Creators who drive innovation
- Discerning Critical Thinkers who solve complex global issues
- Multidimensional Collaborators ready for the modern workforce

Lumbini Buddhist University, Lumbini, Nepal

Lumbini Buddhist University is a distinguished public institution established in 2004 and located in Lumbini, the sacred birthplace of Lord Buddha and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Conceived as an international hub for Buddhist education and research, the university is guided by the principles of peace, compassion, and coexistence derived from Buddhist philosophy. It aims to blend ancient wisdom with contemporary knowledge by offering a wide range of academic programs from the bachelor's to the doctoral level in disciplines such as Buddhist Studies, Humanities and Social Sciences, Development Studies, and emerging applied and technical fields. Through its academic framework, the university seeks to nurture intellectually competent, ethically grounded, and socially responsible individuals. With its central campus in Lumbini and additional campuses, including its city campus in Butwal, along with a growing network of affiliated colleges across Nepal, the university serves a diverse body of national and international students. It actively promotes research, intercultural dialogue, and global academic collaboration, often engaging in partnerships, conferences, and scholarly exchanges. By integrating spiritual values with modern education, Lumbini Buddhist University plays a vital role in advancing higher education in Nepal while contributing to global efforts in peacebuilding, sustainable development, and cultural preservation.

Sikkim Institute of Science and Technology, Chisopani (Department of Education, Govt. of Sikkim)

The Sikkim Institute of Science and Technology (SIST) is established in the year 2018 vide Notice No 515/DIR (HE)/HRD, dated 17.01.2017. The project is funded by Government of India's flagship, RUSA project and all the programmes are approved by All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE). It is the only State Engineering College of Sikkim located at Chisopani, Dist. Namchi, Sikkim and is affiliated to Central University, Sikkim popularly known as Sikkim Univ ...

Darjeeling Hills University, Mungpoo, Darjeeling (W.B.), India (A State Govt. University)

Darjeeling Hills University is located in the Himalayan foothills of the Gorkhaland Territorial Administration region, and commenced operations in the year 2021. Established by the Government of West Bengal for opening up new vistas in the academic arena of Darjeeling, its campuses are nestled amidst the pine-studded slopes of the Eastern Himalayas, and blanketed by the emerald-green tea and rejuvenating cinchona plantations. Institutionally aligned with the complementary visions of the National Education Policy 2020 and the West Bengal State Education Policy 2023, it aims to cater to the long-awaited need for reforms in higher education and research priorities in this region. As per the Preamble of its founding legislation, the university was established to promote advancement and dissemination of knowledge and learning, and extending higher education, to serve the society and nation. Furthermore, the State Education Policy plans to place special emphasis on enhancing the educational attainment of students in the region by, among other initiatives, augmenting the educational infrastructure; this education policy also places great concern on the betterment of education for children of workers in the tea growing areas of the region, along with the need to enrol

more women into the education system due to the low score of the region on the Gender Parity Index. Broadening its focus beyond traditional disciplines, the university is in the process of developing programmes and curriculum which focus on capacity building and development needs of the region in areas such as Counselling Psychology, Cultural Studies, Development Studies, Eastern Himalayan Heritage, Himalayan Environment Management, Himalayan Studies, Horticulture and Medicinal Plants, Media Studies, Medicinal and Aromatic Plants, Patients and Geriatric Care, Public Policy, and Tourism Management. Darjeeling Hills University, through such initiatives, seeks to position itself as a centre for regionally grounded yet globally attuned scholarship, and aspires to contribute meaningfully to sustainable regional development and inclusive knowledge creation.

International Buddhist Research Centre, Lucknow

(Department of Culture, Govt. of Uttar Pradesh)

The International Buddhist Research Institute was established by the Department of Culture, Government of Uttar Pradesh, in 1985. It is an autonomous body under the Department of Culture. The Institute's objective is to study the various Buddhist traditions prevalent across different parts of India within a national context, to conduct research related thereto, and to preserve the traditional and foundational beliefs, human values, and artistic artifacts associated with the cultural significance of Buddhist sites.

The primary objective of the Institute is to study the Buddhist traditions prevalent across various regions of India within both national and international contexts, to encourage research activities related to them, and to highlight the cultural significance of Buddhist sites. To this end, the Institute undertakes the documentation and preservation of traditional and foundational beliefs, human values, Buddhist art, faith, and artifacts.

J.R.D. State University, Chitrakoot, India

Jagadguru Rambhadracharya Divyang State University, often referred to in short form as J.R.D. State University, is a public state university located in Chitrakoot. Established in 2001 by Jagadguru Rambhadracharya, the university was created with a unique mission to provide higher and professional education primarily for persons with disabilities. Recognized by bodies such as the University Grants Commission (UGC), it offers a wide range of undergraduate, postgraduate, and professional programs across disciplines including arts, social sciences, computer science, education, management, music, and fine arts. The university is known for its inclusive and disability-friendly campus, providing facilities like accessible infrastructure, specialized teaching methods, and even free education, accommodation, and food for eligible differently-abled students. Over time, it has expanded its academic structure with multiple faculties and departments, and more recently, it has moved towards becoming a broader state university admitting general students as well, while continuing its core focus on empowerment, rehabilitation, and social integration through education.

Ashoka Trust for Research in Ecology and the Environment (ATREE), Gangtok, Sikkim, India

This trust is a globally recognised non-profit organisation focused on environmental conservation and sustainable, socially just development. ATREE engages in the generation and dissemination of rigorous interdisciplinary knowledge that informs and is informed by the needs of grassroots communities, policymakers and the wider public. It prioritizes capacity-building for producing the next generation of scholars and leaders.

National Environmental Science Academy, New Delhi

National Environmental Science Academy (NESAs) was founded by the late Prof. T.R.C. Sinha, the then Head of the Zoology Department, M.J.K. PG College, Bihar University to create awareness, promote and protect the environment. Conceptualized and initiated in 1984, the organization was registered as a society in 1988 under the Societies Act XXI of 1860 at Patna. This Academy operates at the national level, presently having its Head of Office at 206, Raj Tower-1, Alaknanda Community Centre, New Delhi. The main objective of the Academy is to bring awareness about environmental issues among the masses and strive for sustainable solutions by arranging lectures, demonstrations, training programs, seminars, symposiums, conferences, publishing journals, and organizing any other activities supporting the cause. The main objective of the Academy is to bring awareness about environmental issues among the masses by arranging lectures, workshops, training programs, seminars, symposia, conferences, publishing journals, etc.

Aims, Objectives, and Functions of the Academy

- To enhance and promote the study of the environmental sciences by encouraging students, scientists, researchers, academicians, and members of the Academy to pursue research on the environment and allied areas.
- To set up Regional/State Chapters for the dissemination of information on the environment.
- To motivate and prepare young minds for environmental management.
- To hold the Annual Conference of the Academy.
- To organize national and international level conferences, symposia, seminars, meetings, and workshops on themes of environmental concerns.
- To publish policy papers, synthesis volumes, proceedings, journals, newsletters, transactions, and other publications for the promotion of Environmental Sciences
- To forward recommendations of scientists and professors to government. agencies.
- To recognize the researchers for their scientific contributions.

Asian Biological Research Foundation (ABRF), Prayagraj, India

The ABRF Prayagraj, India is a self-supporting, academic and research associated body. It is basically non-profit and Non-Government Organization: (1) to provide a common platform for scientists associated with biological sciences to interact with one another for mutual benefit and to enhance the innovative knowledge on the subjects (2) to encourage, facilitate and perform the activities related to conservation of water, nature and biodiversity (3) to promote the new scientific knowledge that has emerged from recent advances and to felicitate the persons and organizations internationally for their outstanding services rendered in basic, applied and modern biological sciences including all branches of Botany, Zoology, Agriculture, Veterinary Science, Environmental Science, Molecular Biology, Biotechnology, Biochemistry, Bioinformatics, Microbiology, and so on, (4) to collaborate with National and International Institutions, Government and Non-Government Organizations, Schools, Colleges, Institutions, Universities, Private and Public sector Industries to achieve the objectives of the ABRF. The ABRF confers following categories of awards and honours through search and nominations:

1. **ABRF Lifetime Achievement Award** (above 57 years of age)
2. **Hon. Fellowship/Fellowship (FABRF)**
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8. **Senior Botanist/ Zoologist/ Biochemist/ Scientist/ Environmentalist Award** (above 45 years of age)
9. **Innovative Botanist/Zoologist/Scientist/Environmentalist/Agriculture Scientist/Biotechnologist/ Extension Professional Award**
10. **Innovative Biologist Award for Wild Life/ Biodiversity Conservation**
11. **Vigyan Ratna Puraskar** (No age bar)
12. **Paryavaran Shri Samman** (No age bar)
13. **Young Botanist/Zoologist/Scientist Award** (below 30 years of age; mainly for research scholar)

Note: Only ABRF Life Members are eligible for applying these awards. Each award will consist of a potted plant, anangvastram, a multicoloured award certificate and a Medal. ABRF Award selection is strictly based on API and biodata both. For detail guidelines, please log on to website: <http://www.abrf.org.in> [email id: secretary.abrf@gmail.com]

CONFERENCE AWARDS

The Organizing Committee will confer 15 awards to participants during the ICNS-2026:

1. **Best Oral Presentation Award (1st, 2nd, 3rd and 2 consolation)**
2. **Best Poster Presentation Award (1st, 2nd, 3rd and 2 consolation)**
3. **Best Online Presentation Award (1st, 2nd, 3rd and 2 consolation)**

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ACCOMMODATION

Limited accommodation is provided to the ABRF members and Resource Persons only. We humbly request outstation participant to arrange the accommodation/transportation at their own expenses and liberty. However, the organizers will help the participant to search for a comfortable and cost-effective accommodation within Namchi. [Contact Person: **Mr. Pankaj Chaudhary: 7384282555; Mr. Madhukar Singh: 8429356866**].

IMPORTANT DATES

Abstract submission starts: 30th March, 2026
Registration starts: 30th March, 2026
Last date of abstract submission: 30th April, 2026
Conference Dates: 23 May and 24 May, 2026

REGISTRATION FEE

a) Academician/Scientist/Regular Faculty :	Rs. 3000/-
b) Faculty members of SAU/ABRF Life Member:	Rs. 2000/-
c) Scientist/Members of Organizing Institutes:	Rs. 2500/-
d) Guest Faculty/ Ph.D. Research Scholar (with proof):	Rs. 1500/-
e) Accompanying person (no kit and no certificate) :	Rs. 1100/-
f) Online participants (all categories):	Rs. 1000/-

Notes: (1) On spot registration facility is also available with **Rs. 300 extra charges** to above mentioned registration fee. (2) Registration fee includes conference kit, lunch, tea/snacks and participation in all the sessions. (3) The conference kit is not guaranteed for on spot registrations.

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Weather in Namchi, Sikkim

During the month of May, Weather in Namchi, Sikkim is basically a pleasant spring-summer. Days are warm while nights remain cool to cold. Month of May basically begins with occasional rain showers. Participants are kindly advised to bring at least one warm clothes. May month is considered as one of the best month to visit Sikkim before the Monsoon Season which normally starts in June or in the end of May.

How to Reach Namchi, Sikkim

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Nearest Airport: Bagdogra Airport (IXB)

Nearest Railway Station: New Jalpaiguri Railway Station

Nearest Bus Station: Sikkim Nationalised Transport, Siliguri

Distance from Bagdogra Airport (IXB) to Namchi is approximately 103km. From New Jalpaiguri Railway Station, Namchi is approximately 94 km. Those starting from Central Siliguri will find the Sikkim Nationalised Transport (SNT) Terminal. The SNT Terminal is the primary hub for government-run bus services. Schedule SNT buses to Namchi depart twice daily at 8:30 am and 1:30 pm. Shared and private vehicles are also readily available from SNT area. Please note that the shared vehicles typically operate only until 3:30pm towards Namchi.



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