

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT & FORESTS
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EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)

**Notice Inviting Expression of Interest (EOI) for hosting the envisaged
Indian National Institute for Sustainable Forestry & Natural Resources
(INISFNR) at Delhi/NCR.**

The Ministry of Environment and Forests is envisaging an Indian National Institute for Sustainable Forestry and Natural Resources (INISFNR) at Delhi. It will also house an Indian National Forest Documentation Centre (INForDOC) and an Indian National Forest Communication Centre (INForCOM).

The INForDOC is envisaged as a national clearing house and store of documents in different formats, pertaining to forestry & natural resources, especially the annual reports, working plans, occasional reports, and all grey literature, for the reference of the interested public. The INForCOM is seen as a national centre to prepare forest sector reports, bring together different stakeholders in conferences, workshops etc. to exchange information, experience & viewpoints, and most significantly, to communicate the experience & activities of the forest department through all available media in a manner to catch the imagination of youth, academicians, policy makers, bilateral and multilateral agency, and the general informed public all over the world.

The Indian National Institute for Sustainable Forestry and Natural Resources is envisaged as a flat and action-oriented organization, with a CEO, minimal staff for administration and accounts, and minimal technical staff to draw up plans, identify potential participants, edit reports etc. Its research and communications agenda is envisaged to be carried out mainly through fellowships, grants, collaborative partnerships, and workshops, seminars, publications, etc. It will also host a National Academy of Forestry & Natural Resources, which will be a membership-based body to enable participation and build a stake for all interested professionals in the sector.

While a long-term aim would be to have an independent campus, it is proposed, in the first instance, to start the above Institute & Centres in an existing institutional area, including existing universities, academies and other institutions. The principal consideration would be centrality of location in Delhi/NCR, accessibility and familiarity to the public, and potential value-addition by the host institution. A large campus is not a necessary requirement at this stage, but facilities for meetings, scholar residences, space for library and computer facilities would be important.

MOEF invites Expression of Interest (EOI) from Parties who may be interested in providing space and infrastructure, and other support and stakeholdership in the envisaged project, are requested to communicate their interest to the undersigned under appropriate authority within a reasonable period of 3 months.

The detailed EOI notice is posted on the website of MOEF: <http://envfor.nic.in/http:ifs.nic.in/rt> and hard copy of the same is available from the office in the address given here under below.

The EOI shall be submitted in a sealed envelope through Speed Post, Registered Post or delivered by hand super scribing hosting the envisaged **“Indian National Institute for Sustainable Forestry & Natural Resources (INISFNR) at Delhi/NCR”** on top of the envelope to the following address. The submission shall be within 30 days of the publication of this advertisement.

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