

AGENDA



4th Odisha **River** Conference

21-22 March 2024
Angul

**Building socio-economic, ecological and
cultural resilience to climate change.**

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21 - 22 March 2024
Hotel Ashiana Hillview, Angul

DAY 1

INAUGURAL SESSION

9:00 AM: Registration

10:30 AM - 12:00 PM:

- Welcome Address by Swapna Sarangi, FES
- Conference Background & Objectives by Ranjan Panda
- Conferring Odisha Water Honours 2024
- Conferring Youth4Water 'Water & Climate Impact Award 2024'
- Announcing Green Picnic Awards Season 2
- Solidary Chain by Partner Organisations
- Address by Chief Guest Krishna Mohanty, Sarvodaya Leader
- Video Messages from Partners:
 - Prof. Nidhi Nagabhatla, UN University, CRIS, Belgium
 - Abhiir Bhalla, Youth Advisor, Commonwealth Human Ecology Council, UK
- Vote of Thanks by Deepak Pani, Gram Swaraj (Tea in between)

12:00 PM - 1:10 PM:

- **Chair** - Bishakha Bhanja, Chairperson, Conference Organising Committee
- **Key Speaker** - Shubha Sagar Kulkarni, Jeevitnadi, Pune
- **Speakers** - Basudev ji, Sewa Sansthan, Bundelkhand
Dr. Bibhu Nayak, TISS, Hyderabad
- **Open House and Chair Remarks**

TECHNICAL SESSION 1

River Revival,
Issues and
Initiatives

1:10 PM - 2:30 PM: LUNCH BREAK

2:30 PM - 3:30 PM:

- **Chair** - Anurag Gupta, State Head, Water Aid India
- **Key Speaker** - Ardhendu Chatterjee, DRCSC
- **Speakers** - Dr. Mukund Deshmukh, Caritas India
Saroj Mohanty, Researcher & Expert on Farmer Issues
- **Open House and Chair Remarks**

**TECHNICAL
SESSION 2**

**Rivers, Farms,
Food Security
and Agro-
ecological
Initiatives**

**TECHNICAL
SESSION 3**

**Urban Rivers,
Rural Rivers,
their
Connections
with Societies
and Related
Ecosystems**

3:30 PM - 4:45 PM:

- **Chair** - Sneha Mishra, Aaina
- **Key Speaker** - Rahul Sachdeva, National Institute of Urban Affairs (Virtual)
- **Speakers** - Dr. V. R. Haridas, Caritas India
Namrata Kabra, Kubernein Initiative
Dayadra Mandal, Wetlands International South Asia
Dr. Ripin Kalra, Westminster University, UK
- **Open House and Chair Remarks**

4:45 PM - 5:00 PM: HEALTH BREAK

**FREE FLOW
SESSION**

**Film Show,
Youth4Water
Strategy &
Networking**

5:00 PM Onwards:

- Film screening: Black is Blue by Friedrich Ebert Stiftung
- Youth4Water Background and Activities by Ranjan Panda
- Ideas & Strategies Discussion

8:00 PM: Dinner

- Film screening - A film on Ganges by Amrutendu

DAY 2 - WORLD WATER DAY

8:00 AM: RIVER RALLY AT LINGARA RIVER IN COLLABORATION WITH SPANDAN

TECHNICAL SESSION 4

Rivers and Societies – Socio-cultural Relationships as Resilience to Climate Change

11:00 AM - 12:30 PM:

- **Chair** - Manas Mishra
- **Key Speaker** - Anil Dhir, INTACH
- **Video Message** - Prof. Mrinal Chatterjee, IIMC
- **Speakers** - Amrutendu Baral, Film Enthusiast
Vinay, Water For People
Bidyut Mohanty, SPREAD
Youth Representative
- **Open House and Chair Remarks**

(Tea in between)

12:30 PM - 2:00 PM:

- **Chair** - Ghasiram Panda
- **Key Speaker** - Steve Lockett, Mahseer Trust
- **Speakers** - Ashok Biswal, The Nature Conservancy
Ruchismita Jagadev, Annada
Ajit Panda, Water Initiatives
Asish Senapati, Journo
Community Representatives
- **Open House and Chair Remarks**

TECHNICAL SESSION 5

Rivers, Fish, Societies, & Livelihoods – Changing Scenarios & Culinary Talks

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM: LUNCH BREAK

3:00 PM - 4:30 PM:

- **Moderators** - Bikash Pati, Water Aid, Swapnasri, FES, & Ranjan
- **Draft Angul Declaration**
- **Vote of Thanks** - Dron Kumar, FES

CLOSING SESSION

Open House Discussion, Action Plan & Conclusion



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