

Cloud to Springs

NbS Conference 2026

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Subject: Invitation to participate at the Regional Conference on Nature-based Solutions in the Indian Himalayan Region to be held on 29-30 January, 2026 at Shillong, Meghalaya.

Dear Participant,

The Meghalaya Basin Development Authority (MBDA), under the Government of Meghalaya, together with the International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development (ICIMOD), are jointly organizing a **Regional Conference on Nature-based Solutions (NbS)** themed "*Cloud to Springs*" on **29-30 January 2026** at **Courtyard by Marriott Shillong, Meghalaya**.

The Indian Himalayan Region (IHR) is one of the most fragile and climate-sensitive mountain areas, facing growing challenges from land degradation, drying springs, biodiversity loss, floods, and landslides. NbS approaches are playing an increasingly important role in improving climate resilience, strengthening ecosystems, and supporting sustainable livelihoods for mountain communities.

This conference will be including policymakers, practitioners, researchers, and development partners from India and across other Hindu Kush Himalayan (HKH) countries. It will help deepen the mountain NbS agenda, highlight scalable solutions for the IHR, promote exchange of experiences and support the development of a policy and financing pathway for wider NbS adoption.

We request to kindly confirm your participation and in case you are not available, request you to kindly nominate your representative on or before **30 December 2025** via email at **nbsconference7@gmail.com**. It also helps if they can indicate whether they will arrange their own travel and stay or require assistance from the organisers.

With warm regards,

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Commissioner & Secretary,
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