

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE IN MAURITIUS
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether an International Conference on energy, environment and development was held in Mauritius recently;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether India also participated in the said Conference;
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the contribution/presentations made by India in the said Conference; and
- (e) the decisions/resolutions made in the said Conference?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

(a) to (e) : As per the information available in the Ministry, the Third International Congress of Environmental Research (ICER-10) was organized jointly by Journal of Environmental Research and Development (JERAD), Bhopal and the University of Mauritius on September 16-18, 2010 at the University of Mauritius.

The theme of the Conference was Energy, Environment and Development. The main objectives of the Conference were to:

- i. Enhance the knowledge in the field of Environmental Research and Development.
- ii. Form study groups for mapping vulnerable areas in different countries which are prone to natural disasters.
- iii. Present and discuss research papers in various fields of Environment for the betterment of the society.

Around 600 academicians, scientists, industrialists, environmentalists, professors, NGOs and research scholars from around 58 countries participated including 300 from India.