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## Message

*It is heartening to note that Kerala Forest and Wildlife Department organized a National Workshop on global warming in collaboration with Kerala Forest Research Institute, Departments of Environment, Power & Industries and Kerala State Council for Science, Technology and Environment. A better understanding of the factors by the stakeholders which can be acted upon for minimizing the negative impacts of global warming can go a long way in working on the sustainable development strategy for the country in general and for the state in particular.*

*It is essential that the international and national views on the response to global warming are understood, deliberated and further response to global warming are understood, deliberated and further reinforced with locally relevant enforceable action points so that a synergetic development strategy is evolved together. The workshop has provided initial understanding of the issues and a direction towards some important areas of action at state and society levels in this context.*

*I congratulate the Department of Forests and Wildlife for taking this commendable effort. I am sure the proceedings of the workshop will prove to be a useful resource for academicians, planners as well as decision makers at government and civil society sectors apart from the scientific community.*

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