

CONCEPT NOTE

Financing Nature-Based Solutions: Corporate Partnerships for Forest Landscape Restoration

An Interactive Corporate Roundtable under the Indo-German
RECAP4NDC Initiative | One Purpose India Forum 2026

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 27 October 2026  2:45-3:45 PM

 Hotel Pullman, Aerocity, Delhi



Background

India has committed to restoring 26 million hectares of degraded land by 2030 under its Land Degradation Neutrality (LDN) ambition, alongside its Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) target of creating an additional carbon sink of 2.5–3 billion tonnes of CO₂ equivalent through enhanced forest and tree cover. Achieving these ambitious targets requires collaborative efforts and innovative financing mechanisms that mobilise resources beyond conventional public funding.

The **Restore, Conserve and Protect Forest and Tree Cover for NDC Implementation in India (RECAP4NDC)** project is an Indo-German bilateral technical cooperation initiative commissioned by the German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Nuclear Safety and Consumer Protection (BMUV). Implemented by a consortium led by GIZ, in collaboration with IUCN, TERI, FSI, ICFRE and ICIMOD, the project aims to contribute to the restoration of **0.4 million hectares of degraded forest and non-forest land across Uttarakhand, Maharashtra, Gujarat and Delhi NCR by 2029**.

About the Roundtable

TERI and CSRBOX will be convening a **Corporate Financing Roundtable** to connect corporate investment priorities with identified Forest Landscape Restoration (FLR) and Nature-based Solutions (NbS) opportunities under RECAP4NDC.

The roundtable will provide corporate representatives with an overview of **priority investment locations, potential restoration and livelihood interventions, indicative financing requirements and possible implementation partnerships**. It will also offer a platform for direct engagement with project partners to explore how corporate funding can support measurable ecological and socioeconomic outcomes.

What Can Corporates Expect?

The interactive session will enable participating corporates to:

Explore investment opportunities: Identify priority RECAP4NDC geographies and potential FLR, NbS and community livelihood interventions aligned with CSR priorities.

Understand financing requirements: Discuss the scale of investment, funding duration, potential beneficiaries and expected environmental and social outcomes.

Identify partnership models: Explore collaboration opportunities with project partners, government institutions, implementing agencies and local communities.

Engage in a World Café discussion: Share corporate funding interests, preferred locations, investment approaches and implementation challenges.

Explore actionable partnerships: Identify areas of mutual interest and potential next steps for developing location-specific financing proposals.

Expected Outcomes

The roundtable seeks to **bridge the gap between corporate financing priorities and on-ground restoration needs** by identifying potential investment opportunities, aligning corporate interests with priority project locations and initiating partnerships for financing and implementing FLR and NbS interventions.

Through this engagement, participants will gain a clearer understanding of **where to invest, what interventions to support, the indicative level of investment required and how to collaborate** to advance India's restoration and climate commitments.

Agenda

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Moderator: Saurab Babu, GIZ India
Arundhati Tewari, CSRBOX

Time	Duration	Session / Focus
2:45–2:50 PM	5 min	Welcome and Setting the Context: Role of corporate financing in translating landscape restoration priorities into on-ground action.
2:50–3:05 PM	15 min	Private Investment Opportunities in Forest Landscape Restoration (FLR) and Nature-based Solutions (NbS): Priority locations, restoration interventions, financing requirements, and potential collaboration models, governance structure and measurable impact outcomes
3:05–3:30 PM	25 min	World Café: Interactive Corporate Financing Discussion on corporate investment priorities, preferred geographies, restoration interventions, financing modalities and implementation challenges
3:30–3:40 PM	10 min	Discussion and Feedback Open dialogue on investment interests, potential collaborations and actionable next steps.
3:40 –3:45 PM	5 min	Closing Remarks Summary of key outcomes and proposed follow-up engagements.