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Biodiversity

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Abstract

Biodiversity is the variability among living organisms, including genetic and structural difference between individual and within and between individual and within and between species. Biodiversity plays a direct role in climate regulation. Biodiversity conservation will lead to strengthening of ecosystem resilience and will improve the ability of ecosystem to provide important services during increasing climate pressures.

This review basically focuses on the importance of biodiversity, the consequences faced by the plants, animals, humans and ecosystem owing to the global warming and climate change and the possible mitigation and adaptation strategies in terms of biodiversity conservation which can protect the planet from the consequences of climate change.

Keywords: Biodiversity, Ecology

Introduction

For much of the time man lived in a hunter-gather society and thus depended entirely on biodiversity for sustenance. But, with the increased dependence on agriculture and industrialization, the emphasis on biodiversity has decreased. Indeed, the biodiversity, in wild and domesticated forms, is the source for most of humanity, food, medicine, clothing and housing, much of the cultural diversity and most of the intellectual and spiritual inspiration. It is, without doubt, the very basis of life. Further that, a quarter of the earth's total biological diversity amounting to 1.7 million species, which might be useful to mankind in one way or other, would be in serious risk of existence over the next 2-3 decades. On realization that the erosion of biodiversity may threaten the very existence of life has awakened man to take steps to conserve it. In this paper, the overview of biodiversity status of India, its importance, threats to it and various approaches for biodiversity conservation, action plan and current status have been discuss.

Importance of Biodiversity

1) The Benefits Of Biodiversity To Mankind Are

Ecological role of biodiversity all species provide some kind of function to an ecosystem. They capture and store energy, produce organic material, decompose organic material, help to recycle water and nutrients through the system, control erosion or pests, fix atmospheric gases, and help regulate climate. These physical and chemical processes are important for ecosystem function and human survival.

