



**SAVE THE WESTERN GHATS  
CONCLAVE 2012  
'PRACTITIONERS'  
CONCLAVE'**

**REJUVENATING CIVIL SOCIETY**

**(A SESSION FOCUSING ON SHARING OF KNOWLEDGE AND NETORKING AMONG  
THE CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS)**

**SLOT: 10:30 AM TO 12:30 AM DAY 2**

**FORMAT: INTERACTIVE ROUNDTABLE/WORKSHOP**

At the heart of the Practitioners' Conclave lies the idea of enabling the civil society to join hands and fight for the cause of the Western Ghats. The biodiversity hotspot is spread over 6 states which have different languages, cultures and issues. Similarly, there are different successes and failures with respect to Environmental activism in each of these areas. But, within all these diversities, there is the common goal to conserve and protect the environment and guarantee a better life for the people who are dependent on the Western Ghats. This session focuses on this goal and translating it into something more concrete and attainable. This workshop will help civil society members working across states and across issues to converge at one platform and share their experiences, successes and failures. This networking exercise is an attempt to reinstill the vigor in civil society activism by strengthening ties, building new ones and amending disjunctures. This session would provide a concrete base to make new allies and friends who are as supportive of your cause and with whose help the idea, your aims move closer towards fulfillment. This is the forum where theories can translate into practice and where practice can perpetuate into success.