



Kerala Forest Research Institute scientist selected to Food and Agriculture Organization body

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KOCHI: The ministry of environment, forest and climate change (MoEFCC), Government of India, has nominated Dr T V Sajeev, senior principal scientist, Kerala Forest Research Institute (KFRI) as the national focal point for the Asia-Pacific Forest Invasive Species Network (APFISN).

Asia Pacific Forest Invasive Species Network is a network of 33 member countries in the Asia-Pacific Forestry Commission, which is a statutory body of the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations.

The focal point is entrusted to provide technical support in managing biological invasions in the Asia-Pacific region and to help develop policy directives for the country.

Sajeev currently coordinates the Nodal Centre for Biological Invasions at KFRI. He had been active in developing the management strategies regarding the invasion of the Giant African Snail and the Red-eared Slider Turtle which came to India from Africa and Mexico respectively and caused both economic and ecological impacts. He is a member of the expert panel on biological invasions of the National Biodiversity Authority.

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