



WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY 2011

FORESTS: NATURE AT YOUR SERVICE

5th June is World Environment Day. On this day, the United Nations seeks to focus world attention on the environment and recognise positive environmental programs and initiatives. The year 2011 has been declared as the International Year of Forests by the United Nations. The World Environment Day this year will reinforce this global concern with the official tagline – *“Forests: Nature at Your Service”*. It underscores the intrinsic link between quality of life and the health of forests and forest ecosystems.

To mark this important event, the Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development is organizing a National exhibition at Grand Baie International Conference Centre from 6th June 2011 to 11th June 2011 from 09:00 to 17:00 hrs.

The launching ceremony will be held on the 6th of June at 10:00 hrs and will be preceded by a march at 9:00 hrs, to kick start the concept of **“Zero Plastic”**, to showcase our objective to make Mauritius a plastic free island.

The exhibition will regroup a wide range of exhibits from various organizations of the private and public sector under themes of Maurice Ile Durable, Recycling, Environmentally safe products, Clean Fuel, Agricultural and Science related service providers and Food Security.

The general public is therefore invited to visit this exhibition and to participate to the march, to discover the different facets of our environment and to demonstrate our desire to make Mauritius a sustainable island.