

BALIPARA FOUNDATION

Assam • India

RELEASE OF BOOK

“REFLECTIONS ON MANAGING WATER, EARTH’S GREATEST NATURAL RESOURCE”

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Instituted on the 4th of July 2007, the Balipara Foundation has been a leading advocate of the principles of **Naturenomics™**, both in theory and in practice. The **Naturenomics™** model seeks to bring the objectives of economics in line with the imperatives of nature. Located in the state of Assam, North Eastern Region of India, and being part of the Indo-Myanmar Biodiversity Hotspot, the location has inspired its vision of creating a Biodiversity Knowledge Bank.

India, known for its water resources, traditional systems of water conservation, supply management, reverence and celebration of water is unfortunately suffering from misuse of water.

Keeping the same in mind, Balipara Tract & Frontier Foundation is releasing its next publication in the series of **Naturenomics™ 5.0** entitled **“Reflections on Managing WATER, Earth’s Greatest Resource”**. **The Honorable Chief Minister, Shri Tarun Gogoi has consented to be the Chief Guest and formally release the book** in the presence of Shri R.K. Krishna Kumar, Trustee TATA Sons, Shri Jitesh Khosla, Honorable Chief Secretary, Govt. of Assam, Dr. Drubajyoti Saikia, Vice Chancellor, Cotton College State University & Professor Gautam Barua, Mentor Director IIIT Guwahati.

The book begins with a look at global water resources, and then focuses on India, deep-diving into India’s water resources, its celebration, use and abuse of water, legal aspects and the linkage of water with nature. Citing global and national initiatives from all water users and those who respect water, the book cites concrete and viable solutions for creating water abundance.

The highlight of the book is its optimism. Most importantly, it calls for a new way of water thinking and innovation so that water is available for all, everywhere and always.