

## **Climate Change and Natural Disasters: An Indian Perspective**

The lecture was delivered by Prof K N Ninan on 24<sup>th</sup> March 2023 from 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM in the MAGIS Block Conference Room on the 2nd Floor. Dr Ninan's research has been focused on the economics and institutional aspects of biodiversity conservation in the forests of the Western Ghats.

In his talk, while providing enriching data to support his claim, Dr Ninan pointed out that Climate Change is increasing the frequency and intensity of Natural Disasters such as hurricanes, droughts, wildfires, etc.

Climate change was contributing directly to natural disasters as rising temperatures were bringing about extreme weather events that have devastating impacts on human communities, economics, and natural ecosystems.

Also, factors like increasing temperature were leading to melting snowcaps, rising sea levels, changes in precipitation, intensifying hurricanes, etc.

The talk was indeed timely and it is imperative to think about these long-term effects.