



CONVENTION ON WETLANDS
CONVENTION SUR LES ZONES HUMIDES
CONVENCIÓN SOBRE LOS HUMEDALES
(Ramsar, Iran, 1971)

From the Secretary General

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Dear Dr Pattnaik,

Thanks to your warm hospitality and to the excellent organization, my visit to Chilika has been a wonderful and worthwhile experience.

I have learnt much and I have been extremely impressed by the demonstration of restoration of a complex and large wetland that you have achieved. Please also thank, on my behalf, your staff and in particular your wonderful team of dedicated scientists.

The meetings that were organized with key officials and local communities were very informative. I was also very impressed by the training given in schools on wetlands values and functions and by the sustainable approach taken to the development of tourism.

Finally, I would like to express my appreciation for your personal engagement and for your warm welcome. I look forward to hearing further news of the Chilika success story.

Yours sincerely,

Anada Tiéga