

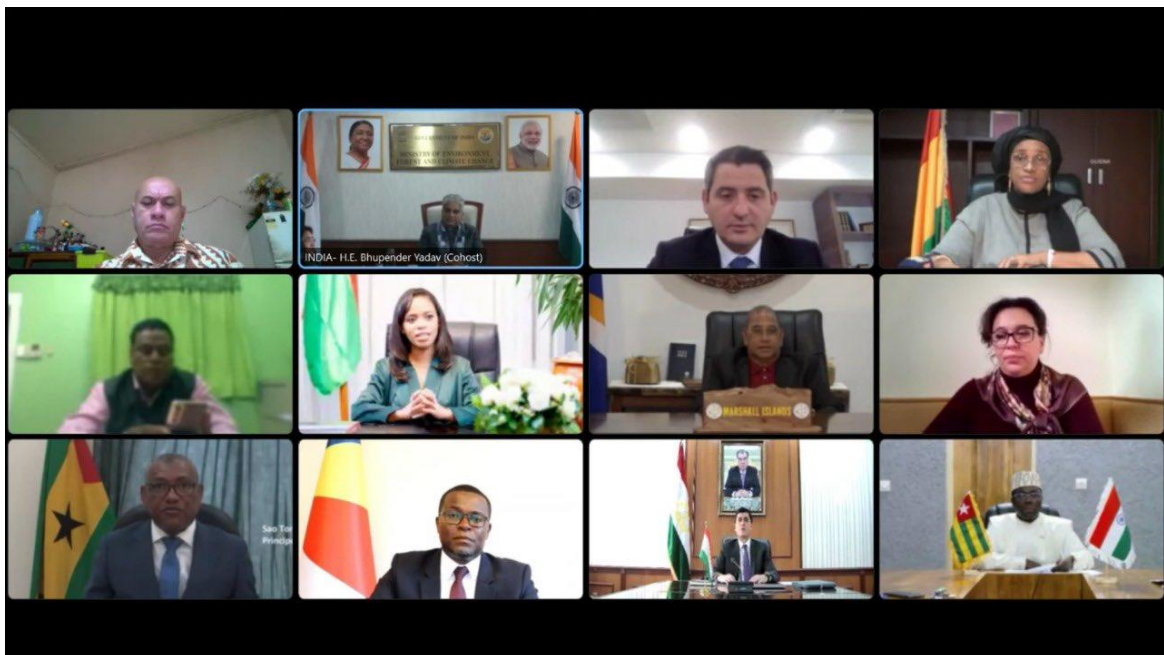
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**PRESS RELEASE**

**Participation of Seychelles in the Voice of Global South Summit**


Minister of Agriculture, Environment and Climate Change of Seychelles, H.E. Mr Flavien Joubert represented Seychelles in the Environment Ministers' Session of the "Voice of Global South Summit" held virtually on 12 January 2023.

2. Minister Joubert took part in the Session with the theme "Balancing Growth with Environment Friendly Lifestyles (LiFE)" through video message. In addition to India and Seychelles, Environment Ministers of 13 other countries participated in this Session.

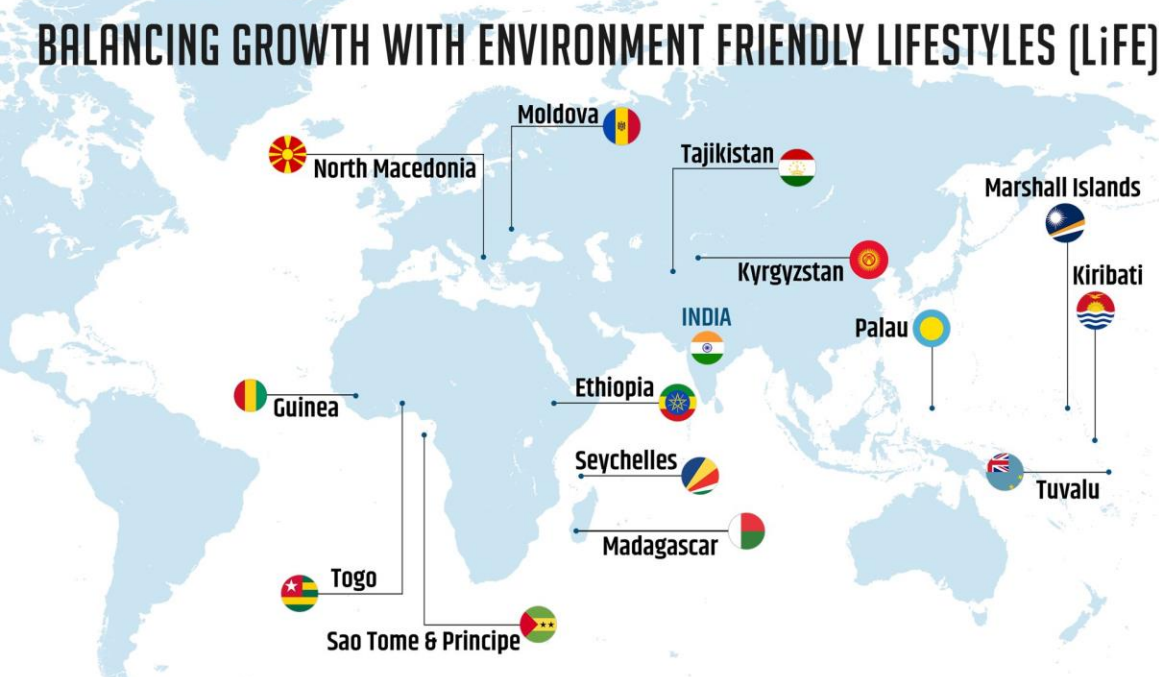


3. Elucidating the challenges faced by Small Island Development States in general and Seychelles in particular, and highlighting that environmental consciousness will always remain synonymous with Seychelles, Minister Joubert emphasized the need for greater solidarity and serious commitments towards sustainable solutions and future.







# ENVIRONMENT MINISTERS' SESSION



## BALANCING GROWTH WITH ENVIRONMENT FRIENDLY LIFESTYLES (LiFE)



Map callouts include: North Macedonia, Moldova, Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan, Marshall Islands, Kiribati, Palau, Tuvalu, INDIA, Ethiopia, Seychelles, Madagascar, Guinea, Togo, and Sao Tome & Principe.

 <p>Achieving sustainable development</p>	 <p>Balancing growth with climate action</p>	 <p>Priorities of climate vulnerable countries</p>
 <p>Bringing back traditional climate sensitive practices</p>	 <p>HADR initiatives &amp; institutions for climate resilience</p>	 <p>Implementing LiFE and Initiative for Resilient Island States</p>

4. Earlier, the Summit, being held on 12-13 January in virtual format with participation of more than 120 countries, was inaugurated by the H.E. Shri Narendra Modi, Prime Minister of India, who conveyed that as India began its G-20 Presidency this year, it was natural that India's aim is to amplify the Voice of the Global South. To re-energize the world, PM Modi gave a call for a global agenda of:

(a) Respond: to the priorities of Global South by framing an inclusive and balanced international agenda;

(b) Recognize: that the principle of 'Common but Differentiated Responsibilities' applies to all global challenges;

(c) Respect: Sovereignty of all nations, rule of law and peaceful resolution of all differences and disputes;

(d) Reform: international institutions, including the United Nations, to make them more relevant.



5. India and Seychelles enjoy warm and cordial relations and India will will work to ensure that the valuable inputs generated from Seychelles and other partner countries, in the Voice of Global South Summit deliberations receive due cognizance globally.



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**12 January 2023**  
**Victoria**