

TERI to host DSD summit from Feb 2

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THE Energy and Resources Institute (TERI) will host Delhi Sustainable Development Summit here from february 2.

The three-day event focuses on 'working towards global sustainable development, creating innovative solutions for a better tomorrow.'

Talking to reporters here on Monday RK Pachauri director general, TERI, said, "the DSDS has clearly evolved as the most important gathering of leaders from all over the world and from every profession - including government, business and industry, research and academia and civil society - that focuses on the challenge of attaining sustainable development worldwide." In its twelfth edition DSDS will focus on the theme, 'Protecting the Global Commons: 20 Years Post Rio'.

Set to be inaugurated by Prime Minister Manmohan

Singh, DSDS 2012 will be the first important meeting of global leaders preceding the June 2012, Rio+20 Summit, Pachauri said.

The June 2012 Summit marks twenty years of the 1992 Earth Summit which will witness leaders of the world come together to deliberate and devise a plan for a sustainable future. The dignitaries who will be at the summit include Tarja Halonen, President, Finland, Anote Tong, president, Kiribati, James Alix Michel, President, Seychelles, Bharrat Jagdeo, Former President, Guyana, Gro Harlem Brundt and, Former Prime Minister of Norway and Member of the UN secretary general's Global Sustainability Panel, Norway, Arnold Schwarzenegger, Founding Chair, R20 - Regions of Climate Change & Former Governor, California, USA, Farooq Abdullah, Union Minister, Ministry of New and Renewable Energy, Jayanthi Natarajan, Minister of State (I/C) for Environment and Forests, Sheila Dikshit, Chief Minister of NCT of Delhi among others.