President Joko Widodo officially opens the 10th World Water Forum at the Bali International Convention Centre (BICC) on Monday, 20th May 2024. He welcomed world leaders to Bali and emphasized the forum as a platform to revitalize real action and collective commitment to water by sharing knowledge and promoting innovation.

At the opening ceremony of the 10th World Water Forum on Monday, Loic Fauchon, President of the World Water Council, expressed that Indonesia’s actions must be replicated by all countries. He emphasized that being good messengers is not enough; everyone must do more to ensure the protection and preservation of water for peace and prosperity.

“Messengers, yes of course, but also fighters and above all warriors. Be water warriors together,” he stated.

The outcomes through ministerial decision-makers will help to build capacity, foster collaboration, and promote effective water governance at national and international levels.

The 10th World Water Forum set an agenda for action as heads of state advocated for partnership building, influencing policy, and committing to action.

The opening day of the forum included a series of thematic sessions and high-level panels that focused on various subjects, including key sub-themes pertaining to financing, climate resilience, and renewable energy. Two special sessions were also organized, focusing mainly on the national water roadmap towards the 2030 agenda. These sessions will serve as a medium for deliberations to exchange perspectives.

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After participating in the 10th World Water Forum High Level Conference at the Bali International Convention Center, President Joko Widodo invited heads of state and their envoys to visit the Ngurah Rai Grand Forest Park (Tahura) in Bali on May 20, 2024. Tahura, a mangrove forest rehabilitation and conservation area, exemplifies the Balinese principle of Tri Hita Karana, promoting harmony between God, humans, and nature. The facility, equipped with solar panels from the Cirata project, supports mangrove conservation. President Jokowi highlighted the carbon-absorbing potential of mangroves and demonstrated seedling care, underscoring the importance of global cooperation for environmental sustainability.

Bali opened its doors to parliamentarians who will share their best practices and policy suggestions, including experiences in producing legal frameworks for water and sanitation management, prioritizing water in budget discussions, and networking and partnership building.

**HIGHLIGHTS OF THE OPENING DAY**

**DISCUSSIONS & DELIBERATIONS**

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**LEADER’S VISIT TO TAHURA**

Come meet us and know what went behind the planning of the 10th World Water Forum.

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