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SMALL ISLAND STATES

Nitin Desai, United Nations Under-Secretary-General for Policy Coordination and Sustainable Development, highlights the economic difficulties facing small island states. Mr. Desai believes that any plans for sustainable development in these nations must take into account their fragile ecologies. A programme of action is being worked out to be adopted at next year's Global Conference on the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States. Mr. Desai also calls for more economic cooperation among the islands themselves.

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