The South Asian Network for Development and Environmental Economics (SANDEE) is organizing a three-day workshop on Program Evaluation from December 4th to 6th, 2014 in Kathmandu, Nepal. This course is targeted to researchers who are working on SANDEE funded studies related to environment and development economics. The course will introduce theories as well as practical strategies for undertaking impact evaluation of natural resource and environmental programs. It will identify key issues in program evaluation and addresses methodological possibilities for drawing causal inferences as they are used in resource and environmental economics.

Evaluation of programs, be it before programs and projects are designed or after they are implemented, are increasingly viewed as a critical for learning about what works and what does not, and raising overall accountability in public policy. Unfortunately, resource and environmental economists have little or no training or guidance on how to conduct such evaluations using sound and rigorous empirical methods. This short course will expose participants to impact evaluation of programs, projects and policies (using econometrics) in the environment and development economics arena.

This course is targeted to the current SANDEE researchers who have been working on SANDEE funded research projects in environmental and resource economics. Eligible candidates are requested to email an application with a short letter of interest explaining the relevance of this workshop his/her research and teaching to Anuradha Kafle (anuradhak@sandeeonline.org) no later than October 30th, 2014.