

Programme agenda

Day I: 30 July 2019, Tuesday

Time	Activities
09:30 – 10:30	Registration
10:30 – 11:30	<p>Opening session</p> <p>Nishikant Gupta, ICIMOD</p> <p>On the dais:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rash Bihari Prasad Singh, Vice Chancellor, Patna University, Bihar• Sanjeev Bhuchar, International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development (ICIMOD), Kathmandu, Nepal• Tushar Kanti Das, DRR Head, Plan India• Praveena Sridhar, Frank Water, United Kingdom• Dinesh Mishra, National Expert on Rivers of Bihar, India• Dushyant Mohil, Wetlands International South Asia <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Welcoming of dignitaries: Sanjay Pandey, Bihar Inter Agency Group, Bihar2. Lighting of the lamp: Rash Bihari Prasad Singh, Vice Chancellor, Patna University, Bihar and other dignitaries3. Objectives of the Koshi DRR Knowledge Hub Country Consultation: Kanchan Shrestha, ICIMOD4. Address by the dignitaries
11:30 – 12:00	<i>Tea/coffee break</i>
12:00 – 13:00	<p>Technical session I (A): Understanding the issues and challenges of the Koshi River basin</p> <p>Chairperson: Anil Sinha, Ex. VC, BSDMA, Bihar</p> <p>Moderator: Abhijit Mukherjee, State Manager - Bihar, Plan International</p> <p>Opening remarks by chairperson</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Climate change, floods and sedimentation in the Koshi River basin –Santosh Nepal, ICIMOD, Kathmandu, Nepal2. Floods in Koshi basin: past and present –Dinesh Mishra, Bihar3. Making the elephant dance- making IWRM work –Praveena Sridhar, Frank Water, United Kingdom <p>Q and A</p> <p>Closing remarks by chairperson</p>
13:00 – 14:00	<p>Technical session I (B): Understanding the issues and challenges of the Koshi River basin</p> <p>Chairperson: Rafay Eajaz Hussain, State Head, Save the Children</p> <p>Moderator: Abhijit Mukherjee, State Manager – Bihar, Plan International</p> <p>Opening remarks by chairperson</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Building community resilience –Banku Bihari Sarkar, UNICEF-DRR, Bihar2. Children in emergency in the Koshi basin –Tushar Kanti Das, DRR Head, Plan India3. Measures for a flood resilient urban settlement –Ravi Prakash, SDO, Forbesganj, Bihar <p>Q&A</p> <p>Closing remarks by chairperson</p>
14:00 – 15:00	<i>Lunch</i>

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15:00 – 16:00	<p>Technical session II: Strengthening coordination and collaboration among transboundary development agencies</p> <p>Chairperson: Ranjana Das, State Manager – Bihar, Oxfam</p> <p>Facilitator: Sanjay Pandey, Convenor, BIAG, Patna, Bihar</p> <p>Opening remarks by chairperson</p> <p>Panelists</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Babul Prasad, Chairperson, Mission DRR, Bihar 2. Kapileshwar Ram, Chairman, Dalit Adhikar Manch, Bihar 3. Ranjeev, Convenor, Nadi Wapasi Abhiyan, Bihar 4. Raju Thapa, DPNet, Kathmandu, Nepal <p>Q and A</p> <p>Closing remarks by chairperson</p>
16:00 – 18:00	<p>Technical session III: Improving upstream-downstream cooperation for cross-border floods and resilience building</p> <p>Chairperson: P.N. Raj, Member, BSDMA, Patna, Bihar</p> <p>Moderator: Neera Shrestha Pradhan, Nishikant Gupta (ICIMOD)</p> <p>Opening remarks by chairperson</p> <p>Setting the stage on Community Based Flood Early Warning System: Presentation by Neera Shrestha Pradhan, ICIMOD (10 min)</p> <p>Panel discussion</p> <p>Guided questions to the panelists</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Based on your experience, what are the major challenges and opportunities in community based flood risk reduction and resilience building from the perspective of strengthening upstream and downstream (cross-border) cooperation? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Community Panel <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mahendra Karki, Caretaker, Bardibas, Nepal • Ranjeet K. Jha, Caretaker, Bhitamora, India 2. NGO Panel <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deepak Jha, Sabal Nepal 3. Government Panel <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kamini Jha, Member, Zila Parishad, Sitamarhi, Bihar • Satish Kumar Singh, Mayor, Tilathi Kolathi, Nepal <p>Floor open for discussion (15 min)</p> <p>Key discussion points</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Share your experience in your group on how do we address the above mentioned challenges and cash the opportunities for scaling up and scaling out for upstream-downstream cooperation on community based flood risk reduction and resilience building 2. List at least 3 key priority strategies for upstream and downstream cooperation for community based flood early warning system <p>Summary of the session and closing by the session Chairperson</p>

Day II: 31 July 2019, Wednesday

Venue: Gyan Bhawan, Samrat Ashok Convention Kendra, First Floor, Room No. 1

Time	Activities
10:00 – 10:15	Summary of Day 1 and overview of Day 2
10:15 – 11:45	Technical session IV (A): Transboundary interactions and sustainable actions towards a resilient Koshi Chairperson: U.K. Mishra, BSDMA, Patna, Bihar Moderator: Sanjeev Bhuchar, ICIMOD, Kathmandu, Nepal Opening remarks by chairperson <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Flood hazard assessment of Koshi River Basin – Atul Aditya Pandey, Patna University, Bihar2. Real time flood information system – Maulik Jagnani, Yale University, United States of America3. Water discourse on Koshi Basin – Rakesh Tiwary, ANSISS, Patna Q and A Closing remarks by chairperson
11:45 – 13:00	Technical session IV (B): Transboundary interactions and sustainable actions towards a resilient Koshi Chairperson: Tushar Kanti Das, DRR Head, Plan India Moderator: Ghanshyam Mishra, UNICEF Opening remarks by chairperson <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Gender and disaster – Ranjana Das, State Manager – Bihar, Oxfam2. Mitigating unsafe migration and human trafficking through creation of local employment opportunities – Keerti K., Caritas Swiss3. Transboundary cooperation between Nepal and India – Sanjay Pandey, Yuganter, Bihar4. Disaster resilient habitat – a dire need across flood typologies – Eklavya Prasad, Megh Pyne Abhiyan, India Q and A Closing remarks by chairperson
13:00 – 14:00	<i>Lunch</i>
14:00 – 15:00	Technical session IV: Role of media in reaching out to the unreached in creating a resilient Koshi River basin Panel discussion Facilitator: Shri Kulbhushan Gopal, Senior Journalist, News18, Bihar <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Times of India – Abhay Singh, Senior Journalist2. Hindustan – Sanjay Kumar, Senior Journalist3. Dainik Jagran – Md. S.A. Shad, Senior Journalist4. News18 – Prabhakar Kumar, Editor5. Times Now – S.S. Susobhit, Bureau Chief6. ETV Bharat – Praveen Bagi, Bureau Chief7. India TV – Prashant Jha, Bureau Chief

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15:00 – 17:00	<p>Koshi DRR Knowledge Hub (KDKH) – country chapters and transboundary working groups (working tea)</p> <p>Moderator: Kanchan Shrestha</p> <p>Presentation: Overview of the Koshi DRR Knowledge Hub and role of its stakeholders (10 min)</p> <p>Group work (40 min discussion for 4 questions in each group)</p> <p>Key group discussion questions</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forming of country chapter and its operational mechanism 2. Possible roles of country chapter and its challenges 3. Inputs on existing transboundary working group and how can it be further strengthened 4. Suggestions to further improve the hub network and its regional impact <p>Plenary presentation by each group (5 min each)</p> <p>Plenary discussion on country chapter formation (15 min)</p> <p>Summary of the session and closing by the Chairperson (10 min)</p> <p>Facilitators: Santosh Raj Pathak and Nishikant Gupta, ICIMOD, Kathmandu, Nepal</p>
17:00 – 18:00	<p>Valedictory session</p> <p>On the dais</p> <p>Minister, Disaster Management Department, Government of Bihar</p> <p>P.N. Rai, Member, Bihar State Disaster Management Authority (BSDMA), Bihar</p> <p>Uday Kant Mishra, Member, Bihar State Disaster Management Authority (BSDMA), Bihar</p> <p>Vyas Ji, Vice Chairman, Bihar State Disaster Management Authority (BSDMA);</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summarization of the Koshi DRR Knowledge Hub (KDKH) Country Consultation – Kanchan Shrestha, ICIMOD, Kathmandu, Nepal • Address by P.N. Rai, Member, BSDMA, Bihar • Address by Uday Kant Mishra, Member, BSDMA, Bihar • Way forward by Vyas Ji, Vice Chairman, BSDMA, Government of Bihar • Valedictory speech by Minister Shri Lakshmeshwar Roy, Disaster Management Department, Government of Bihar • Facilitated by Madhubala Ji, BSDMA, Bihar Group photograph • Vote of thanks - Ajit Kumar Samaiyar, Senior Advisor, BSDMA, Bihar
18:00 onwards	<p>Bag and memento distribution to participants</p> <p>Departure of participants</p>