

46th Biannual research and training workshop

9–12 December 2023 | Dhulikhel, Nepal

Day 0	Arrivals & Registration		
8 December 2023, Friday	Upon arrival	Researchers work on slides/reports and meet resource person based on availability	
	19:00 onwards	Dinner	
Day 1	Progress Report Presentations		
9 December 2023, Saturday	9:00 – 9:30	Introductions	
	9:30 – 17:40	Progress Report Presentations (parallel sessions)	
Day 2	New Proposal Presentations		
10 December 2023, Sunday	9:00 – 10:00	Plenary Talk: The history and future of environmental economics capacity building in the Global South – the case of EfD Gunnar Köhlin , Professor and Director, Environment for Development (EfD), University of Gothenburg	
	10:00 – 17:30	Proposal presentations by new researchers	
Day 3	Keynote Speech + SANDEE Steering Committee (SC) Meeting + Educational Visit		
11 December 2023, Monday	9:00 – 9:30	Registration: Manashree Newa , Programme Associate, SANDEE and Mona Sharma , Communications Officer	
	9:30 – 9:40	Program Introduction: Mani Nepal , Programme Coordinator, SANDEE	
	9:40 – 10:00	Welcome Address: Pema Gyamtsho , Director General, ICIMOD	
	10:00 – 11:30	SANDEE–ICIMOD Karl-Göran Mäler Memorial Lecture (Winter 2023)	
		Speaker 1: Jampel Dell’Angelo , Associate Professor of Water Governance & Politics, IVM – VU Amsterdam Title: War and Commons Grabbing	
	Speaker 2: Soumya Balasubramanya , Senior Economist, The World Bank Title: Solar irrigation in Nepal: Equity in energy access and implications for fossil fuel use		
	11:30 – 11:50	Group Photo/Tea Break	
	11:50 – 12:45	Panel Discussion: Learning from ICIMOD-SANDEE collaborations	
	12:45– 13:30	Lunch	
	13:30 – 17:00	Educational visit to Living Mountain Lab Visit (RnT Participants)	
14:00 – 17:00	SANDEE Steering Committee Meeting (SC Members Only)		
17:15 – 19:00	Networking Reception (reception dinner at ICIMOD Lawn)		
Day 4	One-on-one Discussion		
12 December 2023, Tuesday	9:00 – 16:00	One-on-one mentoring/discussion (Researchers and Advisors)	
	16:30 – 19:30	Advisors Meeting	
Day 5	Departures		
13 December 2023, Wednesday	All Day	Departures	

List of researchers of the ongoing project

Sn	Name of Researcher	Research Title
Researcher 1	Aslesh Shrestha	Improved access to clean energy and its impact on climate change vulnerability for rural households in Nepal.
Researcher 2	Charisma Lepcha	Organic farmers as green entrepreneurs: exploring the impact of FPOs on organic cultivation in Sikkim, Northeast India.
Researcher 3	Chogyel Wangmo	Environment and socio-economic impacts of non-wood forest product utilization in Punakha-Wangdue-Tsirang watershed.
Researcher 4	Heena Gaude	Tradeoff between NDC and SDG targets for India: a macro analysis of carbon sequestration and luminosity between 1992-2018.
Researcher 5	Karma Yoezer	Enhancing resilience of smallholder farmers to climate change through adoption of climate-smart agriculture: evidence from Bhutan.
Researcher 6	Md. Hafiz Iqbal	Exploring farmers' preferences towards crop farming with low-emission cultivation practices in Bangladesh.
Researcher 7	Md. Sadique Rahman	Understanding farmers' incentives to adopt short duration rice variety in flash flood prone Haor (freshwater wetland) ecosystem in Bangladesh.
Researcher 8	Mohanasundari Thangavel	Estimating economic losses and damages of NTFPs caused by forest fire in Hoshangabad forest division, Madhya Pradesh, India.
Researcher 9	Rishi Kumar	The co-benefits of expanding water supply in urban India – Evidence from a quasi-experiment.
Researcher 10	Saheli Bose	Behavioural responses and the impact of environmental knowledge of ponds: Evidence from field experiment in India.
Researcher 11	Santosh Adhikari	Roads, land-use patterns, landslides and agriculture: Evidence from Nepal.
Researcher 12	Shreya Bajimaya	Making an economic case for ecosystem-based adaptation for flood risk management.
Researcher 13	Sowmya Dhanaraj	Productivity co-benefits of energy saving technology.
Researcher 14	Zin Nwe Win	Women's bargaining power and energy consumption in Myanmar's dry zone.

List of researchers for proposal defence

Sn	Name of Researcher	Research Title
Researcher 1	Imran Khan	Breaking barriers: role of gender diversity on boards in promoting sustainability in Bangladesh's textile industry.
Researcher 2	Susmita Dutta	Economic impact of vehicular air pollution on staple crop.
Researcher 3	Biswajit Patra	Sustainability and resilient livelihoods and climate change: Vindhyan mountain range of Central India.

Researcher 4	Shilpa Sharma	Economic impact of climate change on pastoralists in North-western Himalayas: a case of Indian Himalayan Region.
Researcher 5	Shovana Maharjan	Determinants of transition towards electric cooking as primary mode of cooking behaviour.
Researcher 6	Rafi Amir-ud-Din	Developing incentive mechanisms for mountain ecosystem restoration: insights from Chilgoza pine forests in Pakistan.
Researcher 7	VPI Sandamali Wijeratne (online)	The economics of sand mining.

Current researchers for progress presentations and the discussants

S.N.	Grantees	Advisor	Discussant 1	Discussant 2	Discussant 3
1	Aslesh Shrestha	Subhrendu Pattanayak	François Libois	Mani Nepal	Zin Nwe Win
2	Charisma Lepcha	AK Enamul Haque	Sheetal Sekhri/Surendra Raj Joshi	Heman Das Lohano	Hafiz Iqbal
3	Chogyel Wangmo	François Libois	AK Enamul Haque	Atonu Rabbani	Mohanasundari Thangavel
4	Heena Gaude	François Libois	Subhrendu Pattanayak	Kabir Uddin	Santosh Adhikari
5	Karma Yoezer	Sheetal Sekhri	AK Enamul Haque	Surendra Raj Joshi	Shreya Bajimaya
6	Md. Hafiz Iqbal	AK Enamul Haque	Atonu Rabbani	Soumya Balasubramanya	Karma Yoezer
7	Md. Sadique Rahman	AK Enamul Haque	Sheetal Sekhri/Pranab Mukhopadhyay	Atonu Rabbani	Charisma Lepcha
8	Mohanasundari Thangavel	Subhrendu Pattanayak	François Libois	Pranab Mukhopadhyay	Heena Gaude
9	Rishi Kumar	Sheetal Sekhri	Subhrendu Pattanayak	Heman Das Lohano	Saheli Bose
10	Saheli Bose	Sheetal Sekhri	Pranab Mukhopadhyay	Jampel Dell'Angelo	Sowmya Dhanaraj
11	Santosh Adhikari	AK Enamul Haque	Subhrendu Pattanayak	Abid Hussain	Md. Sadique Rahman
12	Shreya Bajimaya	Sheetal Sekhri	François Libois	Heman Das Lohano	Chogyel Wangmo
13	Sowmya Dhanaraj	François Libois	AK Enamul Haque	Atonu Rabbani	Aslesh Shrestha
14	Zin Nwe Win	Subhrendu Pattanayak	Sheetal Sekhri/Heman Lohano	Gunnar Köhlin	Rishi Kumar

New Researchers for Proposal Defense and the Discussants

S.N.	New Researchers	Discussant 1	Discussant 2	Technical Support
1	Biswajit Patra	Gunnar Köhlin	François Libois	Mani Nepal
2	Imran Khan	Pranab Mukhopadhyay	AK Enamul Haque	Mani Nepal
3	Rafi Amir-ud-Din	AK Enamul Haque	François Libois	Mani Nepal
4	Shilpa Sharma	Jampel Dell'Angelo	Sheetal Sekhri /Francois Libois	Mani Nepal
5	Shovana Maharjan	Atonu Rabbani	Subhrendu Pattanayak	Mani Nepal
6	Susmita Dutta	Soumya Balasubramanya	Sheetal Sekhri / AK Enamul Haque	Mani Nepal
7	VPI Sandamali Wijeratne (online)	Heman Das Lohano	Subhrendu Pattanayak	Mani Nepal

Day 1 – Saturday, 9 December 2023 | Himalaya Drishya Resort, Dhulikhel

Day 1: Gaurishankar Hall (Parallel Session)					
Time	Researcher	Advisor	Discussant 1	Discussant 2	Discussant 3
9:00 – 9:30	Group and Programme Introductions (at Gaurishankar Hall) – All				
Moderator: Mani Nepal & Pranab Mukhopadhyay					
9:30 – 10:20	Heena Gaude	François Libois	Subhrendu Pattanayak	Kabir Uddin	Santosh Adhikari
10:20 – 10:50	Tea/ Coffee Break				
10:50 – 11:40	Mohanasundari Thangavel	Subhrendu Pattanayak	François Libois	Pranab Mukhopadhyay	Heena Gaude
11:40 – 12:30	Aslesh Shrestha	Subhrendu Pattanayak	François Libois	Mani Nepal	Zin Nwe Win
12:40– 14:00	Lunch				
Moderator: Zin Nwe Win					
14:00 – 14:50	Santosh Adhikari	AK Enamul Haque	Subhrendu Pattanayak	Abid Hussain	Md. Sadique Rahman
14:50 – 15:40	Md. Hafiz Iqbal	AK Enamul Haque	Atonu Rabbani	Soumya Balasubramanya	Karma Yoezer
15:40 – 16:00	Tea/ Coffee Break				
Moderator: Santosh Adhikari					
16:00–16:50	Sowmya Dhanaraj	François Libois	AK Enamul Haque	Atonu Rabbani	Aslesh Shrestha
16:50 – 17:40	Chogyel Wangmo	François Libois	AK Enamul Haque	Atonu Rabbani	Mohanasundari Thangavel

Day 1: Lhotse Hall (Parallel Session)					
Time	Researcher	Advisor	Discussant 1	Discussant 2	Discussant 3
Moderator: Heman Das Lohano & Atonu Rabbani					
9:30 – 10:20	Md. Sadique Rahman	AK Enamul Haque	Sheetal Sekhri/ Pranab Mukhopadhyay	Atonu Rabbani	Charisma Lepcha
10:20 – 10:50	Tea/ Coffee Break				
10:50 – 11:40	Charisma Lepcha	AK Enamul Haque	Sheetal Sekhri/Surendra Raj Joshi	Heman Das Lohano	Md. Hafiz Iqbal
11:40 – 12:30	Karma Yoezer	Sheetal Sekhri	AK Enamul Haque	Surendra Raj Joshi	Shreya Bajimaya
12:40– 14:00	Lunch				
Moderator: Heena Gaude					
14:00 – 14:50	Shreya Bajimaya	Sheetal Sekhri	François Libois	Heman Das Lohano	Chogyel Wangmo
14:50 – 15:40	Saheli Bose	Sheetal Sekhri	Pranab Mukhopadhyay	Jampel Dell'Angelo	Sowmya Dhanaraj
15:40 – 16:00	Tea/ Coffee Break				
Moderator: Charisma Lepcha					
16:00–16:50	Rishi Kumar	Sheetal Sekhri	Subhrendu Pattanayak	Heman Das Lohano	Saheli Bose
16:50 – 17:40	Zin Nwe Win	Subhrendu Pattanayak	Sheetal Sekhri/Heman Das Lohano	Gunnar Köhlin	Rishi Kumar
19:00 onwards	Dinner				

New Proposal Presentations

Gaurishankar Hall				
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Time	Researcher	Discussant 1	Discussant 2	Technical Support
Moderator: Mani Nepal				
10:00 – 10:45	Susmita Dutta	Soumya Balasubramanya	Sheetal Sekhri /Enamul Haque	Mani Nepal
10:45 –11:15	Tea/Coffee Break			
Moderator: Pranab Mukhopadhyay				
11:15 – 12:00	Shilpa Sharma	Jampel Dell'Angelo	Sheetal Sekhri /Francois Libois	Mani Nepal
12:00 – 12:45	Biswajit Patra	Gunnar Köhlin	François Libois	Mani Nepal
12:45 – 14:00	Lunch			
Moderator: Heman Lohano				
14:00 – 14:45	Shovana Maharjan	Atonu Rabbani	Subhrendu Pattanayak	Mani Nepal
14:45 – 15:30	Imran Khan	Pranab Mukhopadhyay	AK Enamul Haque	Mani Nepal
15:30 – 16:00	Tea/ Coffee Break			
Moderator: Atonu Rabbani				
16:00 – 16:45	Rafi Amir-ud-Din	AK Enamul Haque	François Libois	Mani Nepal
16:45 – 17:30	VPI Sandamali Wijeratne (online)	Heman Das Lohano	Subhrendu Pattanayak	Mani Nepal
19:00 onwards	Dinner			

Day 3 – Monday, 11 December 2023 | ICIMOD Headquarters, Lalitpur

Time	Description	
6:30 – 7:15	Breakfast	
7:15 Sharp	Leave Himalaya Drishya Resort to attend sessions at ICIMOD	
9:00 – 9:30	Registration: Manashree Newa , Programme Associate, and Mona Sharma , Communications Officer	
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9:40 – 10:00	Welcome Address: Pema Gyamtsho , Director General, ICIMOD	
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10:30 – 11:00	Speaker 2	Soumya Balasubramanya , Senior Economist, the World Bank Title: Solar irrigation in Nepal: Equity in energy access and implications for fossil fuel use
11:00 – 11:30	All	Moderated discussion
11:30 – 11:50	Group Photo + Tea Break	
11:50 – 12:45	Panel Discussion: Learning from ICIMOD-SANDEE collaborations. Moderator: Pranab Mukhopadhyay , Professors, University of Virginia / Goa University Panellists: Bhupesh Adhikary , Action Area B Coordinator Sanjeev Buchar , Intervention Manager, Spring Revival Subhrendu Pattanayak , Professor and SANDEE Advisor, Duke University Yi Shaoliang , Intervention Manager, Rangeland Management	
12:45 –13:30	Lunch Break	
13:30 – 17:00	Educational visit to Living Mountain Lab Visit, Godavari (RnT Participants – other than SC members)	
14:00 – 17:00	SANDEE Steering Committee Meeting (Steering Committee members only)	
17:15 – 19:00	Reception dinner (ICIMOD headquarters lawn)	
19:15	Leave for Dhulikhel	

Day 4 – Tuesday, 12 December 2023 | Himalaya Drishya Resort, Dhulikhel
One-on-One Discussion

Time	Description				
7:30–8:00	Breakfast				
Faculty & Researchers Informal Discussion					
Time	Subhrendu Pattanayak/Atonu Rabbani	Enamul Haque / Pranab Mukhopadhyay	Sheetal Sekhri (online) / Heman Lohano	François Libois / Mani Nepal	Heman Lohano / Mani Nepal
9:00 – 9:45	Zin Nwe Win	Santosh Adhikari	Rishi Kumar	Sowmya Dhanaraj	
9:45 – 10:30	Mohanasundari Thangavel	Md. Sadique Rahman	Karma Yoezer	Chogyel Wangmo	
10:30 – 11:00	Tea/Coffee Break				
11:00 – 11:45	Aslesh Shrestha	Charisma Lepcha	Shreya Bajimaya	Heena Gaude	
11:45 – 12:30	Resham Thapa	Md. Hafiz Iqbal	Saheli Bose	Menuka Maharjan	
12:30– 14:00	Lunch				
14:00 – 14:45	Shovana Maharjan	Menuka Udugama (online)	Imran Khan	Rafi Amir–ud–Din	
14:45 –15:30	VPI Sandamali Wijeratne (online)	Shilpa Sharma	Susmita Dutta	Biswajit Patra	
15:30 – 16:00	Tea/Coffee Break				Qurban Aliyar
16:30 – 19:30	Advisors Meeting				
19:00 onwards	Dinner				