

STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

HKH CryoHub – a cryosphere network for the Hindu Kush Himalaya

Agenda

Day 1: Thursday

Date: 14 December 2023

Venue: Kanchenjunga hall, ICIMOD Headquarters

Opening session

Facilitator: **Neera Shrestha Pradhan**, Action Area Co-Ordinator, Action area A: Managing cryosphere and water risks, ICIMOD

Rapporteur: **Chimi Seldon**, Communications Officer, ICIMOD

Time (NST)	Activity	Facilitator/Speaker
09:00–09:30	Registration	Neetu Ghale , Senior Programme Associate, ICIMOD
09:30–10:30	Welcome remarks Objectives of the workshop and ICIMOD strategy 2030 and Medium-Term Action Plan MTAP V ICIMOD cryosphere achievements and HiWISE report key findings. Introduction of participants	Pema Gyamtsho , Director General, ICIMOD Arun Bhakta Shrestha , Strategy Group Lead, SG 1: Reducing climate and environmental risks, ICIMOD. Miriam Jackson , Intervention Manager, Cryosphere, ICIMOD
10:30–11:00	Group photo and tea/coffee break	

Time (NPT)	Activity	Session moderator
11:00–12:30	Session 1: HKH cryosphere on the global agenda	
	Panel discussion: Platforming HKH cryosphere in the global agenda Panellists: – Izabella Koziella , Deputy Director General, ICIMOD – Dinkar Kayastha , Senior Divisional Hydrologist, Department of Hydrology and Meteorology (DHM), Nepal – Rajesh Kumar , Professor, Central University of Rajasthan, India – Liaqat Ali , Director, NCEG Peshawar University – Jiaojiao Hu , Polar Hub, China – Tshering Dendup , lecturer, Royal University of Bhutan	Moderator: Arun Bhakta Shrestha , ICIMOD Rapporteur: Tenzing Chogyal Sherpa , ICIMOD

	Key takeaways	Arun Bhakta Shrestha , ICIMOD
12:30-13:30	Lunch break	
13:30 – 17:00	Session 2: Structuring working groups under HKH CryoHub	
	<p>Presentations:</p> <p>Overview of ICIMOD hubs and networks (10 min)</p> <p>Overview of the HKH CryoHub (15 min)</p> <p>GESI assessment framework for cryosphere biosphere society linkages (15 min)</p> <p>Group work (Hybrid) (45 min)</p> <p>Question 1. What is the best structure for working groups related to cryosphere? (15 min)</p> <p>Question 2. Identify membership of the groups defined above (15 min)</p> <p>Tea break (30 min)</p> <p>Question 3: How to integrate the GESI perspective on managing cryosphere and water risks into HKH CryoHub working groups? (15 min)</p> <p>Guiding questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The advantages of having a separate working group for GESI issues • The advantages of having GESI issues integrated into each working group. <p>Question 4: How to collate and synthesis Thematic Working Group recommendations for policy feedback (15 min)</p> <p>Report from group work (1 hour – 15 min for each group)</p> <p>Key recommendations and summary of the day (10</p>	<p>Facilitator: Miriam Jackson, ICIMOD</p> <p>Rongkun Liu, Analyst, ICIMOD</p> <p>Chimi Seldon, Communications Officer, ICIMOD</p> <p>Kosar Bano, GESI Specialist, ICIMOD</p> <p>Rapporteurs: Prashant Baral, ICIMOD Finu Shrestha, ICIMOD Sangya Mishra, ICIMOD Silian Pan, ICIMOD</p> <p>Arun Bhakta Shrestha, ICIMOD</p>

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17:00	End of Day 1	

Day 2: Friday

Date: 15 December 2023

Venue: Kanchenjunga Hall, ICIMOD Headquarters

Time	Activity	Facilitator
9:15–9:30	Programme for today	Finu Shrestha , Remote Sensing and Geo-information Analyst, ICIMOD
9:30–10:45	<p>Session 3: How can HKH CryoHub working groups support key cryosphere-related challenges?</p> <p>Café format Stations on cryosphere-related issues in the HKH and HKH CryoHub working groups:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mapping capacity gaps and building capacity - Formulating a regional cryosphere strategy - Building cryosphere-related policy in ICIMOD RMCs 	<p>Facilitator: Miriam Jackson, ICIMOD</p> <p>Rapporteur: Sangya Mishra, ICIMOD</p>
10:45–11:15	Tea break	
11:15–12:30	<p>Session 3 continues</p> <p>Key messages from Permafrost strategy workshop (10 min) Flash talks: 1-2 mins (25 min)</p> <p>Plenary discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How can we ensure the latest research findings are included in government policy concerning cryosphere? • How can working groups under HKH CryoHub contribute to interaction between cryosphere scientists and policymakers? <p>Summary – Sharad Joshi, Cryosphere Analyst, ICIMOD</p>	<p>Facilitator: Sharad Joshi, ICIMOD</p> <p>Prashant Baral, Cryosphere Analyst, ICIMOD</p> <p>Rapporteur: Sunwi Maskey, ICIMOD</p>
12:30–13:45	Lunch	
13:45–15:00	<p>GLOF database release</p> <p>GLOF from South Lhonak, Sikkim, India</p> <p>Cataloguing GLOF events in High Mountain Asia</p> <p>Launch of GLOF database</p> <p>Remarks</p>	<p>Facilitator: Miriam Jackson, ICIMOD</p> <p>Ashim Satar, Assistant Professor, IIT Bhubaneswar, India</p> <p>Finu Shrestha, ICIMOD</p> <p>Pema Gyamtsho, ICIMOD</p>
15:00–15:30	Tea break	
15:30–16:30	Session 4: What's next for HKH CryoHub?	Facilitator:

	Discussion	Tenzing Chogyal Sherpa, Cryosphere Analyst, ICIMOD Rapporteur: Silian Pan, ICIMOD Arun Bhakta Shrestha, ICIMOD
	Way forward and vote of thanks	
16:30	End Day 2	