

Expert Group Meeting on:

Adaptation to Climate Change Impacts and risks to different forest types of South Asia

Organisers: SAARC Forestry Centre, Bhutan and Rain Forest Research Institute, Jorhat

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It is well known that Climate has significant influence on the distribution, type, structure and ecology of forests. The link between forest type, biodiversity, ecosystem services and the human community is also well recognized. South Asia is endowed with a great variety of forest types and the forests also support the livelihoods of millions of people. The global phenomenon of Climate Change poses a great risk to the various forest types and the ecosystem services provided by it. About 15-20 experts in the field of forestry and climate change from the SAARC Member States would present papers and deliberate on the issue. The meeting aims to assess the Climate change impacts and risks to different forest types of South Asia and arrive at some adaptation measures that could be taken to minimize the impacts.

The meeting is being held by the SAARC Forestry Centre in technical collaboration with the *Indian Council for Forestry Research and Education (ICFRE), Dehra Dun*. The meeting is being hosted by the *Rain Forest Research Institute, Jorhat*, an institute of ICFRE.
