

# RECOMMENDATIONS Day Three

# Technical Session Four

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Participants agreed that the workshop mentioned in the draft should be changed to accommodate all the three countries, giving them sufficient time for managers. Therefore, November 1997 was the date suggested and finalized for establishing a

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There was a discussion on the draft recommendation. Almost all the participants agreed that the time frame mentioned in the draft should be changed to accommodate all the three countries, giving them sufficient time for management. Therefore, November 1997 was the time suggested and finalised for establishing a Kanchanjunga Mountain Ecosystem Forum. This forum will design, plan, and implement a Regional Planning Workshop by March 1998.

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### Final Recommendations

A regional workshop was held in Kathmandu to discuss common issues and an agenda for the conservation of

the Kanchanjunga mountain ecosystem. Kanchanjunga is the third highest mountain in the world, straddling the borders of the Tibetan Autonomous Region (TAR) of China, India, and Nepal. Hence, they share a common vision for the conservation and development of the Kanchanjunga Mountain Ecosystem.

The workshop participants recommended the following.

1. Respective governments should provide a policy, institutional, and management framework for their respective areas that will ensure that the Kanchanjunga Mountain Ecosystem is a functional Protected Area (PA) system by the year 2000, so that conservation policies, programmes, and projects will help conserve, maintain, and enrich the ecological, sociocultural, and economic integrity of the ecosystem.
2. By November 1997, Kanchanjunga Mountain Ecosystem Coordination Forum, facilitated by ICIMOD and WWF and comprising of officials and

- experts of the three countries and NGO partners, should be established. This forum is to identify and constitute an interdisciplinary experts' team from all the three countries that will design, plan, and implement the Regional Planning Workshop by March 1998.
3. The Regional Planning Workshop should identify a common framework, methodology, and protocol for the development and documentation of a knowledge and information base, ecological and monitoring assessment, and socioeconomic needs' analysis of the proposed PA by March 1998.
  4. A participatory process is to be used for the planning, implementation, and monitoring phases. Activities are to be planned in active consultation and partnership with the local communities.
  5. Conservation and development activities should ensure that the benefits from the conservation policies and programmes to the local communities are maximised and that the costs to them are minimised.
  6. The respective governments should ensure institutional and budgetary provisions for the project activities in their respective territories.