

# **Annexes**



# Annex 1

## Conference Programme

*Sunday 30.01.2006*

Registration of Participants  
Informal Get Together and Dinner

*Monday 31.01.2006*

09:00-10:00

### Opening

- Welcome by Mr Egbert Pelinck, Director General, ICIMOD
- Address by H.E., Dr K. Barth, Ambassador, Federal Republic of Germany
- Inauguration and Address by H.E., Dr. Ram Sharan Mahat, Foreign Minister of Nepal
- Objectives and Structure of the Conference by Dr Mohan Man Sainju, Conference Chairman
- Vote of Thanks by Mr Jürgen Richter, DSE

10:00

*Tea/Coffee Break*

Photo Session

### Plenary Session I

10:30

Overview Paper:HKH Region

11:00

Country Overview Papers

- Bangladesh
- Bhutan
- India

13:00

*Lunch*

14:00

Country Overview Papers

- Nepal
- Pakistan
- China

16:00

*Tea/Coffee Break*

16:30-17:30

Discussion on Country Overview Papers

18:30

*Dinner Reception*

**Plenary Session II**

- 09:00 Introduction to the Day  
(by Chairman)
- 09:10 **Sectoral Papers:** Options and Opportunities for Economic Diversification
- Diversification of Agriculture
    - HKH Region
    - India
  - Commercialisation of Natural Resources for Sustainable Livelihoods: The Case of Forest Products
- 10:30 *Coffee/Tea Break*
- 10:45 **Sectoral Papers (cont'd..)**
- Mountain Tourism
  - Enterprise Development
- 12:30 ToRs for Working Groups
- 13:00 *Lunch*

**Parallel Working Groups**

14:00-17:00 Working Group Discussion (Groups AI, AII, AIII, AIV)

**Plenary Session III**

- 17:00 Presentation and Discussion of Working Group I Reports
- 18:30 *Cultural Programme*
- 19:30 *Dinner*

**Plenary Session IV**

- 09:00 Introduction to the Day  
(by the Chairman)
- 09:10 Papers on Access, Resources and Institutions
- Land Systems, Land Tenure and Poverty
    - Asia
    - Nepal
    - North East India
  - Participatory Resource Management: Forests and Water
  - Women in Mountain Households
- 11:00 *Coffee/Tea Break*

11:30 Papers on Access etc. (continued)  
• Improving Accessibility for Mountain Development  
• Global and Highland - Lowland Linkages

13:00 *Lunch*

### Parallel Working Groups

14:00-17:00 Working Group Discussion (BI, BII, BIII, BIV)

### Plenary Session V

17:00 Presentation of Working Group Reports

18:30 Briefing on the Field Trip

19:30 *Dinner*

## Thursday, 03.02.2006

09-19:30 The whole day spent on a field trip

## Friday, 04.02.2006

09:00 Working Group Sessions on Recommendations (AI, AII, AIII, AIV)

10:30 *Coffee/Tea Break*

11:00 Working Group Sessions on Recommendations (BI, BII, BIII, BIV)

13:00 *Lunch*

### Plenary Session VI

14:00 Presentation and Discussion on Working Group Recommendations

16:00 *Coffee/Tea Break*

17:00 Main Conclusions and Recommendations

17:30 Closing

18:30 *Reception/Dinner*

### Field Trip

A field trip to Kabhre Palanchowk district was organised on 03.02.2000. It is at a distance of 20 km from Kathmandu and requires about one hour's journey from the Conference venue.

At the location the participants split and continued the visit under the following aspects.

General Major Aspects: Accessibility  
Diversification of Livelihood Activities

Sub-groups looked at: Livestock, Dairy Production  
Cash Crops  
Participatory District Development  
Tourism

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There were two sets of four groups each.

**Set A:** Strategies and Policies for Growth and Poverty Alleviation: Economic Opportunities and Options

Group I : Diversified Agriculture

Group II : Enterprise Development

Group III : Forest Products

Group IV : Tourism

**Set B:** Access, Equity and Institutions

Group I : Land Systems, Land Tenure and Natural Resource Management

Group II : Accessibility

Group III : Gender and Social Equity

Group IV : Highland -Lowland Linkages and Impact of Globalisation

### 2. Terms of Reference

Based on

- regional and country overview papers
- thematic paper presentation and discussion in the plenary
- discussion in the Groups

The Working Groups will prepare reports for presentation and discussion in the plenaries covering the following aspects of the themes under their respective consideration:

- goals and objectives
- status and trends: general and theme/sector specific
- issues and challenges

- opportunities and successful experiences
- policies, programmes, and institutional mechanisms: status and gaps
- suggestions and recommendations, including roles of different actors: communities, community-based organisations, NGOs, government, private sector, international organisations, and donors

Individual Groups may decide, depending on the themes they are considering, about relative emphasis on different aspects and any additions they might consider necessary and important.

### 3. Formation of Groups

Participants opted to join one of the Groups in set A on February 1 and then also for one of the Groups in set B on February 2. In effect each participant was expected to join two groups consecutively.

### 4. Schedule for Group Discussions

The schedule for Working Groups will be as follows.

Date	Time	Activity	Groups			
01/02/2000	1400-1700	Discussion	AI	AII	AIII	AIV
	1700-1800	Presentation to Plenary	AI	AII	AIII	AIV
02/02/2000	1400-1700	Discussion	BI	BII	BIII	BIV
	1700-1800	Presentation to Plenary	BI	BII	BIII	BIV
04/02/2000	0900-1030	Discussion & Finalisation of Reports	AI	AII	AIII	AIV
	1100-1230	Discussion & Finalisation of Reports	BI	BII	BIII	BIV
	1400-1600	Presentation of Final Reports to Plenary	All Groups			

## 5. Group Functionaries and Support

Each Working Group will:

- choose a member to present reports to the plenary,
- have a resource person from among ICIMOD staff,
- have a facilitator from DSE to organise the discussion, and
- be provided with a secretary/rapporteur to assist in preparation and production of reports.

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| 5.  | B.B. Bajracharya, Nepal    | 6.  | H. Kreutzmann, Germany |
| 7.  | D. Chapagain, Nepal        | 8.  | Y. Ruizhen, China      |
| 9.  | R. Chand, India            | 10. | A.K. Sarraf, Nepal     |
| 11. | Mr. Chhetri, Bhutan        | 12. | H. Upadhaya, Nepal     |
| 13. | A.A. Chowdhury, Bangladesh | 14. | W.V. Urrf, Germany     |
| 15. | I. Hassan, Pakistan        | 16. | R. Yadav, Nepal        |
| 17. | S. Zia, Pakistan           |     |                        |

Facilitator: G. Bokeloh

Resource Person: P. Tulachan, ICIMOD

### *A2. Enterprise Development*

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|-----|----------------------------|-----|-------------------------|
| 1.  | M. Aziz, Bangladesh        | 2.  | A. Khan, Pakistan       |
| 3.  | G.S. Bhalla, India         | 4.  | M.P. Lama, India        |
| 5.  | Md. S. Hussain, Bangladesh | 6.  | J.C. Pokharel, Nepal    |
| 7.  | B.K. Joshi, India          | 8.  | E.A. Quereshi, Pakistan |
| 9.  | A. Kamal, Bangladesh       | 10. | D.B. Rai, Bhutan        |
| 11. | S.P. Kashyap, India        | 12. | R.S. Tolia              |
| 13. | M.R. Shelley, Bangladesh   |     |                         |

Facilitator: G. Balzer

Resource Person: K. Rijal, ICIMOD

**A3 Forest Products**

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|----|---------------------------|-----|---------------------|
| 1. | B. Bhadra, Nepal          | 2.  | S.. Pathak, India   |
| 3. | N.S. Jodha, ICIMOD        | 4.  | M. Shrestha, Nepal  |
| 5. | M. Karki, IDRC            | 6.  | G. Thapa, IFAD      |
| 7. | B.P. Maithani, India      | 8.  | P. Tshering, ICIMOD |
| 9. | K. Nicholson, NEDA, Nepal | 10. | S.Z. Sadeque        |

Facilitator: G. Kreis

Resource Person: A. Bhatia, ICIMOD

**A4. Tourism**

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|----|------------------------|----|------------------------|
| 1. | I.Alvi, IUCN           | 2. | W. Namgyel, Bhutan     |
| 3. | J. Hummel, NEDA, Nepal | 4. | M.M. Nazeer, Pakistan  |
| 5. | M. Irfan, Pakistan     | 6. | M.R. Pandey, Nepal     |
| 7. | M.S.Manandhar, Nepal   | 8. | Katya Rytkonen, ICIMOD |
| 9. | S.W. Tenzing, India    |    |                        |

Facilitator: A. Schmidjell

Resource Person: P. Sharma, ICIMOD

**B. Access, Equity and Institutions**

**B1. Land Systems, Land Tenure, and Natural Resource Management**

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|-----|----------------------|-----|----------------------|
| 1.  | A. Bhatia, ICIMOD    | 2.  | B.P. Maithani, India |
| 3.  | D. Chapagain, Nepal  | 4.  | S. Pathak, India     |
| 5.  | M. Iqbal, Pakistan   | 6.  | J.C. Pokharel, Nepal |
| 7.  | A. Kamal, Bangladesh | 8.  | Y. Ruizhen, China    |
| 9.  | M. Karki, IDRC       | 10. | A.K. Sarraf, Nepal   |
| 11. | M. Kirk, Germany     | 12. | W.V. Urff, Germany   |
| 13. | S. Zia, Pakistan     |     |                      |

Facilitator: G. Kreis

Resource Person: S.Z. Sadeque, ICIMOD



**B2. Accessibility**

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|----|-------------------------|----|------------------------|
| 1. | B.B. Bajracharya, Nepal | 2. | H. Kreutzmann, Germany |
| 3. | M. Chhetri, Bhutan      | 4. | M.S. Manandhar, Nepal  |
| 5. | M. Irfan, Pakistan      | 6. | M.M. Nazeer, Pakistan  |
| 7. | P. Tulachan             |    |                        |

Facilitator: G. Bokeloh

Resource Person: P. Sharma, ICIMOD

**B3. Gender and Social Equity**

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|-----|----------------------------|-----|--------------------------|
| 1.  | M. Acharya, Nepal          | 2.  | M.S. Hussain, Bangladesh |
| 3.  | S.N. Ahmed, Bangladesh     | 4.  | A. Khan, Pakistan        |
| 5.  | I. Alvi, IUCN, Pakistan    | 6.  | W. Namgyel, Bhutan       |
| 7.  | B.G. Baidya, Nepal         | 8.  | E.A. Quereshi, Pakistan  |
| 9.  | A.A. Chowdhury, Bangladesh | 10. | K. Rijal, ICIMOD         |
| 11. | I. Hassan, Pakistan        | 12. | Katya Rytkenon, ICIMOD   |

Facilitator: A. Schmidjell

Resource Person: P. Tshering, ICIMOD

**B4. Highland-lowland Linkages and Globalisation**

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| 1.  | M. Aziz, Bangladesh | 2.  | M.R. Pandey, Nepal       |
| 3.  | R. Chand, India     | 4.  | D.B. Rai, Bhutan         |
| 5.  | G.S. Bhalla, India  | 6.  | M.R. Shelley, Bangladesh |
| 7.  | B.K. Joshi, India   | 8.  | M. Shrestha, Nepal       |
| 9.  | S.P. Kashyap, India | 10. | S.N. Tenzing, India      |
| 11. | M.P. Lama, India    | 12. | G. Thapa, IFAD           |
| 13. | R.S. Tolia, India   |     |                          |

Facilitator: G. Balzer

Resource Person: N.S. Jodha, ICIMOD

## Annex 4

# A Note on the Field Visit

The field visit was organised on 3 February 2000. Kabhre Palanchowk district was selected as the site for the day-long study tour as this district ranks 12<sup>th</sup> out of Nepal's 75 districts in terms of UNDP's Human Development Indicators and, as one of Nepal's 39 hill districts, it is also representative of the middle mountain areas of Nepal.

The field visit was organised by a team of three local eco-development journalists led by Mr. Binod Bhattarai, Mr. Kedar Sharma and Mr. Mohan Mainali being the other members.

The field visit was divided into two parts. One section of the visit included the larger group. Another part was a three-group programme designed to address the specific interests of the smaller groups. The participants visited altogether seven different sites during the field visit, viz., Dabur Nepal Pvt. Ltd. (for a nursery of medicinal plants), District Development Committee, Kabhre Palanchowk, Hotel Horizon, Dhulikhel (tourism), Ranitar and Umadevi Cooperatives (dairy development), Chandrawati Vegetable Producers Cooperative Ltd., Ramche (vegetable cultivation and integrated pest management), PARDYP/ICIMOD Kubindepakha (community-based solutions), and Goukhureshwar Community Forest, Dhulikhel (community forestry). The visitors were briefed on their activities by the personnel at the site visited.

At Dabur Nepal, the participants discussed, among others, the issues of the potential of growth of different aromatic and medicinal plants in Nepal; species being raised and promoted; the technicalities of raising specific species; the reasons for setting up a nursery; and demand for and supply of saplings. The sites represent an example of private sector initiative in rural development.

At the District Development Committee (DDC), the DDC chairman briefed and discussed with the participants the different development activities underway in Kabhre. The discussions included: how decentralisation is taking place in Nepal—the reality between rhetoric and practice; the DDC's experience with the UNDP-supported Participatory District Development Programme; relationships and linkages between community groups, village and district governance units and central government agencies; and the planning process and development plans of the DDC. During the discussion the issue of the roles of the decentralised democratic institutions and of the departmental line agencies emerged as a challenge to be resolved.

The Mayor of Dhulikhel, and owner of Hotel Horizon, explained how tourism has contributed to local employment generation and creation of a market for local agricultural and dairy produce. A new type of tourism that has brought new hope to Dhulikhel is conference/convention tourism. The issues discussed included disadvantages of being located near the main tourism

stop, namely, Kathmandu; direct benefits of tourism to the local economy; and plans and ways to raise receipts.

Kabhre district is Nepal's largest producer of milk. Of the two cooperatives in Ranitar, both Ranitar cooperative and Umadevi cooperatives were selling less milk than they had sold in the past, mainly due to an extended 'milk holiday', a phenomenon currently common in some parts of Nepal reflecting larger supply potential than demand, primarily due to inadequate processing capacity and uneconomical prices of milk vis-à-vis prices of cattle feed. Participants discussed the issues of the benefits of working as a cooperative; problems resulting from local politics; the organisational and decision-making problems faced by milk-producers; the contribution of income from dairy production to the household economy; the relationship of local cooperatives with the district-level association of cooperatives; and the possibility of setting up milk processing industries locally.

Panchkhal is a major supplier of vegetables to Kathmandu. Successful agriculture has contributed to improving income locally and has also provided farm employment to people from faraway villages. However, the use of chemicals in agriculture in Panchkhal is also among the highest in the world. Another result of the 'successful' agriculture is the increased workloads of women. The Centre for Environmental and Agricultural Policy Research and Extension and Development (CEAPRED) is working to raise the awareness of farmers about judicious use of chemicals in agriculture and alternative farming methods and promotion of integrated pest management (IPM). The participants discussed, among others, the following issues with IPM promoters and farmers: income generation from seasonal and off-season vegetable cultivation; crop diversification and food security; arrangements made for marketing produce; fund-raising, credit, and savings' programme through farmer cooperatives; women's participation in planning and decision-making; impact of increased income on the lives of the villagers; and benefits and difficulties of applying IPM techniques.

ICIMOD's People and Resource Dynamics Programme (PARDYP) has a demonstration site at Kubindepakha, where different interventions are being tested: rainwater harvesting, monitoring small watersheds, alternative pest management, and drip irrigation. Issues related to a local community forest; the geology, soil, and climatic conditions of the research/demonstration area; and water scarcity, harvesting, and rational use in a given environment were discussed with the field staff of PARDYP.

It emerged from the discussions with the District Forest Office and Chairman of Goukhureshwar Community Forest, Dhulikhel, that farmers are aware of the importance of trees and forests, and there is substantial indigenous knowledge and management capacity. Kabhre is a success story in community forestry. The forestry successes have resulted from both the policy of transferring ownership from government to community groups and the use of organic material for agriculture and dairy production. Today, communities are faced with issues related to use of forest resources, their management, and equitable distribution of benefits. The participants and the hosts discussed the issue of: organisation for forest management; policy issues related to community forestry; and benefits derived by the community.

Evaluating the relevance of the field visit, over 90% of the participants rated it as 'highly useful'. They noted that there is a serious gap in exchange of information as well as dissemination of similar exercise/projects/programmes within ICIMOD member countries. The group also noted that, although most of the sites and activities visited showed good success and useful lessons, there were still gaps between stated goals and strategies and implementation and achievements.