

A photograph of a mountainous landscape. The top part shows a steep, rocky mountain slope. Below it, a settlement is visible, featuring several small buildings and a cluster of tall, thin, yellowish trees. The foreground is dominated by a wide, shallow river with a light-colored, pebbly bed. The water in the river is a deep blue color. The overall scene is arid and mountainous.

A photograph is perhaps the most effective way to describe the strategic approach of ICIMOD. It shows a settlement, a place where mountain people live and work IN their environment, which depends on water.

For these people, the conservation of water and forests are compelling issues that affect whether they will have enough food and income to survive the year or not. The water connects them to people downstream, who depend on the mountains as a source of water for crops, hydropower, and daily needs.

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