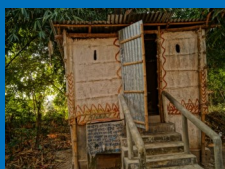




## Program Highlights (click on white bar for more information)

- 3rd Annual CCAPS conference held in Dhaka.
- HI-AWARE presents on the Climate Change Impacts on the Kali Gandaki River Basin.
- Inauguration of Climate Change Certification course held successfully in Chitwan, with support from DDC Chitwan and Practical Action.
- HI-AWARE wins Gender Award
- Organic kitchen gardens introduced as an adaptation strategy by PARC.
- Disaster Risk Reduction interaction attended by government officials in Chiwan.
- Laurie Ann Vasily joins HI-AWARE as new KMC Lead at consortium level.

## Blogs



Does the introduction of an alternative ecological sanitation technology, the 'Phaydemand Sauchalaya' (eco-san toilet), hold promise for flood-affected communities in Bihar? Nuvodita Singh writes about the difficulties that such communities face on the occasion of World Water Day. Link [here](#).



Pakistan is the seventh most vulnerable country to climate change in the world. This effect of its vulnerability is compounded on its women who still face associated risks such as poor health, climate variability and poor economic literacy. Amir Fahim (PARC) writes about such issues in an [IWD blog](#).

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## Recent Publications



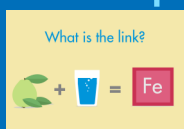
Bimal Raj Regmi and Anju Pandit document the experience of people undergoing climate change in the Gandaki river basin. More importantly he distinguishes between planned and autonomous adaptation options in the [6th HI-AWARE Working Paper](#).



Climate and environmental change will hamper poverty reduction in the near future. In a [paper](#) co-authored by Flip Wester, climate change hot-spots are discussed as prime locations for innovative interventions to take place.

[MORE PUBLICATIONS](#)

## Media Outputs



The second in the '**HI-AWARE Explains**' series, '*Testing Iron in Water Through Guava Leaves*' introduces a novel method of testing iron contamination in water. Credit goes to Megh Pyne Abhiyan. [Click on the picture to access the video](#).



HI-AWARE's newest documentary focuses on the challenges of water availability for daily livelihoods and day-to-day activities. [Click on the picture to access the video](#).



The fragility and beauty of *Chars* (sandbars) in the Teesta basin is shown in this beautiful [photobook](#). Issues of vulnerability and uncertainty of livelihoods are explored in this booklet, co-produced by [BCAS](#)



The infographic shared in the last issue on 'Lighting Options Within the Gandaki River Basin', has been developed into a beautiful web-based parallax infographic. The infographic titled 'Energy in the Gandaki Basin of Nepal' can be found at this [link](#).

## Looking Forward

- CEDAR will begin conducting mock trials of an application based quantitative survey on 'Climate Change Perceptions and Critical Moments' in April
- PARC is focusing on utilizing of barren slopes for livelihood improvement in Chakri. More updates to follow on social media.
- We would soon be starting a social media campaign with various posts focusing on heat stress. As the effect of an early heat wave has begun to hit some of our study sites, we plan to bring some of the early findings of our heat stress research in infographics, and a second 'Feeling the Heat' video. The first part of the video is [here](#).

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