

Announcement

10th June, 2010 India Habitat Centre New Delhi

Panel Discussion on Vulnerability and Adaptation to Climate Change: Towards Enriching National Missions on Climate Change – Key Lessons and experiences from Andhra Pradesh and Rajasthan

Considering the significance of climate related issues for the poor and vulnerable areas, SDC had supported a process oriented programme called '**Vulnerability and Adaptation (V&A) and Enhancing adaptive capacity to climate change in semi arid areas**' of Andhra Pradesh and Rajasthan. The programme was implemented by MS Swaminathan Research Foundation (**MSSRF**) in collaboration with other partners viz. AFPRO, Vikas Sansthan, Sahyog Sansthan, Eco Club, MANAGE, INFRAS and Intercooperation.

The action research programme implemented over the last five years has yielded rich and valuable experiences and lessons, which have now been captured through five publications dealing with different aspects of responses to climate change adaptation such as sustainable agriculture, water management, agricultural meteorology, pasture development and institutional development. These experiences hold immense potential and relevance for designing, planning and implementation of climate change action programmes at different levels, both nationally and internationally.

In this connection brief event is organised **in India Habitat Centre (Casuarina), New Delhi** on the **afternoon of 10th June, 2010 (3.00 to 5.30pm)** in which the publications of V&A programme will formally be released. Together with this event, we have proposed a **Panel Discussion** to deliberate on the key issues and options in crucial areas of climate change relevant to local, national and international initiatives and policy frameworks.

The six publications including introduction to the case studies may be previewed at SDC homepage under "Related Publications and Links"