

## SOUTH ASIAN SEAS PROGRAMME

### Agenda Item 5 (p)

#### PROGRAMME AREA: Environmental Legislation

#### CONTEXT & BACKGROUND

##### Collaboration with NALSAR on Environmental Legislation

The National Academy of Legal Studies and Research (NALSAR), University of Hyderabad India is implementing a programme to support the strengthening of Environmental Law in the SAARC Region.

SACEP had been implementing many Environmental Law Programmes under its UNEP – NORAD – SACEP programme and have conducted many ground breaking programmes and have several Environmental Law Publications.

NALSAR invited SACEP to be an active partner in this Law Programme.

A series of Training Programmes were held across the South Asian Region for strengthening the Environmental Law Capacities in the SAARC region.

Experts, National Representatives, NGO's & Academia were invited to build strong partnerships amongst environmental professionals

The Principal Themes of these Training Workshops were:

1. Overview of Environmental Law and thematic components of the legal framework on environment in the SAARC region
2. Climate Change, Energy and Law
3. Natural Resource Management, Tenure Security & Participation of Local People.
4. Corporate Governance & Law

During the discussions participants were encouraged to share their experiences on various perspectives and a Road Map was developed for training and demand driven orientation for the future

SACEP played an active role in these training programmes and will co-ordinate with NALSAR in the future for strengthening the environmental law capacity in the SAARC region and ensure strong participation amongst environmental professionals of the Member countries of SACEP through development of a collaborative Programme on Environmental Law in the South Asian region.