

## SACEP Work Programme for Year 2009 – 2010

The 9<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Governing Council and the 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the Inter-Ministerial Meeting of the South Asian Seas Programme held in August 2005 at Thimphu, Bhutan reviewed the past Programmes and Projects of SACEP and adopted a new Work Programme for the year 2006 – 2007. The adopted Work Programme included 3 major areas viz. Waste Management, Adaptation to Climate Change, and Data and Information Management. The two other areas; Natural Disaster Management with respect to Storm Surges and Tsunamis and Management of Coastal and Marine Protected Areas were added to the Work Programme of the South Asian Seas Programme and it also recommended, continuation of the ongoing programmes of the SACEP.

The 10<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Governing Council of SACEP held in January 2007 in Kathmandu, Nepal discussed the progress of the Work Programme recommended by the 9<sup>th</sup> GC-SACEP and decided to continue the same programme for the year 2007 – 2008. It also recommended new programme areas such as;

- Combating Illegal Trade in Wildlife and its Products
- Global Invasive Species Programme
- Implementing SAICM
- Establishment of Basel Convention Regional Centre
- Capacity building on Clearing House Mechanism of the Convention on Biological Diversity, assisting to develop national CHMs and establishment of regional CHM

Therefore SACEP Work Programme for year 2009 – 2010 is based on the continuation of the current Projects and Programmes as approved by the 10 GC-SACEP and new Programmes initiated by SACEP in response to the recent environmental concerns of the Member Countries.

### Programme 1: Waste Management

Project	Activities	Financial outlay (USD)
1. Community based integrated solid waste management pilot project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mobilizing the Planning Process &amp; Establishing the strategic planning framework</li> <li>• Public Awareness Campaign</li> <li>• Implementing the Strategic Plan</li> </ul>	331,000.00
2. Establishment of Basel Convention Regional Centre for South Asia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Physically establishment of BCRC at SACEP</li> <li>• Setting up of Advisory Committee</li> <li>• Training Programs, Seminars and Workshops on Hazardous Wastes Management and Minimization</li> <li>• Database and Exchange of Information on HWM Techniques and Technologies</li> <li>• Marketing</li> <li>• Advisory/Consulting Services</li> </ul>	100,000.00

3. Urban Waste Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capacity Building and Awareness Raising</li> <li>• Waste Separation and Disposal : Domestic Waste</li> <li>• Paper Recycling Project Managed by Local Community</li> </ul>	340,000.00
4. e-waste Management in South Asia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Finding Collaborative Partners</li> <li>• Scoping Exercise</li> <li>• Development of a Position Paper</li> <li>• Formulate a Regional Task Rorce</li> <li>• Capacity Building in areas likes coordination for a better Technology Transfer, Exchange of Information and for the Legal and Policy Development</li> </ul>	To be determine

**Programme 2: Adaptation to Climate Change**

Project	Activities	Financial outlay (USD)
1. Study of impact of climate change on flora	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enhancing Capacity Building</li> <li>• Floral Vulnerability Assessment</li> <li>• Adaptation and Mitigation Strategies</li> </ul>	To be determine
2. Sustainable Regional Fuelwood Policy to address Climate Change Issues in South Asia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Establishment of Steering Committee Project Management Structure and Work Plan</li> <li>• Assessment of needs and the resources available at National and Regional Level</li> <li>• Provide assistance in the Development and Operation of National Training / Pilot Project – Methodology for Participatory Assessment (MPA) on ICS</li> <li>• Decentralization of Technical and Programmatic Skills</li> <li>• Establishment of Regional information Centre and Networking of Regional Sustainability - on Improved Cookstove Programs</li> </ul>	2,315,104.00

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regional Training Course on Improved Pottery Stoves Gender Baselines and Extension of Improved Cook Stove</li> <li>• Orientation on Improved Cook Stoves (ICS) Policies, Strategies and Sharing of Experiences” on ICS Program by Various Organizations and Preparation of national and regional manual</li> <li>• Documentation on Tree Planting for Cooking Energy</li> <li>• Eight Research Projects and Partnership in Renewable Energy Resources</li> </ul>	
<p>3. Collaboration for the Capacity Building of the Community Forestry Sector with the Regional Community Forestry Training Centre for Asia and the Pacific (RECOFTC)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rural Livelihoods and Poverty Reduction: This will include activities to develop pro-poor markets and enterprises, integrated development planning to address social development in an integrated way (e.g. across health, education, agriculture, humanitarian assistance); analyzing the impact of Community Forestry on livelihoods and the local environment.</li> <li>• Forest Governance: supporting the development and implementation of sound <i>policies and laws</i> that support rights of access and use are fundamentals of poverty reducing Community Forestry, as well as robust and supportive local CF institutions that enable equitable sharing of benefits from CF.</li> <li>• Productive and Sustainable Forest Management: Community Forestry often occurs in degraded areas rather than high value areas. However, the scope to extend the principles and methods of CF to high value areas needs to be supported if the livelihood needs of communities in such areas are to be secured. Such areas range from conservation areas, where more restricted modes of forest use are in place, to high value timber resources in production forest areas. Fruitful areas to explore include landscape approaches to sustainable forest management, and forest management systems for multiple use including both timber and Non Timber Forest Products.</li> </ul>	<p>To be determine</p>

**Programme 3: Data and Information Management**

Project	Activities	Financial outlay (USD)
1. Establishment of Environmental Data and Information Management System for South Asia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assessment of Needs and the Resources available at National and Regional Level</li> <li>• Provide assistance in the Development and Operation of National Environmental Data and Information management Centres in member countries of SACEP</li> <li>• Provide Training in Data and Information Management applying Standard Formats and Methodologies</li> <li>• Establishment of Regional Environmental Data and Information Centre and Networking of Regional Centre with the National Centres</li> <li>• Provision of Hardware and Software Packages</li> <li>• Provision of Support for Operational Expenses - Data and Information Centre</li> <li>• Development of National and Regional Meta Databases</li> <li>• Data and Information Dissemination</li> </ul>	2,847,000.00

**Programme 4: Implementation of SAICM**

Project	Activities	Financial outlay (USD)
1. South Asia Sub-regional Meeting on Implementation of SAICM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Updates on activities of Governments, Intergovernmental and Non-governmental Organizations in the sub-region</li> <li>• Sub-regional coordination mechanisms</li> <li>• National implementation of SAICM</li> <li>• Identification of the priorities of the sub-region and preparation of sub-regional action plan</li> <li>• Engagement of Sub-regional/Regional organizations in SAICM implementation</li> </ul>	60,200.00

**Programme 5: Capacity building on Clearing House Mechanism of the Convention on Biological Diversity, assisting to develop national CHMs and establishment of regional CHM**

<b>Project</b>	<b>Activities</b>	<b>Financial outlay (USD)</b>
1. Establishment of National CHMs and Regional CHM on CBD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Experience Sharing/Networking Workshop</li> <li>• Capacity Building Workshop</li> <li>• Follow-up on the Trainees</li> <li>• Organisation of National Training Workshops</li> <li>• Designing and Development of National CHMs</li> <li>• Design of Regional CHM</li> <li>• Development of a discussion group on the regional CHM</li> </ul>	559,350.00
2. Capacity building training programmes on Biodiversity conservation and its related Conventions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• National Training for Sri Lanka</li> <li>• National Training for Bhutan</li> <li>• National Training for Nepal</li> </ul>	18,000.00

**Programme 6: South Asia Wildlife Trade Initiative**

<b>Project</b>	<b>Activities</b>	<b>Financial outlay (USD)</b>
1. South Asia Wildlife Trade Initiative (SAWTI)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Intergovernmental Meeting</li> <li>• Establishment of SAWTI</li> <li>• Regional Strategic Plan on Wildlife Trade</li> <li>• Establishment of South Asia Expert Group on Wildlife Trade</li> <li>• Development of detailed work programme for implementing the regional strategic plan</li> </ul>	200,000.00

**Programme 7: SAARC Collaboration**

<b>Project</b>	<b>Activities</b>	<b>Financial outlay (USD)</b>
1. Preparation of South Asia State of the Environment Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussion among SACEP, SAARC and UNEP_ROAP</li> <li>• Preparation of ToR for the SoE Report</li> <li>• Stakeholders meeting</li> <li>• Preparation/ updating of national SoEs</li> <li>• Preparation of South Asia Regional SoE</li> </ul>	To be determine

**Programme 8: Malé Declaration**

<b>Project</b>	<b>Activities</b>	<b>Financial outlay (USD)</b>
1. Malé Declaration – Phase III	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue Capacity Building of the Member Countries, Regional and National Level</li> <li>• Regional Stakeholders Workshop</li> <li>• Intergovernmental Meetings</li> <li>• National Stakeholders Meetings</li> <li>• Programme Management Committee Meeting of RAPIDC project</li> </ul>	20,000.00
2. Malé Declaration – Phase IV	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strengthen Air Pollution Monitoring Network and conduct Regular Monitoring</li> <li>• Enhance the Impact Assessment Capacity of the National Institutions and Assesses the Impacts of Air Pollution in the participating countries</li> <li>• Enhance the capacity of NIAs on Emission Inventory Development and Integrated Assessment Modeling and Complication of Emission Inventories</li> <li>• Air Pollution Reduction Policies and Strategies</li> <li>• Raise Awareness for action through Targeted Dissemination</li> </ul>	To be determine

**Programme 9: EST**

Project	Activities	Financial outlay (USD)
1. Environmentally sustainable transport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regional EST forum</li> <li>• Development of Ministerial statement for South Asia</li> <li>• Launch a South Asia Forum on EST with UNCRD</li> <li>• Development of in-country training needs and Assessment with National Dialogue</li> <li>• Development of an Inter-country Institutional Co-operation Mechanism for Formulation of a South Asia Regional EST Strategy cum Action Plan</li> <li>• Introduction of “car free days” in South Asian Cities</li> <li>• Establishment of SACEP working group on EST</li> </ul>	71,500.00

**Programme 10: South Asian Seas Programme (SASP)**

The Work Programme for the South Asian Seas Programme will be put before the 4<sup>th</sup> Inter-Ministerial Meeting of the South Asian Sea Programme (4<sup>th</sup> IMM / SASP) which will meet immediately after this GC meeting.