



ICSD: Workshop pictures



Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Adaptation in South Asia Project – Getting Climate Smart for Disasters

Context:

This project researches the policy and institutional barriers and opportunities in achieving convergence of DRR and CCA in the context of development, poverty and vulnerability reduction. It does this by applying the Climate Smart Disaster Risk Management (CSDRM) approach¹ as a process on selected policies of the government, and plans and functioning of institutions for ameliorating disasters at varying scales of governance to explore and find solutions to the constraints towards achieving integration of climate change adaptation (CCA) and disaster risk reduction (DRR), through new ways of working. The focus of this work was on cyclone prone state of **Odisha** in the eastern coast of India.

Duration:

The duration of the project was from June 2012 to Dec 2013.

Donors:

Climate Development Knowledge Network (CDKN) through International START Secretariat, USA

Goal:

Our main objective was to understand the

- ∩a Mismatch between the different priorities of Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) in policies of the government, plans and functioning of institutions and those of ordinary people in hazard-prone areas.
- ∩a We also wanted to look into the possibility of diversified means of livelihoods as a strategy to reduce climate dependency and thereby increase overall resilience of the community.
- ∩a Look at cost benefits of various adaptation actions

Approach/interventions:

To understand the institutional barriers and to examine how such barriers can be overcome by these institutions for better integration, ICSD employed the Climate Smart Disaster Risk Management (CSDRM) experience. Various research tools including Workshops, Round table discussions, Consultative meetings, One to one discussions and 'Reverse Engineering' methodology were used for a good understanding of the subject.

Main Partners:

ICSD carried out this project in partnership with All India Disaster Mitigation Institute and International Development Studies (IDS), UK.





Achievements:

Sr no	Activity	Outputs
Output 1: Getting Climate Smart For Disasters through Institutions, Plans, Programmes, Policies at Various Levels of Governance		
1	Self-Assessment Workshop state level	Workshop Report and Policy Brief shared at
2	Workshop on Training on FORIN and Monitoring and Evaluation of CSDRM actions	15 people trained on FORIN and M&E for CSDRM
3	National Workshop on Getting Climate Smart for Disasters in Coastal Zones	Policy Brief shared with all stakeholders at National level
4	Integrating CSDRM in a community based organisation	Project Report
5	CSDRM of Village Water Security Plan	Project Report
6	Integrating CSDRM in National Guidelines, and State level Plans Policies and Projects	Project Report
7	Cost benefit analysis for choosing adaptation action now to be climate resilient in the long term	Communicated for publication
Output 2 : Reverse Engineering – A specific disaster Case study briefing		
8	Reverse Engineering - Case study briefing of Cyclones Aila & Phailin	Study shared at various platforms
Output 3: Understanding conflicting priorities between DRR institutions and communities		
9	Understanding Conflicting Priorities Between DRR Institutions and Communities Policy Brief	Study shared at various platforms
Output 4: Linking climate adaptation and disaster risk with diversified livelihoods		
10	Linking Climate Adaptation and Disaster risk with Diversified Livelihoods – Case Study of Climate Resilient Livelihoods in Rajagopalpur in Odisha	Study shared at various platforms

Workshop / conferences/ Reports

- Σa A CSDRM Self-Assessment Workshop (SAW) was carried out in 18th – 19th March 2013 in Bhubaneswar, Odisha as part of the CDKN project. The workshop was led by IC project team and technically supported by All India Disaster Mitigation Institute (AIDMI), Ahmadabad, who is one of the project partners. It was well represented by Odisha State Disaster Management Authority (OSDMA), UNDP, DC Puri and local NGOs.
- a ICSD had organized a [Training Workshop on Forensic Investigation](#) also known as reverse engineering approach (FORIN) and M&E for Climate Smart Disaster



Risk Management Approach (CSDRM) Approach'. This was held in Bhubaneswar, Odisha 8-9 May 2013 as part of our CDKN project.

- Σa [Concluding workshop on Getting Climate Smart for Disasters with a focus on Cyclones](#) was held on 10th December 2013, at India International Centre (IIC), New Delhi

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