



## South Asia Climate Proofing Growth and Development

### Context:

The UK Department for International Development (DFID) has brought together two programmes under one umbrella “Action on Climate Today” to work in partnership with the governments of five countries- Afghanistan, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Nepal and India. The South Asia Region will have the Climate Proofing Growth and Development (CPGD) Programme and for India it is Climate Change Innovation Programme (CCIP). Under the bilateral technical cooperation between the Government of India and Government of United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; the “Climate Change Innovation Programme” has been approved and is being implemented by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC), Government of India in collaboration with DFID in 6 states of India; Assam, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Kerala, Maharashtra and Odisha.

Through this programme the State Governments will be supported for the formulation and implementation of State Action Plans on Climate Change (SAPCC).

DFID has engaged a consortium led by the Oxford Policy Management Limited (OPML), UK as “Management Agency” for implementing activities and Intercooperation Social Development India (ICSD) is one of the consortium members. ICSD colleagues function as State Coordinators (Team leaders) for the states of Assam, Bihar, Kerala and Maharashtra. We also provide technical support for specific activities identified by each state.

### Goal:

This project is helping mainstream climate change resilience measures within budgetary planning and policy-making across South Asia. The goal of the programme in India is to strengthen India’s resilience in the face of climate change, specifically, supporting the Indian government at central, state and local level to build its capacity for addressing climate change issues and integrating responsive developments into its policy, plans and programmes.

### Role of Intercooperation:

As a consortium partner, the primary role of Intercooperation is to support the incorporation of budgetary and planning changes into the government systems that improve responses and funds allocations to climate change within the region through the provision of Team leaders as well as provide technical support to specific activities.

**Donor:** DFID

### Partners:

OPML as consortium lead with multiple partners including national and State Governments.

### Objectives of the CPGD project:

- ☞ Conducting ongoing political economy assessments (PEA) within the five focus countries.

- ☞ Completing benchmarking activities, public expenditure assessments and impact evaluations to strengthen the evidence base around existing and new initiative.
- ☞ Providing technical assistance and building capacity to support reform of planning and budgetary systems, processes and institutions .
- ☞ Developing, piloting and monitoring policy instruments that support the introduction of low carbon and climate resilience measures .
- ☞ Developing and implementing innovative mechanisms to leverage private and public finance .
- ☞ Developing communications plans and dissemination strategies to promote knowledge-sharing and lesson-learning.

### Role of Intercooperation in achieving the objectives:

As a consortium partner,

- ☞ Support in the states of Assam, Bihar, Maharashtra and Kerala in the programme management through the team leaders.
- ☞ Support the state and other relevant government entities and staff to develop work plans and implementation schedules, as per consortium requirements
- ☞ Delivery of the programme's work plan and reporting framework providing technical advice to support delivery in each State/Country as per requirement
- ☞ Ensure appropriate approaches, methodologies, resources and partnerships are considered in delivery of programme outputs

### Specific Interventions So Far:

ICSD has provided experts to carry out the following tasks and propose activities that need to be modified or rescaled to Climate Change:

- ☞ Coastal Vulnerability Assessment: Overview of coastal vulnerability to climate change impacts and identify issues for further in-depth vulnerability assessment in Kerala.
- ☞ Kerala State Action Plan Financing Framework (SAPFIN): Define scenarios for integrating the State Action Plan into the State budget while taking account of possible sources of federal and international financing.
- ☞ Flood Management – Chhattisgarh: Report on flood planning and management of a River basin.
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- ☞ Flood Management of River Basin – Odisha: Report on flood planning and management of a River basin.
- ☞ Solar Water Pump Business Model: The initiative aims to define one or more business models that will encourage the private sector to invest in solar water pumps. In so doing, it will describe the technical and economic viability of using solar water pumps in different situations in Bihar and the institutions steps that will need to be taken to make the business model attractive and sustainable for private investors.
- ☞ Long Range Planning Exercise for Climate Change Governance Reforms (Chhattisgarh, Assam, Kerala, Maharashtra, Odisha and Bihar): CPGD will select a relatively small number of larger and longer-term initiatives which it will support over the lifetime of the programme (currently being called FLLs - Fewer Larger, Longer term Initiatives). This exercise is a pilot to test the proposed LRPE approach and will inform any required revisions. Evaluate key contextual characteristics in each location (in particular the key livelihoods context, climate change issues, and climate change-relevant governance challenges) to identify a limited number of possible priority issues which are affected by climate change in which CPGD could support FLLs.

**Achievements:**

The reports have been shared with OPML as per the work plan. Some of them are ongoing assignments.

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