



DRAFT AGENDA

Event	State Consultative Roundtable Dialogue on PM KUSUM and the Water-Energy-Food Nexus
Date	7 th July (Wednesday)
Time	3pm to 5pm IST (Two hours duration)
Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Present the findings of the draft “Guidebook for State Policymakers on Maximizing the Social and Environmental Benefits from Solar Pump Schemes’ • Explore the way forward to strengthen the implementation of solar irrigation
Venue (Virtual)	Microsoft Teams (Please click here to join the meeting). Contact Vir Bahadur Singh, System engineer, TERI on vir.singh@teri.res.in or +91 9873043383, for any technical difficulties

Schedule

Time	Session
3:00 PM to 3:15 PM	<p>Welcome Remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nilanjan Ghose (Senior Advisor, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit {GIZ}) • Aditya Gangwar (Scientist B, Ministry of New and Renewable Energy)
3:15 PM to 3:55 PM	<p>Coordination on solar irrigation between state agencies across the Water-Energy-Food nexus</p> <p>(Chair: Dr. Debajit Palit (Director, Rural Energy and Livelihoods, The Energy and Resources Institute {TERI}))</p> <p>Study findings – Siddharth Goel (Senior Associate, International Institute for Sustainable Development {IISD})</p> <p>Panel</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mukesh Prasad (Electrical Executive Engineer, Jharkhand Renewable Energy Development Agency) • Mrinal Krishna Chaudhury (Additional Director, Assam Renewable Energy Development Agency) • SK Nanda (General Manager, National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development, Jharkhand) • Rishi Nandan (General Manager (Commercial), Jharkhand Bijli Vitran Nigam Limited) • Santosh Kumar (Deputy Director, Department of Agriculture, Jharkhand)

<p>3:55 PM to 4:45 PM</p>	<p>Breakout Session 1: Strategies to improve the financing and targeting of solar irrigation schemes to reach small and marginal farmers</p> <p>(Chair: Shalu Agrawal (Programme Lead, Power Sector, Council on Energy, Environment and Water {CEEW}))</p> <p>Study findings – Siddharth Goel (Senior Associate, IISD) and Anas Rahman (Programme Associate, CEEW)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SK Nanda (General Manager, National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development, Jharkhand) • Bipin Bihari (Project Director – Johar, Jharkhand State Livelihood Promotion Society) • Mukesh Prasad (Electrical Executive Engineer, Jharkhand Renewable Energy Development Agency) • Santosh Kumar (Deputy Director, Department of Agriculture, Jharkhand) • Vinay Jaju (Managing Director, SwitchON Foundation) <p>Breakout Session 2: Infrastructure support and a monitoring and evaluation framework to prevent groundwater depletion from solar irrigation</p> <p>(Chair: Dr. Debajit Palit (Director, Rural Energy and Livelihoods, TERI))</p> <p>Study findings – Prajnashish Swain (Project Engineer, TERI) and Rashmi Murali (Associate Fellow, TERI)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mrinal Krishna Chaudhury (Additional Director, Assam Renewable Energy Development Agency) • Rishi Nandan (General Manager (Commercial), Jharkhand Bijli Vitran Nigam Limited) • Ayan Deb (Hub Manager (Central and West India) – Tata Trusts) • Ashwani Ashok (Head – Renewable Energy, Centre for Environment and Energy Development) • Vijay Shankar (Energy Consultant, World Resources Institute India)
<p>4:45 PM to 4:55 PM</p>	<p>Plenary</p> <p>Summary of key takeaways from breakout sessions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shalu Agrawal (Programme Lead, Power Sector, CEEW) • Dr. Debajit Palit (Director, Rural Energy and Livelihoods, TERI)
<p>4:55 PM to 5:00 PM</p>	<p>Closing Remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christopher Beaton (Lead, Sustainable Energy Consumption, IISD)