

Policy Research Workshop on How to enhance climate actions to meet a long-term goal

Jointly organized by Ministry of the Environment (MOEJ), Japan and
The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI), India
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Venue: Maple Hall, India Habitat Centre, Lodhi Road, New Delhi, India

Background document and agenda:

The discussion of the post-2020 climate regime has been on-going under the Ad-hoc Working Group on Durban Platform on Enhanced Actions (ADP) under the UNFCCC, aiming to adoption of an agreement at the COP21 in Paris this December. At the time of this workshop, only the ADP session in October will be left before the COP21.

Regarding Intended Nationally Determined Contributions (INDCs), 65 Parties (37 Countries and 28 EU member states) have already submitted their INDCs, based on the decision of COP19 and COP20 (as of 20th September, 2015). Other Parties which have not submitted their INDCs yet have also concentrated on preparing for INDCs. As the Secretariat of the UNFCCC will prepare a synthesis report which includes INDCs submitted by the end of September, many Parties are conscious of this as a deadline to make their INDCs be included in this report.

Taking into consideration this situation, this workshop aims for the objective mentioned as below:

- To share information relating to the latest climate change policies and measures (including INDCs) in India, Japan and other countries
- To understand INDCs (or situation of preparation of INDCs) of participating countries, and assess aggregated effects of these INDCs and gap between those of INDCs and a long-term climate goal
- To briefly update on the current situation of UNFCCC negotiations on the implementation of Paris Agreement, and discuss how Parties should communicate, implement, review and update their INDCs after Paris
- To learn experiences and best practices and lessons from existing international and regional cooperation initiatives, and to discuss how to further enhance such initiatives to bridge the gap towards a long-term goal.

Day 1 (29th September)

9:15-9:30	Registration
9:30-9:40	Opening Remarks
	<p>Dr. Leena Srivastava, Vice-Chancellor, TERI University, India</p> <p>Ms. Akiko Urakami, Deputy Director for International Cooperation, Office for International Strategy on Climate Change, Global Environment Bureau, Ministry of the Environment, Japan</p>
9:40-11:10	Session 1: Effects of INDCs submitted by major economies
<p>Moderator: Dr. Kentaro Tamura, IGES, Japan</p> <p>Objective of the session:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✧ To understand INDCs (or situation of preparation of INDCs) of participating countries ✧ To assess aggregated effects of these INDCs, and gap between those of INDCs and a long-term climate goal ✧ (If possible) To discuss how to fill the gap 	
9:40-10:40 (15 minutes/ per presentation)	<p>Mr. Thomas Spencer, Programme Director, Energy and Climate, IDDRI, France (through Skype)</p> <p>Ms. Apurba Mitra, Assistant Project Manager, WRI, US</p> <p>Dr. Atul Kumar, Associate Professor TERI University, India</p> <p>Dr. Toshihiko Masui, National Institute Environmental Studies (NIES), “Japan Assessment of INDCs toward 2 degree target based on AIM (Asia-Pacific Integrated Model)”</p>
10:40-11:10	Q&A and discussion
11:10-11:30	Coffee Break
11:30-13:00	Session 2: Update of climate change policies and measures among major countries
<p>Moderator: Dr. P.G. Dhar Chakrabarti, Distinguished Fellow, TERI, India</p> <p>Objective of the session:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✧ To share information relating to the latest climate change policies and measures (including INDCs) in India, Japan, and other countries ✧ To discuss <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - what are effective policies and measures in these countries in the near future (by 2020 and by 2030) - what are barriers and challenges to deploy them, and; - how to overcome such barriers and challenges 	
11:30-12:30 (15 minutes/ per presentation)	<p>Ms. Akiko Urakami, Ministry of the Environment, Japan</p> <p>Ms. Henriette Faergemann, EU Delegation in India, EU</p> <p>Mr. K. Swaminathan, Advisor, Ministry of Railways, India</p>
12:30-13:00	Q&A and discussion
13:00-14:00	Lunch

14:00-16:00	Session 3: International and regional cooperation
Moderator: Mr. Tsukamoto Naoya, IGES, Japan	
Objective of the session:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◇ To learn what kinds of experiences of, best practices of, and lessons learned from existing international and regional cooperation initiatives? ◇ To discuss how further enhance such initiatives to bridge the gap of long-term goal? 	
14:00-15:30 (15 minutes/per presentation)	<p>Dr. Toshihiko Masui, NIES, Japan, “Contribution of AIM (Asia-Pacific Integrated Model) to INDCs in Asia”</p> <p>Mr. Enrico Rubertus, Project Director (Development and Management of NAMAs in India), GIZ: "Indo-German Cooperation on Nationally Appropriate Mitigation Actions"</p> <p>Mr. Rajesh Miglani, IFC, India: “Carbon Pricing Leadership and Corporates”</p> <p>Mr. Yoshiki Ehara, Representative of JICA, India</p> <p>Mr. N K Ram, Fellow, TERI ,India: “Experience from Cooperation with SDC in India”</p> <p>Mr. Ashish Kulkarni, India Business Lead, Recardo-AEA, India: “CDKN Lessons Learned briefing on Developing Countries INDCs”</p>
15:30-16:00	Coffee Break
16:00-16:30	Q&A and discussion
16:30-17:00	Wrap up for Day 1
17:30-19:30	Dinner reception

Day2 (30th September)

9:30-11:00	Session 4: How to make the Post-2020 regime on climate change workable and effective over time
<p>Moderator: Mr. J.M. Mauskar, Advisor, ORF and Former Special Secretary, Ministry of Environment and Forest, India</p> <p>Objective of the session:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✧ To briefly update on the current situation of UNFCCC negotiation on the post- 2020 agreement ✧ To discuss how Parties should communicate, implement, review and update their INDCs after Paris 	
9:30-10:45 (15 minutes/per presentation)	<p>Dr. Manish Kumar Shrivastava, Fellow, TERI, India : “Current status of UNFCCC negotiation on post-2020 Regime”</p> <p>Mr. François-Joseph Schichan, Counsellor for Climate, The Embassy of France In India</p> <p>Dr. Tamura Kentaro, IGES, Japan: “Possible time frame and process of INDCs”</p> <p>Ms. Apurba Mitra, WRI, US : “MRV in the post 2020 framework”</p> <p>Ms. Urakami Akiko, Ministry of the Environment, Japan: “Joint Crediting Mechanism”</p>
10:45-11:15	Q&A and discussion
11:15-11:30	Coffee Break
11:30-12:30	Session 5: Role of Research Community
<p>Moderator: Amb. Ajai Malhotra, Distinguished Fellow TERI. India</p> <p>Discussion Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✧ What kind of inputs can researchers give to policy makers (negotiators) of Parties? 	
	<p>Kick-off opinions by:</p> <p>Mr. Tsukamoto Naoya, IGES, Japan</p> <p>Mr. Thomas Spencer, IDDRI, France (through Skype)</p> <p>Mr. Navarun Varma, TERI</p>
12:30-12:45	Closing Session
	<p>Amb. Ajai Malhotra, Distinguished Fellow TERI. India</p> <p>Ms. Akiko Urakami, Deputy Director for International Cooperation, Office for International Strategy on Climate Change, Global Environment Bureau, Ministry of the Environment, Japan</p>
12:30-13:30	Lunch

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