



**DIALOGUE ON  
ENVIRONMENTAL GOVERNANCE IN THE CONTEXT OF SUSTAINABLE  
DEVELOPMENT IN INDIA: THE CASE OF PLATEAUS AND HILLS**

*Date: 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> October, 2013  
Royal Orchid Hotel, Bangalore*

**AGENDA**

**Day 1: Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October, 2013**

6.00 pm onwards	<b>Registration</b>
6.30 pm – 7.00 pm	<b>Welcome Remarks</b> Pronab Dasgupta, Distinguished Fellow & Director SRC, TERI Mareen Haring, Project Officer, KAS Ligia Noronha, Executive Director, TERI
7.00 pm onwards	Dinner

**Day 2: Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2013**

9.30 am – 10.00 am	<b>Setting the agenda for the dialogue</b> <i>Presentation on the background paper for the environmental governance dialogues and highlighting questions for consideration during the sessions.</i> Ulka Kelkar, Fellow, TERI Harsha Meenawat, Associate Fellow, TERI
10.00 am – 11.30 am	<b>Session I: Stakeholders, interests and environmental change in the region</b> <i>This session would delve into the challenges faced by this region in balancing environment and development and the prospective roles stakeholders can play in improving outcomes.</i>  <b>Chair:</b> Ritu Kakkar, Director General, Environmental Management and Policy Research Institute  <b>Framing the Issues: (10-12 minutes each)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Kanchi Kohli, Independent Researcher</li><li>• A Ravindra, Advisor to Government of Karnataka</li></ul> <b>Discussants: (5 minutes each)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Aparna Watve, Assistant Professor, TISS Tuljapur</li><li>• Samantha Tamma, Assistant Director, Samata</li></ul>

- Mrinalini Vanarase, Professor, Symbiosis College, Pune
- Snigdha Nanda, Member, Wild Orissa
- M Balasubramaniam, Associate Professor, Institute of Social and Economic Change

Open discussion

**Rapporteur:**

Sumit Kumar Gautum, Fellow, TERI

11.30 am – 11.45 am

Tea/Coffee Break

11.45 am – 1.00 pm

**Session II: Science, politics and environmental governance**

*The focus of this session would be in a brainstorming on the limits of science and on how good politics and institutional capacities in the region can be leveraged to address the development-environmental challenges.*

**Chair:** R Sukumar, Professor, Indian Institute of Science

***Framing the Issues (10-12 minutes each)***

- Manju Menon, Senior Fellow, CPR
- Abhayraj Naik, Faculty, Azim Premji University

***Discussants (5 mins each)***

- M Amruth, Scientist, Department of Sociology, Kerala Forest Research Institute
- Archana Godbole, Director, Applied Environmental Research Foundation
- V S Vijayan, Chairman, Salim Ali Foundation
- Suryanayana Gorji, Head EQM, Environment Protection Training and Research Institute
- Shrinivas Badiger, Fellow and Programme Leader, ATREE
- Padmalal Damodaran, Scientist, Centre for Earth Science Studies

Open Discussion

**Rapporteur:**

Ulka Kelkar, TERI

1.00 pm – 2.00 pm

Lunch

2.00 pm – 3.30 pm

**Session III: Institutional and policy innovations for strengthening environmental governance**

*This session will be a sharing of institutional and policy innovations, existing or which can be proposed to strengthen environmental governance.*

**Chair:** Pronab Dasgupta, TERI

***Framing the Issues (10-12 minutes each)***

- Sanjeev Ahluwalia, Former Sector Specialist, World Bank and Former Joint Secretary, Ministry of Finance
- Ligia Noronha, TERI

***Discussants (5 minutes each)***

- Sudarshan Rodrigues, Coordinator, Tata Institute of Social Science
- S N Prasad, Senior Principal Scientist, SACON and Secretary, Open source Geospatial Foundation- India, International Institute of Information Technology
- Meenakshi Kapoor, Namati
- Jeena T Srinivasan, Associate Professor, Centre for Economic and Social Studies
- T V Sanjeev, Programme Coordinator, Kerala Forest Research Institute
- K S Nikhil Kumar, Senior Fellow, Centre for Communication Governance, National Law University

Open Discussion

***Rapporteur:***

Harsha Meenawat, TERI

3.30 pm – 3.45 pm                      Tea/Coffee Break

3.45 pm – 5.00 pm                    **Breakout sessions**

7.00 pm onwards                      Dinner

**Day 3: Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October, 2013**

9.30 am – 10.00 am                      Summary of last day's discussion

10.00 am – 10.45 am                    Reporting Back from the groups and open discussion

10.45 am – 11.00 am                    Tea/Coffee Break

11.00 am – 1.00 pm                    **Panel discussion on the way forward for sustainable development of the plateaus and hills**

*This discussion would focus on the issues discussed the day before and bring out relevant recommendations to take forward from the dialogue.*

**Chair:** Sanjeev Ahluwalia

***Panellists***

- K J Joy, Senior Fellow, Society for Promoting Participative Ecosystem Management
- Srinivas Ganjivarapu, Activist and Journalist
- Dhaval Negandhi, Indian Institute of Forest Management
- S D Badrinath, former Advisor to UNDP
- Barun Deb Pal, Assistant Professor, Institute of Social and Economic Change

Open Discussion

Concluding remarks for the dialogue

1.30 pm onwards

Lunch and departures