

## **Follow Up Event under Popular Lecture Series on Climate Change and Sustainable Development**

### **We4Cimlate: Popular Lecture Series on '*Climate Change and Sustainable Development*'**

On

21 August, 2019

**Venue:** Conference Hall, Department of Law, Himachal Pradesh University  
Summer Hill, Shimla

**Chief Guest:** Prof. Sikender Kumar, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, HP University

**Other Distinguished Guests:** Shri Nilay D. Kapoor, Chief General Manager, NABARD, H.P, Dr. Suresh C. Attri, Principal Scientific Officer, State Coordinator, HPKCCC, Govt. of H.P. Prof. Pawan Garg, Dean, Faculty of Environment, Development and Sustainability Studies, Prof. R. P. Sharma, Director, Department of Interdisciplinary Studies, HPU, Prof Sunil Deshta, Dean, Faculty of Law

**Participants:** Faculty members of Department of Interdisciplinary Studies, HPU; representatives of Department of Science and Technology, State Council for Environment, Science and Technology, Department of Horticulture, NGO's, farmers and students of MBA (RD) and M.Sc. (Environmental Sciences)

Follow up Event under the Popular Lecture Series on *Climate Change and Sustainable Development* was organized by Centre for Environment Education, Lucknow in collaboration with Department of Interdisciplinary Studies (DIS) of Himachal Pradesh University in the Conference Hall of Department of Law of the University. The objective of the event was to offer a forum for exchange of ideas and discussion on issues linked with climate change and sustainable development. Prof. R. P. Sharma, Director, Department of Interdisciplinary Studies, HPU, Shimla welcomed the Chief Guest, Prof. Sikender Kumar, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, HP University and delivered the welcome address. He said that it is a right time to discuss the issues related to climate change and Sustainable Development with the policy makers, academicians and people working at the grass root level. He highlighted the activities of the Department of Interdisciplinary Studies and stressed on the need of handling the problems linked with climate change for achieving the goals of sustainable development. Felicitation of the distinguished guests and speakers was done and this was followed by plenary session on State Action Plans on Climate Change, climate change and sustainable development. Dr. Suresh C. Attri, Principal Scientific Officer, State Coordinator, HPKCCC, Govt. of H.P. gave the opening remarks. He briefed about the current scenario of climate of Himachal Pradesh and the initiatives of the state government towards climate change adaptations. This was followed by the presentation on Phase I by Centre for Environment Education, Dr. Sharad Gaur, Sr. Programme Director of Centre for Environment Education (CEE).

The Chief Guest, Prof. Sikender Kumar, addressed the participants. He said that environmental indicators form an index for sustainable development. Sustainability is a live thought and a result of deliberations aimed at achieving a sustainable life. The developmental challenges which the Himalayan region faces are intensified by the terrible impacts of natural disasters and climate change. Policy makers across the globe are facing similar challenges. He stressed that in order to manage the problem, planned and sustainable approach is required. Addressing the climate change requires a scientific thought and organized action, he said. He further suggested that climate action must be incorporated in the development planning.

Thematic expert lecture was delivered by Shri Nilay D. Kapoor, Chief General Manager, NABARD, Himachal Pradesh. He highlighted the role of NABARD in mitigating the impacts of climate change.

Simultaneously, three thematic workshops were organized. Thematic workshop on *Role of Government* was moderated by Mr. Sharad Gaur, Centre for Environment Education; *Role of Research Organization, NGOs and Industries*, was moderated by Neeraj Kr. Pal from CEE and Dr. Randhir Ranta, Department of Interdisciplinary Studies, HP University; and *Youth for Climate Action*, was moderated by Ms. Monika Sharma, from Department of Science & Technology and Dr. Pawan Kumar Attri, from Department of Interdisciplinary Studies, HP University. The event provided platform for environmentalists, ecologists, mountain development experts, scientists, planners, students, NGOs and all other interested in sustainable mountain development and climate change, to talk about the different dimensions of development and its impacts.

Other distinguished guests present during the seminar were Prof. Pawan Garg, Dean, Faculty of Environment, Development and Sustainability Studies, Prof Sunil Deshta, Dean, Faculty of Law and faculty members of DIS including Dr. Rattan Singh Chauhan, Dr. Pawan Kumar Attri, Dr. Randhir S. Ranta, Dr. Sanjeev, Dr. Pankaj Gupta, Dr. Baldev Negi, Sh. Sunil Jaswal, Sh. Kuldeep Singh and Dr. Vijay Kumar Sharma. Students of M.Sc. (Environmental Sciences), MBA (Rural Development), representatives of various governmental and non-governmental organizations and farmers participated in the event.

A clear message that emerged from the event is that Himalayan region is becoming prone to the challenges of climate change and needs sustainable development approach to handle the situation, before it becomes inexorable.



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जंगल... जलवायु बदलाव से किसानों को हो रहा नुकसान; एवपीयू में कार्यशाला के दौरान छात्रों ने रखे विचार, किसानों को मिलेगा फायदा

# किसानों के नुकसान की वजह यहां

## सिटी हिरोटोर-शिमला

हिमाचल प्रदेश विश्वविद्यालय के अंतरिषय विभाग ने भारत सरकार के पर्यावरण व वन मंत्रालय एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन, हिमाचल प्रदेश पर्यावरण, विज्ञान व तकनीकी विभाग, पर्यावरण शिक्षा केंद्र (सीईई) लखनऊ, जर्मन कर्पोरेशन, जेआईजेड व नाबार्ड के समुक्त तत्वाधान में 'जलवायु परिवर्तन व सतत विकास पर सक्रिय व्यवस्थान सुखता कार्यक्रम के तहत एक दिवसीय कार्यशाला का आयोजन किया गया। कार्यक्रम



कार्यशाला का शुभारंभ दीप प्रज्वलन और अंतरिषयक विभाग के निदेशक विश्वविद्यालय के कुलपति से आचार्य अश्वी शर्मा ने विभाग किया गया। उसके बाद में होने वाली गतिविधियों के

बाद में संक्षेप में बताया तथा कार्यक्रम के बारे में सभी मुख्यविधि और प्रतिभागियों को अवगत करवाया गया। इस कार्यक्रम में करीब 170 प्रतिभागियों ने हिस्सा लिया, जिसमें प्रदेश के किसान, विश्वविद्यालय के एमएससी पर्यावरण विज्ञान, एमपीए ग्रामीण विकास के छात्रों के साथ-साथ संकाय सदस्यों ने भी हिस्सा लिया। इस कार्यक्रम में हिमाचल प्रदेश विश्वविद्यालय के कुलपति आचार्य विक्रम कुमार कबीर मुख्याग्नि मीनूद रहे, और उन्होंने अपने उद्घाटन

भाषण में अतीवैद्यक विभाग व सहयोगी आर्गनाइजनों की सराहना करते हुए कहा कि आज के दौर में खर एक ज्वलंत मुद्दा है, कि जलवायु बदलाव के दौर में ग्रामीण जनता बिनाक कृषि मुख्य पेशा है, उनको क्षयता निर्माण कैसे किया जा सकता है, तर्क जलवायु परिवर्तन के दौर में भी सतत विकास को हासिल किया जा सके। हिमाचल प्रदेश पर्यावरण, विज्ञान व तकनीकी विभाग के प्रधान विज्ञानिक डॉक्टर सुरेश चंद अजी ने कार्यक्रम में अपने शुरुआती टिप्पणियों में युवा वैज्ञानिकों का

जलवायु परिवर्तन में शोध परियोजनाओं पर कार्य करने का आह्वान किया। उन्होंने जलवायु परिवर्तन की वजह से कृषि और ग्रामीण जन जीवन पर होने वाले प्रभावों पर भी आंकड़ों सहित विस्तार से चर्चा की। नाबार्ड के मुख्य महाप्रबंधक नीले डी कपूर ने नाबार्ड की गतिविधियों के बारे में अवगत करवाया, जो जलवायु परिवर्तन के क्षेत्र में सम्बंधित थी। उन्होंने जिला मिरमौर में राष्ट्रीय जलवायु परिवर्तन पहल के दौरान चलाई जा रही गतिविधियों पर प्रकाश डाला।



