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Policy Research on the Economics of Natural Resource Use and Environmental Change

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The South Asian Network for Development and Environmental Economics (SANDEE)

is a regional network that seeks to bring together analysts from the different countries in South Asia to address their development-environment problems. Its mission is to strengthen the capacity of individuals and institutions in South Asia to undertake research on the inter-linkages among economic development, poverty, and environmental change, and to disseminate practical information that can be applied to development policies. SANDEE's activities cover Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Nepal, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka.



THE SOUTH ASIAN NETWORK FOR DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL ECONOMICS IS A REGIONAL NETWORK THAT BRINGS TOGETHER RESEARCHERS AND DECISION-MAKERS FROM THE DIFFERENT COUNTRIES IN SOUTH ASIA IN ORDER TO ADDRESS THEIR ENVIRONMENT-DEVELOPMENT CHALLENGES. SANDEE'S ACTIVITIES ARE FOCUSED ON BANGLADESH, BHUTAN, INDIA, THE MALDIVES, NEPAL, PAKISTAN AND SRI LANKA.

Research Themes

Research ranges from large-scale country wide investigations to smaller case studies.

- ◆ **Policies and Instruments for Greener Development:** Governments put forward a variety of policies and regulations to manage environmental problems. In order to understand whether these strategies are effective, this thematic area evaluates: a) the role of regulatory and market mechanisms in policy compliance; b) the impacts of environmental programs and policies; and, c) the development of cities as sustainable engines of growth.
- ◆ **Ecosystems Management:** Ecosystems provide provisioning, regulating, supporting and cultural services that are being lost at an accelerating rate. Research on ecosystems management examines: a) contributions of services to livelihoods, particularly of vulnerable groups; b) scale and institutional issues in managing trade-offs associated with

resource use; c) policies for conserving services such as biodiversity that are not substitutable.

- ◆ **Economics of Climate Change:** With climate change, South Asia is expected to get warmer and experience more extreme events. SANDEE's climate portfolio covers research that scrutinizes: a) the efficacy of alternate adaptation strategies and their local co-benefits; b) programs, institutions and policies that support low carbon growth and long-term adjustment to climate change; and c) access and distributional issues related to renewable energy resources.

Building Knowledge and Skills

SANDEE invites research concept notes, which are evaluated on their academic and policy significance. Full proposals are requested after peer-review. While SANDEE's focus is on environmental management, research has to have a strong economics component. Multi-disciplinary projects, cross-border collaborations and trans-boundary topics are prioritized.

SANDEE builds skills along with knowledge. Researchers work with advisors and receive training on multiple topics, including economic modeling, quantitative analyses and statistics. Each researcher attends a number of workshops throughout the grant period that are designed to strengthen research products.



SANDEE research focuses on identifying policy and management solutions to environment-development challenges across South Asia.

SANDEE accepts concept notes through out the year but distributes grants in twice a year. Deadlines for grant consideration are **May 31** and **November 30**. Research grants are in the range of USD 20,000-40,000 over a two-year period.

To submit a concept note or obtain further details about SANDEE's activities, please visit www.sandeeonline.org. For additional queries, please contact us at research@sandeeonline.org.

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