

SOUTH ASIA HYDROMET FORUM

PLANNING WORKSHOP ON IMPACT BASED FORECASTING AND CLIMATE SERVICES

Venue & Date: Bangkok, 21-24 January 2025

Draft agenda:

Day 1: Tuesday 21st January			
Agenda item	Timing	Moderator/Speaker/Presenter (s)	Content
Session Chair: Ms. Helen Caughey, UKMO			
Welcome remarks	9:00 - 9:15	Dr. K. J. Ramesh, RIMES/ Mr. David Corbelli, UKMO	
Introductions	09:15-09:45	Mr. Raihanul Haque Khan, RIMES	- Participant and facilitator's introductions
Workshop objectives	09:45-10:15	RIMES / Met Office	- Ensure broad framing and awareness of SAHF - EC declaration/s, SAHF IV outcomes and commitments
Coffee Break	10:15-10:30		
Regional and national plans and priorities for IBF development / current status of development	10:30-11:00	IBF WG leads	- Review of current IBF WG priorities
	11:00-12:00	RIMES / World Bank / University of Salford	- Review of DSS to support IBF
	12:00-12:30	RIMES / Afghanistan Bangladesh Bhutan India Nepal Maldives Myanmar Pakistan Sri Lanka	- Summary of 'posters' provided by countries attending - Elevator pitch: absolute max of 3 mins per poster (this is just a quick summary). - Finish after lunch.
Lunch	12.30 – 13.30		
Session Chair: Dr. Anshul Agarwal, RIMES			

Regional and national plans and priorities for IBF development / current status of development (continued)	13:30-15:30	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Conclusion of 'posters' if any still outstanding. - Breakout interactive session on crowd sourcing potential solutions to challenges identified in the posters. - Facilitation of poster discussion session.
Coffee	15.30 – 16:00		
Regional and national coordination with institutions supporting SAHF and other fora/platforms in the SAHF geography	16:00-17:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr. Giriraj Amarnath, Principal Researcher Disaster Risk Management and Climate Resilience, IWMI - Dr. Sanjay Srivastava, Chief, Disaster Risk Reduction ICT and Disaster Risk Reduction Division, UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) - Dr. Jothiganesh Shanmugasundaram, Regional Technical Lead, WFP - Mr. Birendra Bajracharya, Project Coordinator; Chief of Party-SERVIR-HKH, ICIMOD - Dr. Senaka Basnayake, Director for the Climate Resilience Department, Asian Disaster Preparedness Center 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Brief presentations 7-8 mins maximum) by regional organisation represented
Day 1 Outputs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mapping of activities, priorities, needs - Understanding of current capabilities and challenges - Identification of 'baseline' to measure SAHF/WISER progress and impact - Group understanding on human insights, coproduction, and interactions with 'DSS' and related systems/tools. 			
Day 2: Wednesday 22nd January			
Agenda item	Timing	Moderator	Content
Session Chair: Mr. David Corbelli, UKMO			
Review and summary from day 1.	09:00 -09:30	Ms. Helen Caughey, UKMO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Summary of Day 1 discussions

Understanding key, hazards, challenges, and capabilities	09:30-10:45	Ms. Helen Caughey, UKMO	- Interactive session on key hazards, and capabilities (sector or country led)
<i>Coffee Break</i>	<i>10:45-11:00</i>		
Interaction with other SAHF working groups	11:00-11:45	Mr. Quamrul Hassan, Meteorologist, BMD/ Co-Chair NWP WG	- Presentation on NWP priorities and plans - Group discussion
Interaction with other SAHF working groups	11:45-12:30	Ms. Monju Subba, Senior Hydromet Officer, NCHM/Co-Chair CE WG	- Presentation on capacity enhancement WG priorities and plans - Group discussion
Lunch 12:30 – 13:30			
Session Chair: Dr. Sanjay Srivastava, UNESCAP			
Links to other regional fora and platforms	13.30 – 14.00	Mr. Jochen Luther, Technical Coordinator (Services, WMO)	- Role of SAHF in supporting WMO strategy - Summary of role and future direction of WMO platforms (SWFP South Asia and SASCOF)
Introduction to IBF toolkit approach through interactive exercises	14:00-14:45	Ms. Helen Caughey, UKMO	- Understanding Forecast uncertainty exercise - “Downscaling” for warnings exercise (highlighting value of co-production using Nepal example)
<i>Coffee</i>	<i>14:45 -15:00</i>		
Role of human in decision making/value-added services	15:00-16:00	Ms. Helen Roberts, Social Meteorologist, UKMO	Understanding ‘human value-added’ aspects to forecasting and early warning

Introduction to IBF toolkit approach through interactive exercises (Part 2)	16:00-16:50	Ms. Helen Caughey, UKMO	“Downscaling” for warnings exercise (highlighting value of co-production using Nepal example)
	16:50-17:00	Met Office	Day 2 summary and wrap up
Day 3: Thursday 23rd January			
Agenda item	Timing	Moderator	Content
Session Chair: Ms. Ruby Rose, RIMES			
Discussion around IBF toolkit development	09:00-09:45	Met Office	Interactive discussion and planning around what resources would be needed and the context which it would be good for these to address. Identification of any potential case studies or examples which could be developed (like Nepal example).
IBF workplan development	09:45-12:30	Met Office	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Group discussion - Interactive session/s aiming to frame broad activities for next 2 years and line of site beyond this.
Lunch	12:30 – 13:30		
Session Chair: Dr. K J Ramesh, RIMES			
Resourcing, WISER AP mechanisms and process, and GESI approaches and considerations	13:30-15:30	Mr. David Corbelli, UKMO RCCC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introducing WISER mechanisms - Group discussion on support and resource requirements - Specific session on reaching and evidencing impact for vulnerable communities inc. GESI and related areas
IBF workplan development presentation	15:30 – 16:30	Met Office	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Group/s feedback from the workplan development
Summary and wrap up	16:30 – 17:00	Met Office / RIMES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Summary of key findings, actions

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Maintaining engagement and traction - Next steps and timelines
Day 4: Friday 24th January (Climate Services)			
Agenda item	Timing	Moderator	- Content
Session Chair: Dr. Rupa Kumar Kolli			
Introduction and scene setting	09:00-09:30	Met Office	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introduction to SAHF CS - Recap of exploration session at 2024 SAHF - Recap of online consultation
Interactive exercise: roles in climate services	09:30-10:00	Met Office	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What is the expertise in the room? - Who is developing CS in their role? - Reflections on successes or challenges in CS
South Asia Climate Services in 2030 – what could it look like?	10:00-10:40	Met Office/ RIMES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - If we were here in 5 years, what would we like to look back on? - What does success look like?
<i>Coffee break</i>	10:40-11:00		
Aims for a SAHF WG on Climate Services	11:00-12:30	Met Office/ RIMES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Exploration of what a Climate Services WG could do, with examples from other WGs - Including presentations/perspectives from RIMES, IBF and NWP WGs - Plenary reflecting back on 2030 vision - What are the other aligned initiatives that are happening? - What would be the impact if we didn't do this?
<i>Lunch</i>	12:30-13:30		
Session Chair: Mr. David Corbelli, UKMO			
Deep dive on WG priorities	13:30-14:45	Met Office/ RIMES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Tables with chosen priorities, explore (how, who, gaps, challenges)

(carousel activity)			- Include focus on GESI, ethics
<i>Coffee break 14:45-15:00</i>			
Practical decisions and make-up of WG	15:00-16:00	Met Office/ RIMES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Voting on who, what, how, when? - How often should a WG meet? - Role of RIMES
Closing remarks	16:00-16:30	Met Office	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Summary of key findings, actions - Maintaining engagement and traction - Next steps and timelines
Close			