



South Asia Policy Dialogue:
Role of Extension and Advisory Services (EAS) in
Scaling-up Climate Smart Agriculture (CSA)
5 October 2018, Colombo, Sri Lanka

Programme Schedule

Inaugural Session	1000-1045	Welcome Note	Nafees Meah IRRI Representative for South Asia
		Inaugural Address	Amal Anurappriya Additional Director General (Agriculture), Sri Lanka
		Introduction to the Policy Dialogue	Rasheed Sulaiman V Focal Point, AESA
		Remarks from the host	P Wanigasundera Focal Point, NAEASSL
	1045-1100	Tea Break and Group Photo	
Session 1	1100-1200	Country Perspectives <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Challenges faced by EAS in Promoting CSA (technological, policy, institutional, capacity) from each country How EAS currently support the 3 dimensions of CSA, namely, enhancing productivity, facilitating adaptation and supporting mitigation? How EAS can better support CSA? What capacities need to be developed within EAS at different levels to fully support CSA? 	Chair: V Usha Rani Director General, MANAGE, India Country Presentations Raghib Hassan, Bangladesh Kamal Devkota, Nepal Saravanan Raj, India Amal Anurappriya, Sri Lanka
Session 2	1200-1300	Private Sector/NGO/Regional Actors Perspectives <ol style="list-style-type: none"> How are they currently supporting CSA Scaling-up? Do they see the role of EAS in CSA Scaling-up? What needs to change (funding, priority setting, capacity, infrastructure, nature and extent of collaboration, policy etc) in EAS and other actors to fully support CSA Scaling-up? 	Panel Discussion <i>Participants</i> US Singh (ISARC) Herath Mantharithilake (IWMI) Athauda Jayawardena (IPM Pvt Ltd, Sri Lanka) Ranga Pallawala (Janathakshan, Sri Lanka) MC Rasmin (Sri Lankan Development Journalist Forum) <i>Moderator</i> Nafees Meah, IRRI
	1300-1400	Lunch	

Session 3	1400-1500	Donor Perspectives <ol style="list-style-type: none"> How are they currently supporting CSA Scaling-up? Do they see the role of EAS in CSA Scaling-up? What needs to change (funding, priority setting, capacity, infrastructure, nature and extent of collaboration, policy etc) in EAS and other actors to fully support CSA Scaling-up? How donor support could be used to strengthen EAS in general to support CSA Scaling-up? 	Panel Discussion <i>Participants</i> Sarath Wickramaratne (World Bank, Sri Lanka) Roshini Gunaratne (FAO, Sri Lanka) Yasantha Mapatuna (PD, SAPP, IFAD, Sri Lanka) <i>Moderator</i> Fredrick Abeyratne, ex-UNDP, Sri Lanka
	1500-1515	Tea Break	
Session 4	1515-1615	Policy Makers' Perspectives Policy bottlenecks: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> What policy changes are needed to address the opportunities and challenges EAS has in addressing CSA? How to improve collaboration and convergence among line departments and across other actors in public, private, NGO and Producer Organisations to promote CSA? How to enhance financing (eg; access to climate funds) for promoting CSA in general and financing EAS to support CSA in particular? How to ensure better and more targeted adaptive research support to EAS to fully support CSA Scaling-up? Role of country level networks of EAS providers in policy advocacy and capacity development to fully support EAS in Scaling-up CSA? 	Panel Discussion <i>Participants</i> Prakash Acharya (DoA, Nepal) V Usha Rani (MANAGE, India) Jatish C Biswas (KGF, Bangladesh) Bhaskar Jyoti Sarma (DoA, Odisha, India) Amal Anurappriya (DoA, Sri Lanka) <i>Moderator</i> Ranjitha Puskur, IRRI
Closing Session	1615-1645	Next Steps and Wrap Up Vote of Thanks	Rasheed Sulaiman V Nimisha Mittal (CRISP)