Ecosystem Approaches to Water and Food Security for Rural Wellbeing

CERTIFICATE TRAINING WORKSHOP ON INTEGRATING ECOSYSTEM SERVICES AND RURAL LIVELIHOODS

📅 September 10th – 14th, 2018
📍 Centre for Rural Technology (CRT), Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati
WORKSHOP DETAILS

Eligibility

Students (currently enrolled in a Master's or Doctoral degree) and early-career researchers involved with NGOs or governmental agencies in the Northeast. (Age limit: 35 yrs).

Scope of the Workshop

Interactive Lectures and case studies by ATREE and IIT-G experts on ecosystem function and services, rural wellbeing, impact of environmental change on natural-resource-based livelihoods, strategies for food and water security and future scenarios.

Mini-projects and field exercises with an emphasis on applied skills through ecosystem services rapid assessments, associated wellbeing as well as community perceptions, and biodiversity assessments.

Improving the livelihoods of natural-resource-based communities in the Eastern Himalayas.

Resource persons

Scientists and Faculty from ATREE and IIT Guwahati

Committee (host institute):

Patron: Prof. Gautam Biswas, Director, IITG
Chairperson: Prof. S. K. Kakoty, Head, CRT & Dean IPM, IITG
Convener: Dr. Sudip Mitra, Associate Prof, CRT, IITG
Members: Faculty, Students, Project Fellows of CRT and RuTAG.
This one week workshop which is being organized jointly by the Ashoka Trust for Research in Ecology and the Environment (ATREE) and Centre for Rural Technology, Indian Institute of Technology – Guwahati (IIT-G) delves into various natural and social science concepts in the field of ecosystem and wellbeing assessments. This workshop will link ecosystem services, food and water security, environmental change and the dynamics of rural systems to understand and enhance the wellbeing of rural communities in the Eastern Himalayas.

Training will be imparted through a combination of lectures, discussions, field exercises and intensive group projects. Results of the group projects will be compiled into a discussion paper which will be published in ATREE's Environment and Development discussion paper series.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:**
Deadline to apply is 20th August, 2018.

Selected applicants will be notified directly by 27th August, 2018. Our decisions will be final.

**COURSE FEES:**
There is no fee for the workshop. All participants will be reimbursed for travel from their departure location to the IIT-Guwahati campus, and back (train (3AC), bus, shared taxi). Accommodation at the IIT-G hostels and food will be covered. Stationary and equipment for the field exercises and mini-projects will be provided by the organizers.

**CONTACT:**
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