**South Asian Consultation on**  
**Food Justice in a Resource Constrained South Asia**  
26-27 September 2011, Kathmandu, Nepal

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## Programme Schedule

**Day I: Monday, 26 September 2011**

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<td><strong>Introductory Remarks:</strong> Cherian Mathews, Deputy Regional Director (Campaigns and Policy), Asia Region, Oxfam GB, Bangkok</td>
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<td><strong>Special Remarks:</strong> Bindra Hada Bhattarai, Secretary, Ministry of Irrigation, Government of Nepal, Kathmandu</td>
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<td><strong>Chief Guest:</strong> Hon’ble Deependra Bahadur Kshetry, Vice-Chairman, National Planning Commission, Government of Nepal, Kathmandu</td>
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|         | **Presentation:** **Food Justice in a Resource-constrained South Asia**  
Cherian Mathews, Deputy Regional Director (Campaigns and Policy), Asia Region, Oxfam GB, Bangkok |
|         | **Discussants:** Dr. Pramod K. Joshi, Senior Programme Manager, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) Asia, New Delhi  
Mr. Suresh Prasad Singh, Policy Analyst, CUTS International, Jaipur |
<p>| 1200 – 1300 | <strong>LUNCH</strong>                                               |</p>
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| 1300 – 1430 | **Session 3: Current Situation and Opportunities to Secure Land for Poor People and Smallholder Farmers in South Asia**  
Chair: Ms. Seema Gaikwad, Regional Node Coordinator, International Land Coalition-Asia, Philippines  
Presentation: **Land Governance in South Asia**  
Dr. Ujjaini Halim, Executive Director, Institute for Motivating Self-Employment (IMSE), Kolkata  
Discussants: Dr. Haris Qayyum, Programme Manager Land Rights and Economic Opportunities, Oxfam GB, Islamabad  
Mr. Francis Raajan, Praja Abhilashi, Negombo  
Muhammad Nasar Hayat, Independent Consultant, Rawalpindi  |
| 1430 – 1500 | **TEA/COFFEE BREAK**                                                                 |
| 1500 – 1630 | **Session 4: Water Scarcity in South Asia—Current Situation and Opportunities to Promote More Sustainable Water Use**  
Chair: Dr. Dipak Gyawali, Research Director, Nepal Water Conservation Foundation (NWCF), Kathmandu  
Co-Chair: Dr. C. S. Karim, Convenor, Campaign for Sustainable Rural Livelihoods (CSRL-Bangladesh), Dhaka  
Presentation: **Water Scarcity in South Asia: How to Promote More Sustainable Water Use and Food Production**  
Anil Pokhrel, Independent Consultant, Kathmandu  |
| 1600 – 1700 | **Press Conference**   
Dr. Posh Raj Pandey, Executive Chairman, SAWTEE, Kathmandu  
Cherian Mathews, Deputy Regional Director (Campaigns and Policy), Asia Region, Oxfam GB, Bangkok  
Venue: Hotel Greenwich Village, Kupondole, Lalitpur  |
### Day II: Tuesday, 27 September 2011

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| 0900 – 1030 | Session 5: Climate Change in an Already Disaster Prone South Asia—How to Support Adaptation and Resilience for Food Production and Agriculture | Dr. Pervaiz Amir, Manager (Technical Assistance), ASIANICS Agro-Dev. International, Member of the Prime Minister’s Task force on Climate Change and on the Technical Advisory Panel of the Ministry of Environment, South Asia Representative, Global Water Partnership, Islamabad | **Climate Change Adaptation and Agriculture: Global and South Asian perspectives**  
Sanjay Vashist, Director, Climate Action Network South Asia, New Delhi | Ziaul Hoque Mukta, Regional Policy Coordinator, Oxfam GB Asia, Bangkok  
Prabin Man Singh, Oxfam GB Nepal, Kathmandu |
| 1030 – 1100 | **TEA/COFFEE BREAK**                               |                                                                                           |                                                                              |                                                                             |
| 1100 – 1230 | Session 6: High Food Prices in South Asia and Mechanisms to Address Poverty Concerns | Dr. Sudarshan B. Mathema, Agriculture Economist, Kathmandu | **Food Inflation and Poverty in South Asia**  
Chandan Sapkota, Research Officer, SAWTEE, Kathmandu | Dr. Selim Raihan, Associate Professor of Economics at University of Dhaka, Bangladesh and Executive Director of South Asian Network on Economic Modelling (SANEM), Dhaka  
Biraj Swain, National Campaigns Manager, Oxfam India, New Delhi  
Mr. Zubair Faisal Abbasi, Consultant - Programme Development, United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), Islamabad |
| 1230 – 1330 | **LUNCH**                                         |                                                                                           |                                                                              |                                                                             |
### Session 7: Building a New Agricultural and a New Ecological Future for South Asia

**Chair:** Dr. Pramod K. Joshi, Senior Programme Manager, IFPRI Asia, New Delhi

**Panelists:**
- Dr. Pervaiz Amir, Manager (Technical Assistance), ASIANICS Agro-Dev. International, Member of the Prime Minister’s Task force on Climate Change and on the Technical Advisory Panel of the Ministry of Environment, South Asia Representative, Global Water Partnership, Islamabad
- Dr. C. S. Karim, Convenor, Campaign for Sustainable Rural Livelihoods (CSRL-Bangladesh), Dhaka
- Kamalesh Adhikari, Research Director, SAWTEE, Kathmandu

**1500 – 1530** TEA/COFFEE BREAK

### Session 8: Way Forward

**Chair:** Ms. Seema Gaikwad, Regional Node Coordinator, International Land Coalition-Asia, Philippines

**Panelists:**
- Cherian Mathews, Deputy Regional Director (Campaigns and Policy), Asia Region, Oxfam GB, Bangkok
- Ratnakar Adhikari, General Secretary, SAWTEE, Kathmandu
- Ziaul Hoque Mukta, Regional Policy Coordinator, Oxfam GB Asia, Bangkok
- Puspa Sharma, Programme Coordinator, SAWTEE, Kathmandu

### 1830 – 2130 Reception Dinner for participants

**Venue:** Hotel Greenwich Village, Kupondole, Lalitpur