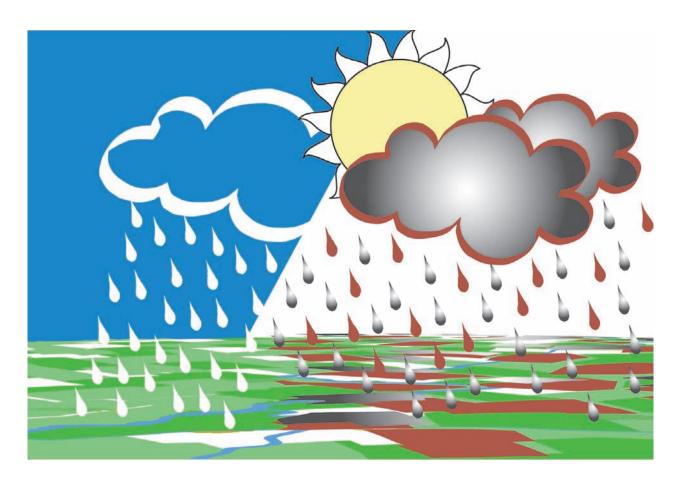




# **Technical Advisory Panel on Climate Change (TAP-CC)**



The Technical Advisory Panel on Climate Change (TAP-CC) assists the Government of Pakistan (GoP) and the Ministry of Environment (MoE) in their efforts to tackle the challenges of climate change.

## **Objectives**

- To provide independent expert advice to the MoE and other GoP institutions for integrating climate change initiatives in national policy and planning.
- To facilitate research on climate change issues in Pakistan.
- To develop national, regional and global linkages to facilitate research and information sharing.
- To make recommendations for the capacity building of national institutions with respect to climate change.

#### **Scope of Work**

- Provide technical advisory services on issues related to climate change, including national position briefs for international negotiations under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and the Kyoto Protocol.
- Identify, prioritise and recommend areas for the development of project proposals.
- Review and carry out technical screening of climate change project proposals.
- Identify, prioritise and recommend areas for research, and assist in incorporating research findings into policies.
- Facilitate research, and provide evaluation and follow-up if required.

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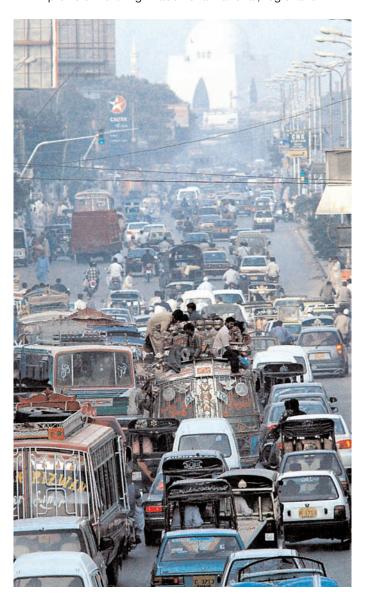




- Advise the MoE to take up specific suggestions with various ministries and departments for the crosssectoral integration of climate change concerns in national policies, plans and programmes.
- Build linkages with regional organisations working on climate change, to benefit from their experience and knowledge.
- Assist in identifying sources of funding and resources to support work on climate change.
- Facilitate and support the participation of TAP-CC members in technical meetings on climate change.
- Raise awareness on the issue of climate change.

### **Composition**

The TAP-CC consists of six regular members, with a provision to bring in additional national, regional or





international expertise concerning specific issues. TAP-CC members are:

- Ministry of Environment (MoE)
- Global Change Impact Studies Centre (GCISC)
- Pakistan Agriculture Research Council (PARC)
- Pakistan Meteorological Department (PMD)
- International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)
- Asia-Pacific Network for Global Change Research

#### **TAP-CC Secretariat**

The TAP-CC Secretariat is housed in IUCN Pakistan's Islamabad office. Its location in Islamabad ensures the maintenance of close links with the MoE as well as TAP-CC members and organisations working inde pendently in the area of climate change. The Secretariat coordinates activities with a designated focal person at the MoE. It manages requests for inputs from the TAP-CC and follows up on recommendations. The Secretariat also organises and coordinates meetings.

#### **Institutional Arrangements**

The TAP-CC meets at least once every four months, in addition to any special meetings that may be called to provide input to the MoE on specific issues. TAP-CC focal persons (principal and alternate) are identified in each member organisation, at least one of whom is required to attend all TAP-CC meetings. The agenda and working papers for meetings are developed by the Secretariat.

The annual TAP-CC work plan is agreed upon and reviewed on a quarterly basis. At each TAP-CC meeting, a plan of action is agreed upon for the next four months. TAP-CC members coordinate joint activities through the TAP-CC email group. A TAP-CC website is under construction.

