

26 October, Kathmandu, Nepal

PROJECT INCEPTION MEETING

SUSTAINABLE, JUST AND PRODUCTIVE WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT IN WESTERN NEPAL

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	Topic	Presenter
8:30 – 9:00	Registration	
	Introductions	Emma Karki
9:00-9:30	Welcome	David Wiberg
	Lighting of the Lamp	Dr Prabhu Budhathoki, Hon. Member, National Planning Commission
	IWMI at a Glance	David Wiberg
	IWMI in Nepal	Fraser Sugden
	Purpose of the Project and Launch of the Project Website	Luna Bharati/Farah Ahmed
9:30-9:45	Talk by USAID	Karolyn Upham, Environment Specialist, Deputy Team Leader - Environment and Energy Team/USAID
	Remarks from Special Guests	
9:45 – 9:55	Remarks from USAID Water (PANI) Program	Allen Turner, Chief of Party USAID Water (PANI) Program
9:55-10:05	Water, the Focal Point Nexus Where All Other Sectors Intersect	Dipak Gyawali, Chairman, NWCF
10:05 – 10:10	Remarks from Department of Irrigation	Basu Dev Lohanee, Deputy Director General, Department of Irrigation (DoI)
10:10- 10:20	Remarks from Joint Secretary of Ministry of Women, Children and Social Welfare	Mr. Narayan Pd. Kaphle, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Women, Children and Social Welfare
10:20-10:30	Remarks from Honourable Member of National Planning Commission	Dr Prabhu Budhathoki, Hon. Member, National Planning Commission
10:30-11:00	<i>Tea Break</i>	
	Work Package Details	
11:00-11:10	WP 1-Basin Characterization	Diana Suhardiman/Luna Bharati
11:10-11:20	WP 2-Environmental Flow Assessment	Subodh Sharma/Nishadi Eriyagama
11:20-11:30	WP 3-Basin Scale Development Scenarios	David Wiberg/Marc Jeuland
11:30-11:40	WP 4-Watershed/Village Water Management and Governance	Fraser Sugden
11:40-11:50	WP 5-Gender and Social Inclusion	Floriane Clement

12:00-1:00	Lunch break	
Stakeholder Dialogues Session Topic: Reconciling Water Futures in Western Nepal Analysing Future Scenarios and Development in Nepal Objectives: to identify current challenges, potential opportunities and future scenarios in Western Nepal.		
1:00 – 1:45	Group Work Problem Tree Analysis – What are the top 3-4 problems, causes and effects in the Karnali and Mahakali basin in Western Nepal’s water futures? (4-5 groups) Groups will be divided based on thematic interest and geographical area of coverage. Groups will have a mixed range of stakeholders covered (Government, Donors, Water experts and Researchers)	Luna Bharati Diana Suhardiman, David Wiberg, Floriane Clement, Luna Bharati
1:45 -2:30	Identifying Options What are the priorities for development options for the Karnali and Mahakali Basin?	Luna Bharati
2:30- 3:00	Report Back and Discuss problem tree analysis and Identifying options	One presenter from each group to be identified for presenting
3:00-3:30	Wrapping Up – Next steps forward	David Wiberg
3:00-4:00	Tea Break	
4:00-5:00	Launching the Ganges River Basin: Status and Challenges in Water, Environment and Livelihoods -Introduction to the book -Authors speak about their experiences -Discussion/questions	Luna Bharati Dipak Gyawali Dwarika Nath Dhungel Prachanda Pradhan
5:00-6:00	Networking event -Cocktail Drinks and Snacks	