

South Asian Conference on Environmental Justice



ADB: The Way Forward

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ADB's Project on Building Capacity for Environmental Prosecution, Adjudication, Dispute Resolution, Compliance and Enforcement in Asia

- Conference supported under ADB's Regional project For ASEAN and SAARC member countries with Indonesia as pilot for ASEAN and Pakistan for SAARC
- Implementation:
 - In Pakistan working with Supreme Court in coordination with IUCN
 - In Indonesia working with Ministry of Environment
 - Completion date: 31 Dec 2013

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Project Activities in Pakistan:

- South Asian conference on environmental justice
- participation in AJNE; knowledge and resource sharing among judges- Pakistan based website developed
- Facilitation for integrated environmental adjudication
- Inclusion of environmental law as a subject in judicial academies for sustainable capacity development

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Project Activities in Indonesia:

- Roundtable for South East Asian judges on Environment
- Participation in AJNE; knowledge and resource sharing among judges
- Continued support for the judicial certification program
- Piloting of an integrated environment enforcement program involving the MOE and the Supreme Court

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Implementation Status:

■ PAK:

- Constitution of the Committee for enhancing Environmental Justice (CEEJ);
- CEEJ Portal containing up-to-date environmental laws, rules, and case law which can feed into the proposed AJNE portal www.ceej.pk
- South Asian Conference on Environmental Justice
- Work in progress for developing curriculum on environmental law for the judicial academies

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Implementation Status:

■ INO:

- Judges' Roundtable on Environment conducted
- Judges adopted a Common Vision on Environment for ASEAN Judiciaries including:
 - i. Collaboration in improving environmental law enforcement
 - ii. Development of an action Plan for Justice, Governance, and the Rule of Law and Sustainable development in ASEAN countries

Continue convening the roundtable; Chief Justice of Malaysia agreed to host the next roundtable in KL in December 2011

ADB's Way Forward

- Establishment of an Asian Judges Network on the Environment (AJNE-Website)
- 2nd Asian Judges Symposium
 - Regional event in late September 2012 at ADB Headquarters in Manila
 - Recommendations from ASEAN roundtable and SAARC Conference will be brought forward
- Supporting UNEP in World Congress.

Thank You!

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