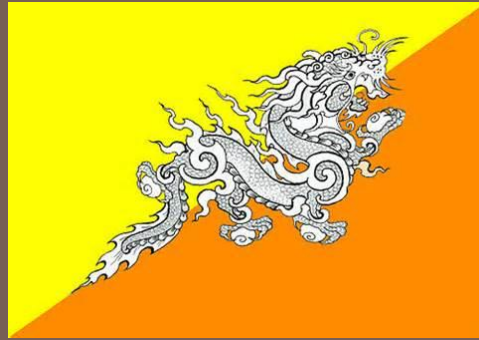


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TODAY'S SPECIAL FEATURE:
FOREST POLICIES FOR THE 21ST CENTURY
Opening Day of the 6th Executive Forest Policy Course

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Opening Day Highlights

- Opening Ceremony
- Creative Introductions
- Introductions to the Course
- Drivers of Change and Societal Changes
- Societal Changes and Forest Policies

The Course: FOREST POLICIES FOR THE 21st Century

□ **Background**

- Multiple Challenges
- Accelerating Pace of Change
- 21st century problems, 20th century policies, institutions
- Asia Pacific Forest Policy Think Tank
- RIO+ 20, green path

□ **Objectives & Expectations**

- Understand complexities of large societal problems
- Be better equip for analysis and propose solutions
- Communicate effectively to different stakeholders



The Course: *FOREST POLICIES FOR THE 21st Century*

□ **Course Components**

Governance and Institutions

Societal Changes ↔ **Policy Process** ↔ ***Forest Policies***

[Drivers of Change]

Communications

- Production of wood and other products
- Social Issues
- Ecological Services
- Global Changes and International Agreements

The Course: FOREST POLICIES FOR THE 21st Century

LEARNING SIDE BY SIDE WITH PEERS IN THE REGION!



DRIVERS OF CHANGE

**factors that will cause or catalyze change
in forestry in the region**

demographic

economic

social

environmental

technological

political and institutional

SOCIAL CHANGES & FOREST POLICIES

drivers of change => fundamental changes in the characteristics of society

transition is not uniform

different segments in society => different uses of forests

SOCIAL CHANGES & FOREST POLICIES

We need to identify & understand:

- **different segments of society**
- **their divergent demands**
- **different implications on the forests**

We need to visualize how composition impacts forest to assess situation in the future.

Concept of FOREST TRANSITION

SOCIAL CHANGES & FOREST POLICIES

POSSIBLE GROUPINGS

- **forest dependent/pre-agrarian societies**
- **agrarian societies**
- **industrial societies**
- **post-industrial societies**

SOCIAL CHANGES & FOREST POLICIES

KEY QUESTIONS:

- **What is the composition of the societies in one's country?**
- **For whom are we formulating forest policies?**

Most conflicts result from policies that excludes or disregards this segment of society!

SOCIAL CHANGES & FOREST POLICIES

FOREST TRANSITION

- **Changes in the proportion of the different segments of society has implications to the forest and how forest policies need to change.**
- **Applies: Environmental Kuznet's curve**
- **Implies:**
 - **At start of development, society uses forest intensively, with attendant decline.**
 - **As society industrializes and urbanizes, situation starts reversing.**
- **Question: What are the chances of forest transition in one's country?**



EXPECTED OUTPUT: POLICY BRIEF

- **22 topics into 7 topics**
- **Work together, sharing of experience and jointly write a brief**
- **Focusing on issue identification, analysis of the causes and proposing appropriate solutions**
- **Potential for publication by the Asia Pacific Forestry Think Tank**

STAY TUNED! WE'LL BE RIGHT BACK!

