

**CENTRAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE FOR DRYLAND AGRICULTURE  
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***Stakeholders' Consultation on Climate Change Platform***

**Venue: CRIDA**

**Dates: 19-20 September 2011**

The Indian council of Agricultural Research has identified about 20 'Platforms' (thrust areas) for pursuing research during XII Five-year plan in agriculture and allied sectors and identified nodal institutes for developing the detailed project reports for inclusion in the plan document. One of the platforms is on Climate Change.

Climate change and variability is emerging as a serious threat to achieving and sustaining self-sufficiency in the food, fodder and fibre requirements of the country. The increasing frequency of occurrence of extreme weather events is adversely affecting the crop productivity and income of farmers. Awareness building among various stakeholders and developing suitable adaptation and mitigation strategies will greatly help in reducing the adverse impacts and thereby enhancing resilience of agriculture to climate change.

During the 11<sup>th</sup> Five Year Plan, a new scheme 'National Initiative on Climate Resilient Agriculture (NICRA)' has been started to build state of art infrastructure to conduct basic and strategic research on climate change vis-à-vis agriculture; build awareness among various stakeholders; develop human resources to undertake research and demonstrate the best bet practices on farmers' fields to cope with the climate variability.

The **Climate Change Platform** envisages an inclusive programme development through consultations with various stakeholders – National Agricultural Research System including research institutes and state agricultural universities, NGOs, development research institutes, line departments and farmers' interest groups. It is proposed to hold a Stakeholder Consultation during 19-20 September, 2011 at Central Research Institute for Dryland Agriculture (CRIDA), Santoshnagar, Hyderabad with a view to identify possible partners to be involved in the proposed platform during XII Five-year plan. Those who are actively involved in climate change research and awareness building among communities in agriculture and allied sector including water resources and would like to attend the Consultation may register by sending a **two- page write up** containing the profile of the organization and its current activities/ interests. The write up may be sent by email to [director@crida.ernet.in](mailto:director@crida.ernet.in) or [vbandi\\_1953@yahoo.com](mailto:vbandi_1953@yahoo.com) on or before 05.09.2011. For any further information, please contact Dr. S. Desai at [desai1959@yahoo.com](mailto:desai1959@yahoo.com) or Dr. C.A. Rama Rao at [carrao@crida.ernet.in](mailto:carrao@crida.ernet.in). The shortlisted organizations will be invited to participate in the said Consultation Meeting. **The participants have to meet their travelling and other expenses on their own.**

**Director, CRIDA**

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**Proforma for Registration for Stakeholders' Consultation**  
**19-20 September 2011**

<b>S No</b>	<b>Details</b>	
1	Name of the organization	
2	Profile of the organization	
3	Name of the contact person and designation	
4	Target area of work (Mention States/regions/districts and commodities of your focus)	
4	Contact address including telephone, fax and email	
5	Ongoing activities related to climate change	
	a. Research	
	b. Development	
	c. Policy advocacy	
	d. Awareness building and Human Resource Development	
	e. Any other	
6	Major issues/perspectives on future climate change research and policy formulation you may like to flag	
7	Please mention as to how you can contribute to the platform	
	a. Technology Development	
	b. Technology Dissemination	
	c. Awareness building and Farmers' training	
	d. Policy Research and Advocacy	
	e. Any others (Please specify)	

Note: Please fill up the proforma not exceeding two pages and submit electronically to [director@crida.ernet.in](mailto:director@crida.ernet.in) on or before 05.09.2011.

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