



# The Common Property Resource Digest

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## *New Location for the Digest*

Winrock International Institute for Agricultural Development, the International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT) and the International Association for the Study of Common Property (IASCP) have reached an agreement to publish the *Common Property Resource Digest* at ICRISAT in India. We thank you for your patience during the transition from St. Paul to Patancheru.

### **Grant from Ford Foundation**

The Ford Foundation has made a grant to the IASCP for 1993-95 to support the publication of the *Common Property Resource Digest* and conference travel for scholars based in less developed countries to attend IASCP meetings. The IASCP is most grateful.

### **New Editors**

With the move of the *Digest* to ICRISAT, John M. Kerr will be the new Editor. Ashwani Gupta will be the Managing Editor. Fenton Martin continues as the Secretary-Treasurer.

### **New Masthead**

The new masthead design serves as a reminder of the new venue. The village scene was chosen as it is a typical setting of common property resource management in South Asia. People are conspicuous in the illustration

because of their central role in common property resource management regimes. The art work was done by A.A. Majid of ICRISAT.

### **Submissions to the Digest**

Despite the new venue and masthead, the content and international focus of the *Digest* will not change. It will continue to carry announcements of workshops, conferences, publications, vacancies and the like. We would wish to include information about ongoing and planned research activities related to common property. The information we provide depends on the information we receive. Therefore please write to us and send items that you think should be included in the *Digest*. We look forward to suggestions and comments. Material for the *Digest* should be sent to the Managing Editor, CPR Digest at either of the two addresses below:

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Winrock is an autonomous, nonprofit organization whose activities are funded by grants, contracts, contributions from public and private sources, and its endowment.

## **About ICRISAT**

The semi-arid tropics (SAT) encompasses parts of 48 developing countries including most of India, parts of southeast Asia, a swath across sub-Saharan Africa, much of southern and eastern Africa, and parts of Latin America. Many of these countries are among the poorest in the world. Approximately one sixth of the world's population lives in the SAT, which is typified by unpredictable weather, limited and erratic rainfall, and nutrient-poor soils.

ICRISAT's mandate crops are sorghum, pearl millet, finger millet, chickpea, pigeonpea, and groundnut; these six crops are vital to life for the ever-increasing populations of the semi-arid tropics. ICRISAT's mission is to conduct research which can lead to enhanced sustainable production of these crops and to

improved management of the limited natural resources of the SAT. ICRISAT communicates information on technologies as they are developed through workshops, networks, training, library services, and publishing. ICRISAT was established in 1972. It is one of 18 nonprofit, research and training centers funded through the Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR). The CGIAR is an informal association of approximately 50 public and private sector donors; it is co-sponsored by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the World Bank, and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).

## **1995 and 1996 IASCP Meetings**

Elsewhere in this issue the preliminary program for the 1993 IASCP meeting in Manila is presented. Arrangements for subsequent meetings are not yet finalized, but we would like to share preliminary plans members of the Common Property Resource Network. To date, no meeting is scheduled for 1994. The 1995 meetings are to be held in Norway. Erling Berge has obtained a grant from the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs to support preparations for the 1995 IASCP meetings. The Center for Sustainable Development at the Agricultural University of Norway and the Norwegian Association for Development Research have already indicated their willingness to act as sponsors.

The 1996 meeting is tentatively scheduled for June at the University of California, Berkeley. Groups interested in hosting future IASCP meetings should contact a member of the Executive Council.

## *New Publications on Common Property*

### **World Resources Institute Strengthening Institutions for Environmental Development**

International institutions - particularly those of the U.N system - can play a critical role in achieving global environment protection and sustainable development. The paper highlights

the present and future challenges facing the international system and pinpoints the shortcomings in existing arrangements. The author recommends reforms in monitoring and assessment, environmental management, integrated planning for sustainable development, and building national capacities in all these areas.

**Kimball, Lee A.** 1992. Forging international agreement: strengthening inter-governmental institutions for environment and development. World Resources Institute. 85pp. ISBN 0-915825-82-1. \$9.95

#### Environmental Information Almanac

This Almanac offers a reference on a variety of environmental concerns such as energy efficient home appliances, auto emissions, global warming, pesticides, food safety and waste management. It includes an environmental profile of 146 countries.

Hammond, A. (editor). 1991. The 1992 information please environmental almanac. World Resources Institute. 606pp. ISBN 0-395-59626-2 (paper) \$9.95; 0-395-59265-4 (cloth) \$21.95.

#### **Oxford Forestry Institute**

Local Management of Trees: A Tenurial Niche Approach

This study of forest and woodland management in the rural areas of Zimbabwe begins from two relatively new conceptual starting points: the social forest and the

tenurial niche. The social forest is a concept encompassing the more traditional view of forests, taking into consideration all trees used by local people. The concept of tenurial niche looks at property relations allowing for the complexities that tree tenure introduces. The study uses interviews, literature review and rapid rural appraisal to examine four management mechanisms—sacred controls, pragmatic controls, civil contract and new institutions and rules. These are examined across various tenurial niches and suggestions are offered for improving management and reducing conflict in each niche.

Fortmann, L. and C. Nhira. 1992. Local Management of Trees and Woodland Resources in Zimbabwe: A Tenurial Niche Approach. Occasional Paper 43, Oxford Forestry Institute, Oxford, U.K.

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WWF India has established the Center for Environmental Law (CEL) in New Delhi to strengthen the support base for environmental policy and law in India and other developing countries. The activities of CEL include:

- **developing a central depository for legal information;**
- **running educational programs for human resources development;**
- **organizing policy research for formulation or amendments of environmental laws at national and international levels;**

- **networking with government and non-government organizations dealing with environmental issues;**
- **monitoring implementation of environmental laws;**
- **providing legal consultancy to national and international agencies for designing, reviewing or implementing projects and plans.**

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## *International Association for the Study of Common Property* **Fourth Annual Common Property Conference**

Tentative Schedule

### June 15, 1993

0900-1700 IASCP Board Meeting

1700-2100 Registration and Cocktails  
Reception (Cash Bar)

### June 16, 1993

0830-1030 Opening Plenary Session  
Chair: Ben Malayang HI  
Welcome Address: Enrique Pacardo  
Presidential Address: Daniel Bromley Keynote  
Speakers:  
Hon. Sec. Angel Alcalá  
Hon. Min. Emil Salim

1100-1230 Concurrent Session 1

A. Indigenous Forest Management Systems:  
Experiences from South Asia  
Chair: Gautam N. Yadama

B. Common Property Fisheries Under Stress,  
Part 1  
Chair: Robert S. Pomeroy

C. Communal Labor, Common Property and  
the Farm  
Chair: Robert M. Netting

D. Environmental Conflicts: Trans-boundary  
and Open Access Issues

Chair: Pieter Glasbergen

E. Forest Resource Management Under  
Conditions of Increasing Competition and  
Degradation  
Chair: J.E.M. Arnold

1230-1400 Poster Session I and Lunch

1400-1530 Concurrent Session 2

A. Near-shore Fisheries as a Regional  
Commons  
Chair: Fikert Berkes

B. Recent Developments in Irrigation Policy  
and Research in Nepal  
Chair: Ganesh P. Shivakoti

C. Common Property in Mountain Ecosystems  
in India and Nepal  
Chair: N.S. Jodha

D. Common Property Land Issues in Thailand  
Chair: Charles B. Mehl

E. Socioeconomic Aspects of Fishery  
Management

Chair: Suzanne E. Siskel

1600-1730 Plenary Session 2

Panel Discussion on International Forestry Data  
Base  
Chair: Elinor Ostrom

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0830-1000 Concurrent Session 3

A. Forest Resources Administration and Development in China  
Chair: Nick Menzies

B. Management of Stressed Tropical Marine Resources  
Chair: Marie Antonette R. Juinio

C. Common Property Management and Transition in Japan  
Chair: Margaret McKean

D. Tenure, Self-Determination and Ancestral Domains  
Chair: Herminia Francisco

E. Population Pressure, Agricultural Intensification, and Institutional Change  
Chair: James Roumasset

1030-1200 Concurrent Session 4

A. Panel discussion: Comparative Traditional Property Systems in Africa  
Chair: Hyacinth I. Ajaegbu

B. Common Property Fisheries Under Stress, Part 2  
Chair: Jose E. Padilla

C. Attitudes and Perceptions of Communal Management in the Philippines  
Chair: Yianna Lambrou

D. Common Property Arrangements for Non-Timber Uses of Forest  
Chair: June Prill-Brett

1200-1330 Poster Session 2 and Lunch

1330-1500 Concurrent Session 5

A. Institutional Responses to Population Pressure on Resources  
Chair: Maria Concepcion J. Cruz

B. Management of Stressed Tropical Marine Resources - Part II  
Chair: L.T.McManus

C. Controlling Environmental Degradation: Common Property Approaches  
Chair: Le Trong Cuo

D. Bureaucratic Responses to Pressures for Improved Management of Fisheries and Water  
Chair: Evelyn Pinkerton

1530-1730 Plenary Session 3

Panel Discussion: Common Property Policy Issues and Research Needs Towards Sustainable Management of Resources in the Philippines  
Chair: Enrique Pacardo

1730-1800 Briefing on Field trips

1900-2200 IASCP Business Meeting and Banquet Dinner

June 18, 1993

Field Trips

June 19, 1993

0830-1000 Concurrent Session 6

A. Policy Issues in the Management of Philippine Forests  
Chair: Michael B. Wallace

B. Research Needs for Aquaculture Development in the Coastal Commons  
Chair: Gary Newkirk

C. Community Based Resource Management in the Philippines  
Chair: Marvic M.V.F. Leonen

D. Economic and User Incentives to Resource Management  
Chair: Ponciano Intal

1030-1200 Concurrent Session 7

A. Comparative Common Resource Management  
Chair: Richard Edwards

**B. Promoting Community-Based Management of Tropical Forests in Asia**

**Chair: Owen J. Lynch**

C. Government Policies and Common Property Resources

**Chair: Mary Racelis**

D. Effects of Changing Social Conditions on Property Rights and the Environment

**Chair: Maliha Hussein**

**1330-1500 Concurrent Session 8**

A. Panel Discussion: The Economics of Common Property

**Chair: Gershon Feder**

B. Mapping Customary Lands

**Chair: Jefferson Fox**

C. Competition and Disputes in Fishery and Aquatic Resources

**Chair: James Thomson**

D. Panel on Laguna Lake

**Chair: Corazon Lamug**

**1530-1800 Closing Plenary Session 4**

Theme: Sustainable Management of Natural Resources—Issues for Common Property

**Chair: Emil Q. Javier**

Keynote Speakers: Kenneth Mackay, B.Ganguli

## *Workshops and Conferences*

**Community Management and Common Property of Coastal Fisheries and Upland Resources in Asia and the Pacific: Concepts, Methods and Experiences**

June 20-23, 1993

International Institute for Rural Reconstruction, Silang, Philippines (following IASCP meeting)

For more information and invitations, contact Dr. Claire Thompson, IDRC-Canada, 250 Albert Street, PO Box 3500, Ottawa, Canada K1G 3H9.

**12th Biennial International Estuarine Research Federation Conference**

The conference theme is "The Science and Management of Estuarine Coastal Systems". In

addition to the opening and closing plenary sessions, five concurrent sessions are planned with emphasis on:

- Society and Estuarine Coastal Systems
- Technological Applications
- Dynamics and Processes
- Regional Problems and Solutions
- Education and Other Topics

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