

ClimaRice Annual Stakeholders Conference

The ClimaRice project's annual workshop was held in Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu, on February 21st. More than 200 farmers, managers and scientists met to discuss climate change and food production.

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The Climarice book was also presented at the conference.

The ClimaRice project, funded by [the Royal Norwegian Embassy in India](#), held its annual workshop in Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu, on February 21st. One of the major focus areas of the project is stakeholder integration in the project. The project team uses this opportunity to share scientific results with farmers and representatives from government agencies, take their feedback and revise the results. It is also an opportunity for the participants to increase their knowledge about climate change, impacts and adaptation. In ClimaRice, attempts are being made to standardize some of the stakeholder integration methodologies, based on the experiences from each year.



More than 200 attended the conference in Coimbatore.

Since a majority of the farmers in rice production systems are small scale (less than 2 hectares), it is important to develop simple technologies that can be easily adaptable, and addressing the needs identified by stakeholders. In the project, socio-economic vulnerability mapping has been carried out in the Cauvery and Krishna river basins, and based on that, adaptation strategies including technical measures are developed.



The press in Tamil Nadu showed great interest for the conference and the project results.

More than 200 people representing farmers, women's self-help groups, NGO's, government agencies and scientists contributed to the event hosted by the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University.



Different rice varieties were presented in the break.