

2nd seminar of "Mountain Landscape Studies"

Title: Mountain Resources and Sustainable Livelihoods in Hindu Kush-Himalayan Region

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Abstract: Mountains are the sources of nearly half of the fresh water resources, forest resources, much of the biodiversity and rich in socio-cultural diversities. They are considered as the source of inspiration and are adventure destinations for the people around the globe. Considering the Hindu Kush-Himalayan Region and its people, a small attempt is made to assess the importance of mountain resources for the people residing there in the mountain itself and its downstream. The mountains of the Hindu Kush-Himalayan Region are relatively new and fragile and yet, mountain populations are marginalized - politically, economically, culturally, and geographically - and remain disproportionately poor and their livelihoods have been not improved much.