

## **Component 4: National Climate Change Adaptation Policy and Implementation Strategy**

### Draft National Policy and Implementation plan

Outstanding Issues Papers will be completed by March 2001. The second series of country visits by the RPIU technical team (RPIU and consultants) will commence in February. Countries have already developed plans for drafting their National Policies and Implementation Plans. It is anticipated that the country visits and consultations will lead to the development of the draft National Policy.

Each country will be required to further develop the draft policy through a series of consultations with the national stakeholders who will be identified during the country visit. The individual drafts will be reviewed by a RPIU managed technical team and finalized in full consultation with the respective countries.

### Regional policy

The National policy documents, once developed, will inform policy analysis and development at the regional level which is critical if any national policy is to be effective. The policy documents will form the basis of a Regional workshop that will define a draft Regional Climate Change Adaptation Policy. The workshop will also serve as a forum for exchanging country experiences in elucidating National policies and identifying areas of commonality in the respective implementation plans, which may form the basis of input into IMPACC.

At the end of this reporting period it is anticipated that:

- All draft National Climate Change Adaptation policies and Implementation plans will be completed;
- Most of these will be finalized and ready for adoption by the local decision-making machinery;
- A regional workshop to develop a regional policy will be completed; and
- A draft Regional Policy will be ready for finalization.

Through the national consultations a comprehensive public awareness programme of activities will have been initiated in each country

Strategies required to achieve the adoption of the policies into the national decision-making (system) will have been identified.