


**Summer Field School [Online] on
 MOUNTAIN ECOSYSTEMS AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT
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DELEGATE PARTICIPANT'S PROFILE

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Highest Education	PhD (Geography); DLitt (Geography)
Personal Statement	<p>Greetings! I would like to submit herewith the facts substantially in support of my candidature for the forthcoming Summer School on 'Mountain Ecosystems and Resource Management'. I have actively been working on various research aspects, including natural resources management, environment, development, mountain ecosystem, and cultural aspects of the Himalayan region for the past three decades. Most of the research has been conducted in remote rural mountainous areas of the Himalaya. I did my Ph.D. (1992) and D.Litt. (2011) on farming systems, livelihoods and development aspects. So far, I have published above 110 research papers and 32 books on natural and cultural aspects of the Himalaya and most of them are published in peer-reviewed journals and by the International Publishers, respectively. I have contributed substantially to these aspects and my work is well documented worldwide. A number of national and international research projects (Total 14), mainly on mountainous regions, have been carried out by me. Among them, three international collaborative projects were conducted with the Institute of Mountain Hazards and Development,</p>

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	<p>Chinese Academy of Sciences, Chengdu, China. I worked as the team leader in these projects. The scientific reports of these projects have been published. During my 27 years of teaching and research career, I have devoted my full time and work for sustainable Himalayan development. This can be noticed from the fact that out of my total publications - both papers and books - more than 95% are published on the Himalayan region mainly on the Indian Central Himalayan region, the Eastern Extension of the Himalaya i.e. Mizoram and mountainous region of Sichuan Province of China. Similarly, I have presented more than 100 papers in international and nation seminars/symposiums /conferences and out of which, above 95% of papers were presented in the Himalayan region. I am a mid-career researcher and faculty. I believe this summer course will enhance my research ability on the mountain ecosystem and resource management and will provide insight into classroom teaching. I will contribute substantially to the symposium by presenting a paper on 'Management of Natural Resources for Sustainable Development and Rural Livelihoods in Mizoram, the Eastern Extension of Himalaya. Also, I am keenly interested to participate in the summer school.</p>
Paper/Presentation Title	<i>Management of Natural Resources for Sustainable Development and Rural Livelihoods in Mizoram, the Eastern Extension of Himalaya</i>
Keywords	Sustainability; Natural Resources; Livelihoods; Himalayas
Abstract (100-300 words)	<p>The state of Mizoram, lies in the eastern extension of the Himalaya, obtains abundant natural resources in the forms of the forest, water, spectacular landscapes, and feasible climate however, these resources are largely unused. Further, Mizoram characterizes primitive economy, where livelihoods of the people depend mainly on the production of biomass-based agriculture systems, livestock farming and on the use of forest products. Meanwhile, the output from these sources of livelihood does not meet the food requirements and thus, the people suffer from chronic poverty and malnutrition. This paper examines the management of natural resources for sustainable rural livelihoods in Mizoram, Northeast India. About 86% area in Mizoram is under forests with 1,092 forest species. Therefore, Mizoram is one of the mega biodiversity hotspots of the world.</p>

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	<p>A number of perennial rivers originate and flow from the state. Annual average rainfall is high (2,400 mm). It has about 4,500 MW electricity generation capacity, whereas, only 29.35 MW (0.7%) electricity is harnessed. Besides the abundant resources, about 53% of people in the study villages are engaged in agriculture and allied activities. A large number of people (51.3%) live below the poverty line of which, 17.6% live below chronic poverty. The state suffers from the occurrence of natural disasters, mainly landslides, flash floods, and earthquakes. Area-specific policy measures are required to sustainable use of natural resource – forests, water, climate, and sustainable tourism activities that will lead to sustainable development and rural livelihoods in Mizoram, the eastern extension of the Himalaya, the study revealed.</p>
More Information (weblinks)	<p>https://mzu.edu.in/departments-of-geography-and-resource-management/ https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Vishwambhar-Sati https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=NyCuGOcAAAAJ&hl=en</p>