

# INSTITUTE OF MOUNTAIN ENVIRONMENT

BHADERWAH CAMPUS, UNIVERSITY OF JAMMU

aspire to act as centre par excellence for undertaking trans-disciplinary research on multifaceted problems confronting mountain environments and its people



## MISSION

In the pursuit of environmental conservation and sustainable development in mountainous areas

## VISION

Institute of Mountain Environment aspires to strive for providing assistance and better understanding on key environmental concerns, services and livelihoods for environmentally sustainable development and to help government, society and especially the underprivileged hill people of region

## MANDATE

Institute of Mountain Environment aims to conserve high priority mountain eco-systems, increase environmentally and culturally sustainable livelihoods for mountain communities, promote support for mountain cultures and issues through advocacy, research and outreach. The key strategic areas prioritized to be included under the domain of the centre would be biodiversity conservation and management, climate change, hill water resource management, mountain risks and disasters, EIA, ecological degradation and pollution, tourism, rural livelihood and socio-economic framework etc.

IME will help translate key concerns into operational action areas and optimize the use of financial, human, and institutional resources locally and globally

## OBJECTIVES

- to conduct research and scientific studies on mountain ecosystems and generate database and information systems for environmental assessment and integrated management
- to interact and collaborate with organizations at national and international levels in areas of academics, research and training on environmentally appropriate technologies and viable practices
- to generate information database to facilitate evaluation, monitoring and management of environmental risks, hazards and natural disasters in mountains
- to conceptualize natural resource management practices for sustainable livelihood in fragile environs
- to conduct studies and generate data on alternative livelihood options and diversified production with effective community participation
- to improve co-ordination of regional efforts to protect fragile mountain ecosystems through consideration of appropriate mechanisms including regional, legal and other instruments