

## **BIRD conducts first programme on Climate Change in Afghanistan**

### **Regional workshop on Climate Change Financing for Action on Climate Today (ACT)/DFID, Kabul, Afghanistan [26-29 March 2017]**

BIRD Lucknow conducted first time a programme on climate change financing as a part of consultancy assignment for Action on Climate Today (ACT) Afghanistan /India organised a **Regional workshop on Climate Change Financing at Kabul Afghanistan**. Action on Climate Today (ACT) is an initiative of Department of International Development (DFID), UK and managed by Oxford Policy Management.

Workshop was attended by representatives of important Ministries of Afghanistan like National Environment Protection Agency [NEPA], Ministry of Finance, Agriculture and Rural Development besides representation from Kabul University.

The focus of the workshop was on

1. Climate change issues in Afghanistan and Policy Framework for Climate Proofing; Vulnerability Assessment/ Exposure/ Sensitivity; Adaptation and Mitigation;
2. Introduction to funding mechanisms; Operational procedures under various international funding sources with focus on Adaptation Fund[AF] ,Green Climate Fund [GCF] and Green Environment Fund [GEF].
3. Socio-Economic Assessment- Community Engagement and Stakeholders Consultations in climate adaptation projects - Environmental assessment.
4. Result Framework & Log Frame analysis as monitoring tool.

His Excellency Prince Mostapha Zaher, Member of the Cabinet, Member of the Council of Ministers and Director-General, National Environmental Protection Agency[NEPA], Afghanistan, during the valedictory function of the workshop appreciated the effectiveness of the programme and expressed desire for very close association with NABARD in the areas of climate change finance.

The faculty team at the end of the workshop had a detailed meeting with Action on Climate Change Today [ACT], Afghanistan along with representatives of NEPA, Climate Finance Unit [CFU] on the follow up action to this workshop. The team believes that NABARD & BIRD could have long term role in the area of Climate Change Finance in Afghanistan.

Our Collaborations can be in the form workshops and training programmes for capacity building of Stakeholders, helping Governments and other stakeholders in formulation of appropriate concept notes and DPRs on priority areas in the state/ country, helping in accreditation process, putting in place structure of institutions and policy guidelines for climate change finance and other such related areas.

The workshop was coordinated by Dr Sudhanshu K K Mishra, DGM /Faculty along with Sh K I Shariff, DGM /Faculty along with faculty support from Sh. Sachin Vishnu Kamble, AGM, FSPD NABARD HO

Some photographs of the workshop are placed below



**Inauguration: BIRD Team along with DDG, NEPA, Afghanistan Mr. Malikyar and Director Climate Change Mr. Ghulam Hassan Amiri**



**H. E Prince Mostapha Zaher, Member of the Cabinet, Member of the Council of Ministers and Director-General, National Environmental Protection Agency[NEPA] along With Abdul Azim Doosti, ACT Afghanistan and NABARD team**



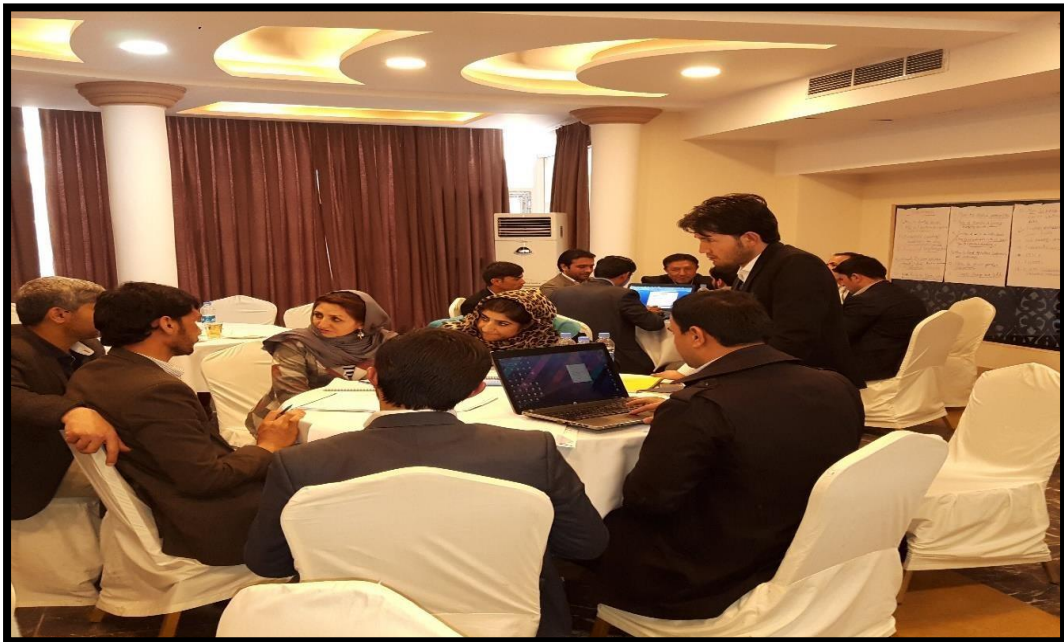
**Session in progress**



**Lady participants to the workshop**



**Group**



**Group work**