

Rare UN honour for Aaranyak



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United Nations Framework Convention on [Climate Change](#) (UNFCCC) at Bonn in Germany have announced 2014 Lighthouse Activity [Award](#) jointly for [Aaranyak](#) and International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development.

The rare honour was announced on Tuesday for its successful implementation of the Community Based Flood Early Warning [System](#) in Lakhimpur and Dhemaji districts. [Aaranyak](#) and DDMA's will receive the award at Lima in Peru on December 11 during the COP-20(United [National Climate Change](#) Conference).

In a letter ICIMOD Director General Dr. David Molden said, “we greatly appreciate the support of the concerned District Disaster Management Authorities in Assam, [Aaranyak](#), SEE and the local communities in piloting CB-FEWS project in India.” He hoped that the service would be expanded to other Hindu Kush Himalayan countries to disseminate flood information to the most vulnerable communities.

The CBFEWS Project from Assam has been chosen under the focus area of ICT (Information and Communication [Technology](#)) solutions. Notably, CBFEWS makes innovative use of ICT by deploying simple electronic sensors to produce flood warning signal, wireless technology for transmitting signals and mobile phones for disseminating flood warning messages to and through a wide network of communities and Government agencies.



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