

**Workshop on; “Carbon Credits Potential in Sugar Industry of Pakistan”.
10th of April 2008, Holiday Inn, Lahore**

WORKSHOP REPORT

The Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) Cell of the Ministry of Environment organized a one day workshop on “Carbon Credits Potential in Sugar Industry of Pakistan” held on 10th April 2008, at Holiday Inn, Lahore.

2. The workshop was attended by more than 100 participants from different national and international consultants, included representatives from sugar manufacturing industries and companies. This was for the first time that a number of investors, CDM project advisory companies and international validator companies were also present.

3. The day was started with the recitation of the verses from Holy Quran, with welcome note by Mr. Saadullah Ayaz, Acting Head CDM Cell. In his address he said that Pakistan had a significant potential for sugar industry. Developing Clean Development Mechanism projects in this sector could provide a great opportunity to domestic and foreign investors to benefit from this initiative. He said that this important sector would not only help earning additional revenue, but would also help the companies in this sector to comply with the National Environmental Quality Standards in addition to achieving the objectives of their corporate social values.

4. On the day, presentations and discussions were held on introduction to climate change and how to face its challenge. The concept of Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) was introduced and benefits of developing CDM projects in sugar industry were discussed. The presentations by CDM Experts Mr. Irfanullah and Syed Amjad Hussain highlighted Pakistan National Operational Strategy of CDM and also focused on the current CDM initiatives of the Government of Pakistan and various activities at national level. Mr. Hussain also presented the guidelines for development of CDM projects. Presentations were also made by representatives from Sugar Industries.

5. The participants and representatives asked different questions regarding potential of developing CDM projects in Sugar Industry and various issues in this regard were also

discussed. The presenters also responded to the queries of the participants which were mostly related to CDM Project Design Documents, carbon finance, PDD cost etc.

6. The workshop ended with a panel discussion conducted by all the presenters during which different possibilities in promoting the CDM business in Sugar Industry and the strategy for carbon market of Pakistan were discussed.