



**RUPES**

**Rewarding Upland Poor  
for Environmental Services**



**RUPES** – A program for developing mechanisms for rewarding the upland poor in Asia for the environmental services they provide



**Impact** – A deeper and more practical understanding of how to formulate environmental transfer agreements, their viability and potential for wider use;  
An intellectual focal point for collection and analysis of experience;  
To feed into government planning for environmental management and poverty alleviation in the uplands of Asia; Rewards to upland communities



**Our approach** – Through action research we will build working models of best practices for successful environmental transfer agreements adapted to Asian context

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