### Ozone layer protection & soil, water and bio dynamics

A need based

Science & Technology Communication perspective

An integrated earth sciences framework

to complement India's missions on

climate change mitigation and adaptation

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## Context for valued added S&T Communication: The UV B link

#### • India:

- 12<sup>th</sup> 5 year Plan emphasis on preventive management
- Agriculture
- Community health
- UV B Index of ISRO
- Evolving understanding of pest / vector dynamics & Host plant resistance

- Knowledge gaps: India & A global perspective
  - Individual & synergistic impacts of temp. change & UV B
  - Other physico chemical influences including moisture rainfall & nutrients
  - Biochemical profiles of response by the biotic component
  - Ozone Depleting Substances& global warming
  - Awareness and preparedness of communities about preventive action

## Missions & Opportunities: Science & Scientific temper consolidation

- 1. Climate resilient agriculture
- 2. Water Mission
- 3. LULUCF
- 4. Green India
- 5. Public health

- UV B Network of IMD
- ISRO IMAP
- Solar maps

### **Agenda**

- A. Research
- B. Awareness for well informed action
- **C.** Community initiatives
- D. Policy & Plan, Programmes & Projects for preventive action.

Stimulate demand for Collective & Corrective action

# A bottom up approach through applied S&T Communication

- Logical framework
  - Goals, Approaches, Tools and Techniques & Indicators of
    - Delivering appropriate information in a timely manner:
       Public
    - Awareness as a forerunner of training & Capacity building:
       Public & providers of alternatives
    - Support to mainstream alternatives and other preventive measures including rewards for well informed action:
       Decision makers
    - Status of enablers
    - Involvement in national missions

## Some low hanging fruits: One year Towards improved Public Understanding of Science for Sustainable need based action

- Vigyan Prasar & IGU / AGU with research centres & experts (ISRO, PRL, NPL, NCL, IMD, MoES, ICMR / VCRC, ICAR / NICRA / Planning Commn, WMO, NASA, UNEP)
  - Compendium on
    - UV B incidence & Sunburn Index
    - Preventive strategies for health
    - Impacts on vegetation and adaptive strategies
  - Reality checks on
    - Present outreach mechanisms and synergies
    - Medium term facilitation to sustain term action: 3 5 years
  - Delivery phase