Mainstreaming Sustainability in Indian Financial Institutions

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**UNEP FI** is a unique global partnership between **UNEP** and **financial institutions** worldwide.

167 banks, insurers and asset management companies comprise the partnership with UNEP.

**UNEP FI** develops global standards, guidelines and best practice approaches to sustainability for financial institutions.
>US $6 Trillion
Global poll of managers who feel that the following factors will become or will remain important in five years, average, per cent

- Climate Change: 55%
- Corporate Governance: 37%
- Employee Relations: 31%
- Environmental Management: 42%
- Health Issues: 25%
- Human Rights: 19%
- Sustainability: 34%
- Water (Use/Access to Clean Water): 36%

Source: Mercer Investment Consulting; The Observer (UK) - 7 May 2006
The Materiality of Social, Environmental and Corporate Governance Issues to Equity Pricing

"It is becoming increasingly clear that sustainable development will be one of the major drivers of industrial change over the next fifty years and that there is a growing demand from both companies and institutional investors to understand its financial impacts."

Colin Morris
Head of European Equity Research, HSBC

11 Sector Studies by Brokerage House Analysts at the Request of the UNEP Finance Initiative Asset Management Working Group
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UNEP FI Asia Pacific Task Force

45 Signatories to UNEP FI in the Asia Pacific
Countries include Australia, China, India, Indonesia, Japan, Philippines, Korea, and Thailand

Development of work programmes at APTF – 2006/07

- Awareness-raising in India, China, Indonesia, Korea
- Training workshops to build capacity around sustainable finance
- Research project on “Sustainable Banking in India”
Outreach

Newsletter **0.618...**: yearly (thematic)

**e-bulletin**: monthly (9,000 subscribers)

**At a Glance**: yearly (outline of UNEP FI)

**unepfi.org**: over 200,000 visitors a year
Moving UNEP FI Forward in India

The world is watching how India’s economic development will rise to the sustainable development challenge.
UNEP FI Global Roundtable 2007

- **LOCATION:** Melbourne, Australia
- **DATE:** 24th – 25th October, 2007
- **FINANCIALTIMES:** 2007 Sustainability Banking Awards - Asia