

## IWMI Signs Agreement with Ashoka Trust For Research In Ecology And Environment (ATREE)

IWMI signed a 10-month contract with the Bengaluru-based Ashoka Trust for Research in Ecology and Environment (ATREE) as a part of its SDC-SoLAR project.

Under this agreement, ATREE will research the following:

- Estimate the price elasticity of demand for groundwater for 6 major crops at the district level.
- Develop a theoretical framework to determine where solar irrigation can improve water access without stressing the available groundwater resources.
- To develop a district-level map showing areas suitable for further up-scaling of solar irrigation.

More information about ATREE can be found [here](#).

IWMI's Deputy Director-General, Dr Rachael McDonnell and Chief Operating Officer and Registrar Vamsidhar Pothula of ATREE signed the agreement on 30 July 2021.