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## CUTS kicks off strategy talks on sustainable growth and Renewable Energy

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In the current times when sustainability is the buzz word, Jaipur based CUTS International and Friendrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES) today introduced a method on how it could be achieved despite the limitations.

This is particularly important for a state like Rajasthan which has a huge potential for Renewable Energy. Interestingly, the methodology introduced today aims to bring together conflicting interests and evolve a transformative strategy while working with those interests.

Various stakeholders reacted positively to the methodology and contributed their valuable inputs. The event's success can be gauged by the fact that willingness to work together evolved by the end of the discussion.

This group of stakeholders is a part of a larger set identified in Rajasthan. Similar yet simultaneously approach is being employed in West Bengal, Delhi and at international level by CUTS and FES. The project will be spanned over 2-3 years and aims to put out thorough and well vetted project proposals for implementation.

Representation in the stakeholder group included financial institutions, manufactures, project developers, consumer activists and academia amongst others.

Over next three months CUTS International and FES will steer several such meetings at various places and aims to connect key stakeholders from state to international level so that a community of transformative change makers can be seeded for a lasting impact.

The core idea behind the project is to have this community which can self-propel itself and lead to implementation of large scale transformative projects.

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