



7th INDIA WATER WEEK 2022

1 - 5 NOVEMBER 2022

Theme: Water Security for Sustainable Development with Equity

Venue: India Expo Centre, Greater Noida



Day 4 of India Water Week, another day of exciting and though-provoking sessions by our speakers/panelists and chairpersons who shared and enriched the sessions with their view-points and knowledge. Another day with another wave of enthusiasm.

EVENT BY INDIA-EU WATER PARTNERSHIP

An objective session on India-EU Water Partnership was held to contribute on the shared vision by India and the EU for a sustainable management of water resources and tackling the challenges posed by water management in the context of growing population, competing water demands and climate change. The session aimed to contribute with possible ways on Water Security for Sustainable Development with Equity.

The India- EU Water Partnership is an outcome of the 'Joint Declaration on India- EU Water Partnership adopted by the EU and Government of India during the 13th EU-India Summit. The EU and India have agreed to scale up cooperation on water management in the framework of the EU-India Water Partnership, notably to tackle water pollution in line with the water-related Sustainable Development Goals and underlined the importance to address water challenges in the context of climate change.





EVENT BY INTERNATIONAL ORG. WORLD BANK

On the 4th Day of "7th India Water Week", an exciting session took place that covered the talk on Technology and Innovation in Water Management by the International Organization World Bank. The session was chaired by Ms. Sumila Gulyani, World Bank and co-chaired by Ms. Eileen Burke, World Bank. It highlighted on Global Platforms and tools for Water Assessment, Emerging Disruptive Technologies for Hydro-informatics, River Basin Planning and Innovative Water Planning and management in India. After the insightful and enthralling session, a discussion round took place for 15 minutes.

EVENT ON MANAGING WATER RELATED DISASTERS - FLOODS AND DROUGHTS.

A thought-provoking, enthralling seminar was organized on the "7th India Water Week" on the topic Managing Water Related Disasters- floods and droughts. The session was chaired by Prof. R Nagarajan, CSRE, IIT-Bombay & co-chaired by Sh. M.K Srinivas, Chairman, GFCC. The seminar covered mathematical presentation on Channel Routing, Basin Management Model focusing on decision making, accuracy of run-off estimates, best way to set reservoir releases and water abstractions from river water intake structures.



A SESSION ON COLLABORATIVE WATER GOVERNANCE REGIME

An extremely resourceful session was organized which was chaired by Dr. Alok Rawat former Secretary, WR, RD&GR and co-chaired by Dr. Syamal Kumar Sarkar, Senior Director, WR, TERI on establishing a Collaborative Water Governance Regime which focused important points. The session was extremely helpful and brilliantly presented covering various topics like, Approaches of Ground water management, composite water security programs inter alia.

WATER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND LIVELIHOOD

Another interesting session was organized on Water for Environment and Livelihood chaired by Shri M.K Sinha, Chairman, GRMB and Sh. Rishi Srivastav, CWC. The topics covered were Sustainable Agriculture and Water Management-Key to Economic Development, Assessment of Ground Water Quality in Drug district of Chhattisgarh State.



ROLE OF CIVIL SOCIETY IN EFFICIENT WATER MANAGEMENT

On the 4th Day of "7th India Water Week", the event venue was graced by the presence of Hon'ble Minister of State for Jal Shakti and Food Processing, Shri Prahlad Singh Patel Ji. He chaired the brilliant and thought-provoking session of PMKSY AND CADWH. Hon'ble Minister of State, also addressed the session of National Hydrology Project on the 4th Day of 7th India Water Week. He enlightened the gathering with his deep insights and inspirational talk. The session was addressed by Shri Anand Mohan, Joint Secretary (RD&PP), DoWR, RD & GR, Ministry of Jal Shakti, Government of India.

The session covered the topics on Challenges in Water Sector & Role of National Hydrology Project, World Bank Perspective on New Vistas in Hydro-informatics, Integrated Reservoir Operation (IRO)- Challenges and Importance of NHP activity in Water Resources management in the state of Meghalaya & Spring Studies in North East and state of Rajasthan.



Hon'ble Minister of State, Jal Shakti Sh. Prahlad Singh Patel also visited the stalls at the 7th India Water Week enticing exhibition. He paid visit to each stall and his presence amplified excitement in the arena.



CONVERGING TOWARDS NATIONAL PERSPECTIVE

In addition, there was another very important panel discussion held on National Perspective of IBWT (Inter-basin water transfer) and its various issues and important roles in achieving the water and food security targets of our country. This session was chaired by Sh. Sriram Vedire, Advisor, DoWR and RD, MoJS, and Chairman of Task Force on Interlinking of rivers. Very eminent panelists Sh. A.D. Mohile (Ex. Chairman, CWC), Sh. M. Gopalakrishnan (Ex. Secretary General, ICID), Sh. Bhopal Singh (Director General, NWDA), Dr. R.N. Sankhua (Chief Engineer (South), NWDA)) took part in the discussions and shared their views. The interlinking of rivers is expected to address the chronic drought in the region, choosing between the social welfare and environmental conservation.



EVENT BY WORLD BANK, CHAIRED BY SMT. DEBASHREE MUKHERJEE

Smt. Debashree Mukherjee, Special Secretary, DoWR, MoJS, GOI chaired the event organized by World Bank along with the co- chair Sh. Joop Stoutjesdijk, Lead Water Resources Specialist, World Bank. The session covered the discussion on Nile Basin Initiative, Mekong River Commission, Integrated River Basin Management Guideline. The session has a open discussion round of 40 mins in which the audience contributed valuably. The session concluded with a closing remark by the chairperson and co-chairperson which gave a valuable insight to the audience.

CHALLENGES IN URBAN WATER PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT

Session on "Challenges in Urban Water Planning and Management" during this mega event. The session has series of presentation by our brilliant panelists and presenters which was followed by meaningful discussions, a keynote address by the chairman Sh. Rajendra Kumar Agrawal.



AGRICULTURE SUSTAINABILITY UNDER UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES

A very resourceful session was chaired by Dr. Ashok Dalwai Chairman/CEO NRAA, New Delhi on the enthralling and interesting topic around Agriculture Sustainability Under Unforeseen Circumstances. The panelists in the session presented interesting viewpoints and facts around the topic.