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## PART 1: REPORT BY GWP-SAS REGIONAL OFFICE

### Activities and Outputs

1. The GWP SAS Regional Office applied for the Sub-regional Node/Thematic Node for Asia Pacific Adaptation Network (APAN). The APAN accepted the application and GWP SAS has been selected as the **Thematic Node on Water for South Asia**, in August 2011. GWP SAS is also invited to the Asia Pacific Adaptation Forum 2011.
2. The final draft of the proposal prepared for the Water, Climate and Development Programme (WCDP) titled "Improving the resilience of South Asian countries to withstand the impacts of climate change" was submitted to the GWP Secretariat
3. The Regional Office coordinated the inputs from Country Water Partnerships of GWP SAS to Regional Days Meeting (15-17 August 2011) and Consulting Partners Meeting 18-19 August 2011) in Stockholm, which included two presentations, chairmanship of one session and reporting one session.
4. The Regional Office contributed to GWP brief case studies for the DFID business case by coordinating the inputs from CWPs and by developing a comprehensive document on Area Water Partnerships of South Asia.
5. Inputs were made to the Mid-Term Review Team by providing required documentation and information.
6. The Regional Office coordinated with the CWPs to compile Bi-Annual Report (January-June 2011) for the GWP SAS and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Financial Report.
7. Web site of GWP SAS was updated regularly with relevant information including uploading the Synthesis Report on GWP TEC- IWMI Workshop on Climate Change, Food and Water Security in South Asia held in February 2011 in Colombo.
8. GWP SAS Regional Office coordinated with the CWPs and the UNESCAP to send nominees to the Third Expert Group Meeting (EGM) on Monitoring of Investment and Results (MIR) in the Water Sector in Asia and the Pacific, to be held in 22 and 23 September 2011. In addition details of seven experts were submitted to be considered as experts on Monitoring Investment and Results in the Water Sector.

### News

The acceptance of GWP South Asia as the **Thematic Node on Water for South Asia** is bound to increase the visibility of GWP and enhance the reputation of GWP.

## PART 2: REPORT BY BANGLADESH WATER PARTNERSHIP

### 1. Knowledge Sharing Meeting at Halda River Area Water Partnership on Safe Water: Need & Necessity held at Hathazari Town



The local NGO NOWZUWAN arranged an awareness discussion meeting on Safe Water: Need & Necessity on Halda River Perspective with the financial assistance of Bangladesh Water Partnership (BWP). The program was held on 28 July, 2011 at Nari (Women) Unnayan (Development) Shokti (Force) Meeting Room, Hathazari. Mrs. Shajeda Begum Chowdhury, Upozilla (Sub-District) Mohilla (Female) Vice-Chairman was the Chief Guest of this Program. In her speech, she stressed on proper use of water and proper utilization of water resources, which is the most important thing of our life. She emphasized

that women can play a significant role in water conservation as well as its protection from pollution. She further indicated that as 70% of the municipal water supply is used in homes women should take the responsibility for preventing its misuse.

Mr. Keshob Kumar Barua, President Hathazari Press Club; Mr Ilias Sha, President of Halda Beneficiary Motsho (Fishery) Shomoti (Association) were present as special Guests. Mr. Md. Anisuzzaman Khan, Team Leader of Halda River Restoration Project Presided over the discussion meeting. The meeting was exclusively arranged to sensitize women about the importance of water conservation, river protection and pollution control. Around 50 women like students, house wives, health workers, NGO workers participated in the program.

.An identical program was also organized in Rawzan Town located within Halda River catchment. area The program was held on 01 August, 2011 at Nowapara Collage Conference Room, Rawzan. Upozilla Mohilla Vice-Chairman Fowzia Khanam Mina was present as the chief Guest. In her speech, she referred to water as Blue Gold. She indicated that Halda River has generously provided water, fish and navigation facilities for centuries. But the river is now being threatened by pollution and encroachment by land grabbers. It is now our duty to protect the river and women being one of the major stake holders must play a major in in restoring the river through better management.



Mr. Mozibur Islam, Asst. Professor, Department of English and Ms. Jahanara Hana, Networking and Advocacy officer, NOWZAWAN was present as special Guests. Bejoia Lakkhie Dabe, Principal, Nowapara Collage presented the keynote paper.. Allhaj Md. Didarul Islam Chowdhury Chairman of Nowapara Union Council presided over the meeting. Around 100 students and teachers participated in this program.

### 2. Meeting of Bangladesh Water Integrity Network (BAWIN)

The 8<sup>th</sup> Meeting of BAWIN was held on 4 August, 2011 at TIB Conference Room.. Executive Director, Transparency International Bangladesh (TIB) welcomed the participants and explained the objective of the meeting, which was to review the prospects of BAWIN and discuss the way forward.

He briefed the meeting about the discussion he had in Berlin on July 1, 2011, at the WIN office with Mr Teun Bastemeijer, who indicated the possibility of providing to BAWIN a modest grant to cover the expenses of a short term staff to coordinate the BAWIN activities, and called upon the members to consider the matter. The second matter that needed the meeting's consideration was the planned seminar as a launching event of BAWIN, and any further activity that can be undertaken. The participants reviewed and approved the minutes of the last meeting with correction

#### 4. GWP Network Meeting and Consulting Partners Meeting 2011



GWP Network Meeting and Consulting Partners Meeting 2011 was held on 18-19 August 2011 at the Clarion Hotel in Stockholm/Söder, Sweden. GWP Patron His Royal Highness the Prince of Orange of the Netherlands was present in the closing session on Day 2, and delivered the GWP Annual Lecture. This year's Consulting Partners Meeting focused on GWP's approach to the linkages between water and food security, looking specifically at outstanding successful activities and results which have been achieved across the GWP regions, and welcomed to the meeting the key allies with whom GWP works worldwide, on this crucial aspect of the GWP Strategy.

The objectives of the 2011 Consulting Partners Meeting were:

- To unpack the linkages between water and food security, focusing on successful interventions and solutions which have been implemented on the ground
- To identify an action agenda for change together with key strategic allies and Partners
- To include specific joint activities which have been identified into evolving the GWP operational strategy on food security: see draft document "Achieving food security through integrated land and water management"
- To build and strengthen new and existing partnerships for implementing better land and water management at various levels, and across regions and countries

Dr. Khondaker Azharul Haq, Executive Committee Member, Bangladesh Water Partnership attended on behalf of Bangladesh Water Partnership. He also presented a paper on "Water Security is a pre-requisite for food security: A success story from Bangladesh". In his presentation, he explained how water security led to food security in Bangladesh. He also presented the Constraints, Challenges & Opportunities and role of GWP. He mentioned three action programs for further consolidating food security.

## 5. Seminar on “ Importance of Integrated Management in Mining Sand from the Riverbeds of Bangladesh”



A Seminar on “Importance of Integrated Management in Mining Sand from the Riverbeds of Bangladesh” was conducted by SOUL-Save Our Urban Life with the financial assistance of Bangladesh Water Partnership (BWP) on 24<sup>th</sup> August, 2011. Mr. Shahidul Hasan, President, BWP presided over the meeting. In the inaugural session Dr. Khondaker Azharul Haq, EC Member, BWP delivered the welcome speech. Mr. Tauhidul Anwar Khan, Secretary General, BWP presented the keynote paper. In his speech, he

concerned about the unplanned & mismanagement sand mining from riverbeds. He described the source and use of river sand and present status of sand mining. He also presented the current draft plan of sand mining of Government of Bangladesh. After all he requested to move forward for public awareness on unplanned & mismanagement sand mining. He strongly recommended for integrated management in mining sand from the riverbeds.

Md. Makbul Hossain, Director General, WARPO and Ms. Bilqis Amin Hoque, EC Member, BWP was the designated discussants. Mr. Makbul Hossain described the present status of government action plan. He emphasized on formulating necessary policies for proper management of river sand.its implementation. Ms. Bilqis Hoque indicated the benefit as well as limitation of sand mining. She recommended to develop and implementation of an environment friendly integrated and comprehensive management of river sand. Around 70 participants from government organization, non-government organization, and reporters of TV channels, newspapers and journals participated in the program.

During open discussion further explanations were made by Mr. Tauhidul Anwar Khan, Dr. Azharul Haq, Md. Makbul Hossain, Ms. Bilqis Amin Hoque and Md. Shahidul Hassan. Prof. M. A. Kashem, Chairman, SOUL attended as a Special Guest. He advised that the recommendations of the work should be implemented instead of gracing the shelf. Mr. Md. Shahidul Hassan, President, BWP delivered the concluding remarks and vote of Thanks.

### **PART 3: REPORT BY BHUTAN WATER PARTNERSHIP**

In order to raise the awareness level of students about water and its importance, the Bhutan Water Partnership in partnership with a business firm had printed an awareness messages about water on the school note book. Over 15,000 note books with water message will be in over 550 schools with about 170,000 students. The notebooks will be in schools from the academic calendar 2012.

The message was very simple explaining about how scarce the water resource is and how people need to use the dying resource with utmost care. GWP and BhWP logos were also printed on the note books.

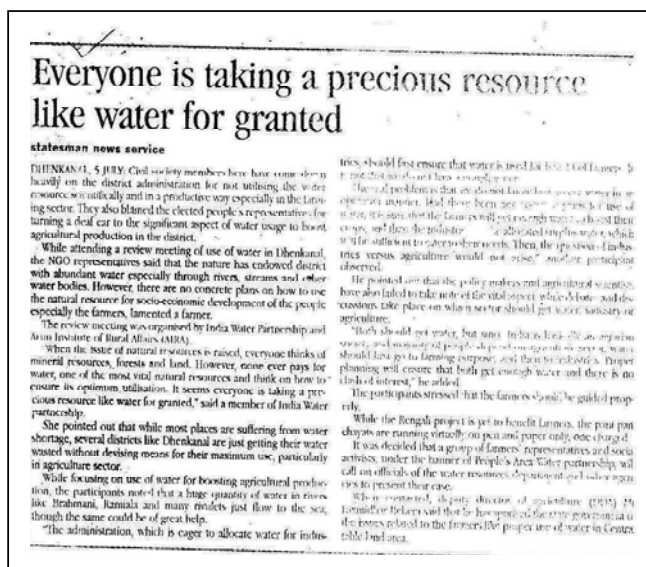
It is expected that thousands of students will be made aware of the importance of water and accordingly will act to preserve water at schools and homes.

## PART 4: REPORT BY INDIA WATER PARTNERSHIP

### 1. Consolidating & Broadening Water-Action of Parimal Area Water Partnership in Dhenkanal (Odisha- India)

- 1.1 In July, 2011, Jana Sunani (Public hearing) and Palli Sabha were convened wherein land acquisition by RSB Metals Ltd. was opposed by the members of PAWP. This was the approach by the PAWP against industrialization which comes in main command area of Rengali irrigation project. This action was initiated in anticipation of drawing water in huge quantity by such industries, especially metal or coal based industries, heavy pollution of water, air and soil causing disaster to life and livelihoods of the people falling under the PAWP operational area.

As a second activity, the Local Youth Forums in PAWP villages namely; Bhagirathipur, Rekula, Khuntabati, Kusumajodi, Khatuahota and Kamangara took up water & sanitation awareness in their respective villages with the support of Village Health Workers.



Paper cutting from Statesman news service, 5<sup>th</sup> July, 2011, Dhenkanal

- 1.2 In August, 2011, the monsoon failed to deliver the sufficient rainfall in the Dhenkanal district of Odisha where PAWP operates. Due to which the first & second sowing of paddy could not take place. To counter the problem of non-sowing of paddy in time, the PAWP prepared a short glossary on the problems of crop farming which was presented for the discussions in the formal and informal meetings of Local Area Water Partnerships (LWPs).

The PAWP played an active role in the awareness campaign organized by Zilla Swasthya Samiti against the dreaded Dengue disease in the district. A mobile four wheeler vehicle was used for showing messages and posters depicting care and counter measures to be taken against Dengue.

**Pursuing the Right to Information (RTI) Applications and its Outcome:** As it was reported in our report for the period of January -June, 2011 that PAWP convener had asked information from the Irrigation Department about the development plans, status and actions on Indrajit nallah. The Executive Engineer Minor Irrigation Division, Dhenkanal has now sent by post part information on the development plans and actions on Indrajit & Chadeichhada nallah. However, the complete and exhaustive information are yet to be received from him. Mr A. Rath (volunteer), AIRA & Mr P.K.Sahu, Convener PAWP would follow up with the department about the complete information and thereafter for actions.

2. **Interactive Seminar organized by GWP- India (India Water Partnership) partner organization Jheel Sanrakshan Samiti (JSS) with Engineers, members of Yamuna Pollution Control Unit and NGO representatives working on Yamuna Pollution Control Unit**

- 2.1 The Jheel Sanrakshan Samiti (JSS), a partner organization of GWP-India (India Water Partnership) is regularly conducting seminars and workshops with different stakeholders on various components of IWRM keeping in mind the New Water Policy of Rajasthan. In last three months (June to August 2011), JSS along with their strategic partners like V B Polytechnic and M S Mehta Memorial Trust had organized many consultations on IWRM.

On 24<sup>th</sup> June 2011, a workshop was organized for Senior Engineers of Water Resources Department, Govt. of Rajasthan, Urban local bodies and other agencies. The prominent participants were Additional Chief Engineer of Water Resources Department (WRD), Mr A B Mathur, Superintending Engineer, WRD, Mr D L Dangi, Executive Engineer, Urban Improvement Trust, and Prominent Engineers from Institution of Engineers (India) Ltd.

Dr Kapil Gupta, Professor at IIT Mumbai and Member on National Committee on Disaster Management and convener (drafting committee) of Revised Drainage Manual of Government of India, delivered expert lecture on "Urban Drainage in the context of IWRM". The participating engineers discussed in detail how to address drainage aspect while developing IWRM plans.

- 2.2 On 27<sup>th</sup> July 2011, an interactive seminar was held on behalf of IWP with members of Yamuna Pollution Control Unit (YPCU); and NGO representatives working on Yamuna river. Mr Anil Mehta gave a presentation on Banas river and Chambal river which flows into Yamuna. Mr Anil also placed his views on river basin management approach and explained eco-remediation techniques to treat and improve polluted river basins. It was agreed that in order to work on Integrated Lake Basin Management (ILBM) approach and IWRM, the active and dynamic participation of civil society and citizen groups is first and foremost requirement. And for that, capacity development of stakeholders is necessary.
- 2.3 On 7<sup>th</sup> August, 2011, Dr Tej Razdan, Secretary, JSS participated in Lake Management Workshop held at DHAKA, Bangladesh, organized by Center of Science and Environment, New Delhi and Bangladesh Institute of Planners. Dr Razdan gave presentation on Policy and Legal framework needed for lake management in the context of IWRM and ILBM. Dr Razdan also shared experiences of lake conservation in Rajasthan with the fellow participants.

### **3. Preparation for Multi-stakeholder Dialogue on IWRM in Context of Odisha- An Initiative by Eastern Zonal Water Partnership**

Water Resources Department (WRD), Government of Odisha has been working towards implementation of Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM). For the purpose, Asian Development Bank (ADB) has extended few Technical Assistants to WRD. In due course of time, the ADB consultants presented different frameworks for the implementation of the IWRM in the state. Recently the IWRM road map for the state of Odisha has been presented to the civil societies of Odisha. A part of the civil society has out rightly rejected this document while another section of the civil society has demanded for incorporating substantial changes in this document. The Water Planning Organization has assured the civil society led by Odisha Water Forum and Eastern Zonal Water Partnership that the state government is not at all in a hurry to act on the road map without going for more detailed consultations.

Accordingly, it has been planned to organize a multi-stakeholders' consultation to identify and discuss the challenges for implementation of IWRM in Indian context in general, and Eastern India in particular. During August 2011, preparatory work for the multi-stakeholders' Dialogue on IWRM has been completed. For this, key players like the Odisha Water Planning Organisation, ADB Officials, and member organizations of Odisha Water Forum were contacted and the purpose and modalities of the workshop was discussed. The date for the Workshop has been fixed for **15<sup>th</sup> of September, 2011.**

### **4. Sensitization Workshop on Best Practices on Water Conservation and affordable Water Saving Technologies at Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Godda, Jharkhand**

- 4.1 Action for Food Production (AFPRO) with the support of India Water Partnership (IWP) made an effort to find out community practiced water saving technologies from the selected villages of Jharkhand State. The project, initiated in February 2011, is designed to document best practices and sensitize communities/NGOs/CBOs on affordable water technologies and water conservation. Till July 2011, AFPRO collected 11 cases from the field,

practiced by rural communities of Jharkhand, and documented these cases for wider dissemination. These low-cost techniques are efficient and having great potential for wider replication in the semi-arid areas where farming communities mainly depends on monsoon for agriculture operations.

- 4.2 On August 24, AFPRO organized a workshop on “**Best Practices on Water Conservation and Affordable Water Saving Technologies**”. The workshop was supported by India Water Partnership(GWP- India)and held at Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK) of Godda District in Jharkhand. The objective of the workshop was to inform, make aware and sensitize the Panchayati Raj Institution (PRI) Members, Government & NGO officials, and community members on use of low cost water harvesting and water saving technologies for sustainable water resource management.



**Participants at the Workshop**



**Resource Persons**

*(From Left to Right) Ms. Neelam Kumari (Jr. Agriculture Specialist, AFPRO), Dr. H.K.Chaurasia(SMS (Hort.), GVT, KVK Godda), Mr. David Philip (Manager, WVI Godda), Mr. Rajpal Singh (SMS (Agronomy) GVT, KVK Godda), Dr. Ravi Shankar (Programme Coordinator, KVK Godda), and Mr. A.P.Thakur (Programme Assistant, KVK Godda)*

The workshop was attended by 35 participants, including Water User Groups and PRI members from different villages of Godda District who were actively engaged in the discussion. Scientists from Krishi Vigyan Kendra were also present. The technologies discussed and shared in the workshop were ; Rooftop Rainwater Harvesting; System of Rice Intensification (SRI); Earthen Check Dams; Drip Irrigation System; Gravity Flow Irrigation System; Well Irrigation; and Photovoltaic Water Pumps (PVP).

The key/resource persons in the workshop were Dr. Ravi Shankar, Programme Coordinator, KVK Godda, David Philip, Manager of World Vision India, Ms. Neelam Kumari, Junior Agriculture Specialist of AFPRO, Mr. A.P. Thakur, Programme Assistant, KVK Godda, Ms. Neelam Kumari, Junior Agriculture Specialist of AFPRO, Mr. Rajpal Singh and Dr. H.K.Chaurasia, Scientist and Resource Person of KVK. The topics discussed during two technical sessions were mainly on; Different water saving varieties of wheat and rice; Drought tolerant crops which can be grown in Godda; Water requirements of different crops; Rainwater harvesting systems which can be followed in Jharkhand. Both these sessions were followed up with Mr. Philip screening a movie on ‘Costless Costfree Irrigation’. In the post lunch session, the participants were exposed to the fields where SRI and different water saving varieties of rice were being cultivated within the KVK campus.

- 4.3 As a part of the feedbacks session (on the relevance and success of the workshop) participants expressed their hesitation to implement water harvesting techniques like drip and sprinkler irrigation as they felt these technologies are too difficult to practice in the local conditions. However, they felt that rainwater harvesting is an important aspect and easier technology to implement. Thus, more efforts are required to convince people regarding alternate water harvesting and water saving technologies.

**5. Preparation of Integrated Water Resources Development and Management Plan (IWRD&MP) for Wainganga river sub-basin by Western Zonal Water Partnership (WZWP) coordinating agency of IWP**

- 5.1 Preparation of IWRD&MP for Wainganga river sub-basin is a gigantic task for which a lot of data/information is required. At the same time, it is also essential to hold periodical meetings/workshops to have the opinion of the community and stakeholders so that a good plan can be prepared. This process is still continuing and the works undertaken from January-June, 2011 by WZWP Coordinating Agency have already been reported. In this report, the details of activities undertaken by the Agency during July & August, 2011 are given below.
- 5.2 Topographic Sheets of the scale for 1:2,50,000 and 1:50,000 have been collected from the Survey of India. Now the process of digitization of these toposheets on AutoCad for use in analysis and detailed planning for the Wainganga Basin has started. A map is being prepared which highlights the contours, rivers, streams, rain gauge and river gauging stations and will aid in the process of determining the total water availability within the Wainganga Project Area.
- 5.3 The Hydrology data received from Hydrology Project, Nashik has been sorted-out and the relevant parameters have been analyzed to obtain annual rainfall in the project area from the period 1987 to 2007. Besides this, discussions took place on several issues such as the need to consider and assess surface and groundwater in an integrated manner, views on supply-based vs. demand-based planning.
- 5.4 The existing agricultural data provided by Agriculture Census 2001 and District Statistical Abstracts was analyzed By Shri Anant Gogte, Agriculture expert of the Gomukh team and a list of projects will be prepared in terms of investment to augment and improve the agricultural productivity to sustain livelihoods in the Wainganga Basin.
- 5.5 Date-wise details of meeting held are given below:

**3<sup>rd</sup> July, 2011**

A meeting of Riverine fishermen was held at Gram Panchayat office, Mundhari on 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 2011. Twenty two people attended this meeting. In the meeting information about spots of fishing (lakes or Dohas) in Wainganga was received, and the documentation formats were filled.



**Meeting with Fishermen**

In the village Rengepar, twenty three people participated in the meeting. Apart from data collection, the discussion focused on the urgent issue of erosion. This village is situated on the bank of river Wainganga. The river takes turn near their village and houses are situated on the curved bank. Year after year, the land is being washed out and eroded. Till now 80 houses have been relocated. Many more houses are situated on the bank of river and face a huge threat. The government is trying to relocate them but the problem of high rate of erosion is not addressed by either the government or the villagers.

**19th July 2011**

A meeting was conducted with Mr. Panke and Mr. Paithankar of Pauni group. Mr. Manish Rajankar discussed in detail, the points to be covered for documentation of temples, traditional drainage, present drainage and all other cultural and spiritual aspects of the Wainganga River Basin.

## **20th July 2011**

Dr. Malgave, Dr. Phadke and Mr. Manish Rajankar conducted a visit to downstream villages of Gosikhurd dam. A visit to Itan and Moharna in Lakhandur Tahsil of Bhandara and Awalgaon, Tahsil Bramhapuri, Dist Chandrapur was conducted. A meeting of fishermen was organized in village Itan and was attended by twenty two people. Apart from regular documentation work, the discussions revealed that, unplanned water releasing from Gosikhurd dam is affecting the livelihood of fishermen in these villages. All their regular fishing spots, watermelon plots are washed out when the water is released. They stated that there should be some schedule for releasing water and that schedule should be announced publicly through news papers or otherwise.

## **21st August 2011**

A meeting of teachers of Bhandara district was organized by the Water Literacy Group. Nine teachers were from urban area and four from rural area. Discussions on mode of water literacy were held. The group tried to figure out the definition and aspects of water literacy. This group has now decided to hold regular interaction sessions. Next meeting has been decided on 11th September, 2011.

### **6. Participation in Annual Consulting Partners' Meet (18-19<sup>th</sup> August, 2011)**

Prof. S R Hashim, President, IWP and Prof. Alakh N Sharma, Vice-President, IWP participated in the Annual Consulting Partners' Meet held on 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> August, 2011 at Stockholm, Sweden and made a presentation on "Water and Food Security in India".

### **7. Screening of a documentary film produced by IWP (GWP-India) in 6<sup>th</sup> International Film Festival on Water**

A documentary film produced by Dr. Veena Khanduri, Executive Secretary on behalf of IWP in collaboration with Institute for Development Initiatives (IDI) and directed by Ashish and Alok Maurya entitled "**Water on the Moon... And What about the Earth**" was selected and screened during the 6<sup>th</sup> International Film Festival on Water, which was organized at Bangalore from August 25th to the 29th 2011. Earlier this film was also shown during Round Table Conference on Water, Livelihood and Adaptation to Climate Change in South Asia organized by IWP and GWP-South Asia on 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> November, 2009 at New Delhi. The film is about the restoration of a natural water body that exists in the premises of the holy Dargah Ajmer Sherief, Rajasthan.

The film demonstrates the sincere efforts of State Government of Rajasthan, the Dargah Committee to restore the natural source of water with the support of peoples' participation.

## PART 5: REPORT BY NEPAL WATER PARTNERSHIP



1. Training on IWRM and Two-day National Seminar on "**ADAPTATION IN CLIMATE CHANGE AND RIVER CONSERVATION FOR BETTER LIVELIHOOD AND EFFECTIVE IRRIGATION SYSTEM IN TINAU RIVER**" was organized on July 21-23, 2011 in Rupendehi district of Nepal. GWP Nepal/JVS and Nepal Engineers' Association, Lumbini Regional Centre, Butwal jointly organized the programs. Mr. Som Nath Poudel, Vice-Chairperson; Mr. Surya Nath Upadhyay, Secretary General and Dr. Vijaya Shrestha, Executive Member of GWP Nepal/JVS actively participated the program.

**Surya Nath Upadhyay, Secretary General,  
GWP Nepal/JVS addressing in the seminar**

This workshop which was inaugurated by the then Defence Minister, Bishnu Poudel, elected from that area was participated by wide range of stakeholders. Eleven research papers were presented by the researchers and stakeholders in the seminar. Tinau is one of the rivers in the western part of Nepal which is in dilapidated condition. Its sand and gravel is extracted randomly. Its banks are being encroached by landless people.

**Then Defense Minister, Bishnu Poudel,  
addressing in the seminar**



It is under a serious threat. This training workshop is expected to raise the application of IWRM methodologies. The focus of the seminar was on the conservation and management of Tinau River.

2. The 123<sup>rd</sup> ECM of GWP Nepal/JVS was held on July, 2011 in Kathmandu under the Chairmanship of Mr. Iswer Raj Onta. The meeting discussed programmatic and administrative issues of GWP Nepal/JVS.

3. GWP Nepal/JVS appointed Dr. Ravi Sharma Aryal as a research consultant to review the "Existing Conditionalities of the Multilateral Agencies on Transboundary Water Use" under the GWP Nepal/JVS program on Transboundary Water Cooperation.

4. Ravi Sharma Aryal, the research consultant, submitted the final report of the project entitled "The Law on Ownership and Right to Water in Nepal" to GWP Nepal. The report outlines the status of law on ownership and right to water in Nepal.

5. Ngamindra Dahal, the research consultant, submitted the draft of the book entitled "Climate Change and Livelihood Challenges in Nepal". The draft of the book is under the peer review and the book is expected to be finalized by September, 2011.

6. Mr. Iswer Raj Onta, Chair Global Water Partnership Nepal /JVS participated in the Global Water Partnership Consultative Partner's Meeting held in Stockholm, Sweden on 18-19 August 2011.

7. GWP Nepal/JVS signed a contract on August 30, 2011 with Water Integrity Network (WIN), Berlin to undertake research on "Study of the Functionality of Water Supply Services of the Morang Water Supply Corporation (MWSC) based on the Citizens' Report Card (CRC)". By this contract TI-S, representing the Water Integrity Network (WIN), agrees to appoint the Consultant to provide four outputs/services:

8. Provide an inception report of the study;

9. Undertake a study of the Functionality of Water Supply Services of the Morang Water Supply Corporation (MWSC) based on the Citizens' Report Card (CRC);

10. Provide a draft final report of the study; and

11. Provide a final report of the study (setting out the background of the study, the methodology used, the principal results of the study and an advocacy strategy based on the results of the study).

12. The 111<sup>th</sup> and 112<sup>th</sup> Executive Committee Meeting (ECM) of Global Water Partnership Nepal /JVS was held on 7th August 2011 and 30th August 2010 respectively, in Kathmandu. The meeting discussed programmatic and administrative issues of Global Water Partnership Nepal/JVS.

## **PART 6: REPORT BY PAKISTAN WATER PARTNERSHIP**

1. Pakistan Water Partnership (PWP), collaborated with the World Wildlife Fund Pakistan in holding the Stakeholders Consultation on Integrated River Basin Management for Indus River and Water Stewardship Study in Islamabad on 16 July 2011. Over two hundred delegates including 47 GWP partners from Pakistan participated in the Consultation. Dr. Pervaiz Amir, Member – Pool of Experts (POE) and Mr. Khalid Mohtadullah, Senior Advisor GWP presented their papers on Integrated River Basin Management concepts and policy framework. Ms. Simi Kamal, Chairperson, Karachi Water Partnership facilitated question/answer session. Two Policy Briefs titled “Integrated River Basin Management (IRBM) for Indus Basin”, “Proposed Elements of Pakistan’s National Water Policy” and a Brief Report on “Water Stewardship in Pakistan: The Role of Corporate Sector” were discussed and reviewed for finalization.

2. A high level meeting on National Security Policy (Resource Security) was held in National Defence University Islamabad on 20<sup>th</sup> July 2011. Chairman, Pakistan Water Partnership and Regional Chair, GWP-SAS contributed their expert opinions and recommendations with the audience which also included over 500 National Defence University trainee officers and students. A high profile speech was made by Mr. Shams ul Mulk, former Chairman, Pakistan Water Partnership. Recommendations were also compiled on the National Security Policy (Resource Security) for submission to the Government of Pakistan.

3. Consumer Association of Pakistan (CAP), a GWP Partner from Pakistan in collaboration with Pakistan Water Partnership, held the 2nd Annual Consumers Food Safety & Quality (CFSQ) Conference in Karachi on 27th July 2011. PWP also contributed a paper titled “Water and Food Security for Pakistan” in the Conference. Over 300 delegates attended the Conference from all parts of the country. Report of the Conference is being shared with the Federal and Provincial Governments for safeguarding water and food quality for real consumers in the country.

4. Nara Canal Area Water Partnership motivated its partners and poor farmers of its area to better manage dates fruit for proper sorting, grading, polishing and packing for marketing in big cities at reasonable price. Eco-Conservation Initiatives, a GWP Partner collaborated with Nara Canal AWP in this task. They were successful in raising the domestic income of Nara Canal AWP partners and farmers manifold during the month of July 2011.

5. Potohar AWP framed a programme of Rain Water Harvesting for domestic use as potable drinking water for household as well as for their cattle. Potohar AWP under the technical and financial support has planned to build 4-model rainwater storage tanks in Union Council Narah, Rawalpindi which will be followed by replication of 46 rainwater storage tanks by the communities of the area.

6. PWP office was visited by the following partners during July 2011 to enhance collaborative efforts for imparting water awareness and implementation of Integrated Water Resources Management in the country:

- a. Dr. Pervaiz Amir, Director, Asianics Agro-Dev International.
- b. Mr. Azhar Qureshi, Eco-Conservation Initiatives, Islamabad.
- c. Mrs. Hamida Masood Shah, President, Women Welfare Association/ Regional Council Member Pakistan.

7. PWP supported preparations for 17<sup>th</sup> Regional Council Meeting and 5<sup>th</sup> General Assembly proposed to be held in Thimphu, Bhutan during October/November 2011. PWP provided back up support to the Regional Chair GWP-SAS in this connection as well.

8. PWP nominated Mr. Muhammad Aslam Khan of Mari Gas Company (GWP partner) and Ch. Shauket Ali, Chairperson, Potohar AWP to represent PWP in the GWP Consulting Partners Meeting 2011. Ch. Shauket Ali could not attend because of his grand-daughter’s marriage on the same dates in USA, therefore, Mr. Karamat Ali, Country Coordinator, PWP/Support Officer, GWP-SAS was nominated against this resultant slot. PWP delegation comprising Mr. Muhammad Aslam Khan and Mr. Karamat Ali attended GWP Consulting Partners Meeting 2011 at Stockholm, Sweden from 18 to 19 August 2011. On the request of the Regional Chair, GWP-SAS, Mr. Karamat Ali also attended the GWP Regional Days from 15-17 August 2011. He also acted as Rapporteur for the Workshop-1 “Food Security and IWRM” on 19 August 2011 and presented his findings and report in the concluding session.

9. On the way back from Stockholm, Sweden on 23 August 2011, the Regional Chair, GWP-SAS and Country Coordinator, PWP held a meeting with the office bearers of Istanbul International Water Forum (Mr. Aslan Ozcakir) and discussed collaboration of GWP-SAS and Pakistan Water Partnership for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Istanbul International Water Forum.

**PART 7: REPORT BY SRI LANKA WATER PARTNERSHIP**

1. July 8<sup>th</sup>. Training and awareness programme for members of the Menik Ganga AWP. Programmed timed for period of annual Kataragama Festival, July 1-15<sup>th</sup> to coincide with annual pollution mitigation programme of AWP. Conducted by Staff of National Water Supply and Drainage Board (Training Officer Moneragala and Engineer from Bandarawela Regional Office), Attended by over 35 AWP members and Health, Local Authority and Police personnel and Kataragama Environment Officer. Advisor SLWP and Country Coordinator also attended this programme. 10 special digital banners in addition to leaflets and public address system in place in Sella Kataragama for festival period as done annually by AWP.



Displaying Public Awareness Messages for keeping the river clean



Distributing Handouts to Public

2. July 31<sup>st</sup>. Programme by Maha Oya Mithuro (AWP) for small and medium entrepreneurs on reduction of pollution and control of untreated effluent discharge to the river. High level of interest and support from over 30 participants. SLWP Chair attended programme. Environment procession (elephant perahera) with elephants depicting environmental messages together with street dramas timed for 24<sup>th</sup> September.

3. 13<sup>th</sup> July. 6<sup>th</sup> Programme Committee of SLWP.

4. 19<sup>th</sup> July. Follow up meeting with Boy Scouts Association to develop collaborative activities linked to Sisu Jala Hamuwa and AWP programmes.

5. A seminar/consultation by SLWP with Small and Medium Enterprise Operators was held in Mawanella on 01/08/2011 as a follow up meeting to the Maha Oya AWP activities undertaken in July. Over 40 SME Operators who participated were enthusiastic over reducing pollution of the Maha oya which is a major drinking water supply river to the city. It was agreed that untreated waste water (grey water) from commercial/industrial units will not be directly discharged to the river and extreme care will be taken especially by vehicle service stations to prevent oil and other mineral waste flowing direct to river. They also agreed to support the *Parisara Perahera* (Environment-procession using elephants festooned with banners depicting environment related messages) being organised by the Maha oya AWP.

6. As a measure of soliciting private sector support for the IWRM Programme specially the health/sanitation components including the SLWP Schools programme a Meeting was held with the management of Jhanashakthi Insurance a major player on 3<sup>rd</sup> August. Chair SLWP, Country Coordinator, Alt RC Member and Advisor SLWP participated at this discussion at which the SLWP Programme was explained in detail. The management agreed to consider any proposal that fell within the 4 themes they were supporting as part of their CSR programme. It was agreed that Schools Programme of SLWP offered best fit with one their main themes of Safety. Further discussion will be held to work out a programme that is of mutual benefit.

7. A TOT on IWRM was held for selected Girl Guides and Teachers from 3 Provinces in collaboration with the Girl Guides Association, a SLWP/GWP Partner. With 23,000 organised members the association offers huge potential for SLWP to benefit and increase outreach capability in its School and Community based IWRM activities, 23 Guides and 3 teachers participated in this 2 day residential programme organised in Colombo on 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> August. Resource Persons from Universities and Agencies provided input. The Commissioner of Girl Guides Association also addressed the participants. SLWP will link up with the trained Guides/Teachers in planning its future school programmes including the Water Messenger/Water Cell Programme.



8. The Report of the Sanitation Survey conducted by the Post Graduate Institute of Agriculture led by the SLWP RC Member Dr MIM Mowjood in July submitted its findings in August. This information is being used to prepare a work programme for Nanu Oya tributary of the Mahaveli in the Upper Mahaveli AWP Area under the SLWP Clean River Programme. A pollution mitigation activity that involves the NWSDB (National Water Board, Local Authority and the Private Sector to promote use of Bio Cells and pay public toilets is part of the programme.