# Regional workshop on

## Water and Sewage Management

**Best Management Practices - Potential & Challenges** 

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### **About CSE**

Centre for Science & Environment (CSE): is a Delhi based public interest research and policy advocacy organization set

up in 1980.

It promotes sustainable development with equity, participation and democracy through —

- knowledge based activism
- policy research combined with public awareness

and was awarded the -

Books 50,000
Documents 25,000
Journals 1,800
Articles 1,47,193
News Clippings 2,50,000
Films, documentaries 1,500
Photographs and slides 1,50,000
Directories of experts, research institutions
& government agencies 30,000



Stockholm World Water Prize (2005) for its policy influence in building new paradigms for sustainable water management.

#### CSE also currently the -

Centre of Excellence in of Urban Development in the Sustainable Water management area (Ministry of Urban Development) for research & capacity building support JnNURM /ULBs

**Nodal centre for training of Regulators** (Ministry of Environment & Forests)

National hub for knowledge creation and capacity building (Ministry of Rural Water Supply and Sanitation)



## **Background to the workshop**

#### JNNURM Phase I:

The aim was to develop **select cities into model sustainable areas** envisaging development of slums, accessibility to drinking water, **sewerage**, solid waste management, roads, and street lights.

#### Status update -

- with over a majority about 73% of projects sanctioned under JNNURM-I still under implementation as on March 2012, and
- the capacity of the state and local bodies, such as municipalities, to plan and implement these projects remained poor
- 5% of the total outlay of JNNURM funds for capacity building but only 10 % of allocation utilisation

## **Shortcomings of Phase I**

- 1. Poor planning process and exclusion of peri-urban areas.
- 2. Failure to adopt service level bench marks.
- 3. Lack of adequate capacity.
- 4. Inadequate differentiation made to suit different conditions of small and large cities. As a result there was variation in inter state completion of reforms (physically and financially).

Source: Planning Commission Report, March 2012:



#### **JnNURM Phase II**

- Establish two smart cities in each of the 28 states in the country in the second phase of the (JNNURM).
- Smart cities would be totally carbon neutral and energy efficient.
- •Insist on time-bound action by all states in particular focus on water too be saved and better managed.



#### Phase II will focus on (and is the need of the hour)

- Water conservation, wastewater management, solid waste management and rainwater harvesting as specific focus areas.
- Wastewater recycling and reusing that is completely missing in our water management system.
- Managerial and policy changes to handle the water management issues and community participation.
- Capacity building of the municipal officials to execute decentralised projects



## Need for the Workshop on the theme -

- The simple fact that public water and sewer service is getting expensive that even rich may not be able to afford
- Urban water conservation helps in lowering costs, improving the reliability of water and waste systems as well as helps achieve environmental goals by states and communities.



## Objectives of the workshop

- -To generate awareness about the best management practices (BMPs), state of art knowledge and reforms in the area of energy and resource efficiency in urban water management in NE states.
- -To discuss with key stakeholders the concept, issues/barriers and experiences in mainstreaming of the reforms related to EE & RE in UWM.
- -To explore capacity building support required to implement projects aimed at mainstreaming environmental sustainability related reforms in the NURM schemes.



## **Target Participants**

The workshop will be attended by key actors involved in urban water management in NE states:

- officials from municipalities, development authorities, SLNA, PMU/PIU, department of urban development / PHED
- NGOs and academics
- Researchers and other stakeholders

those involved in advocacy for sustainable water management in N E Region.



## Key themes to be discussed include

- Centralised / decentralised (City-Zone- Building)
- Public / Private
- Loss cost (Natural & Biological) or high cost (techno-mech/ chemicals based)
- Short / Medium / Long term



## Key themes to be discussed include -

- Co-management of water and energy
- Efficiency & conservation of water-energy resources
- Protection of water quality and acceptable risks
- •Cleaning up of polluted rivers and lakes safe practices
- Recent attempts of water efficiency water efficiency in buildings incl rain water harvesting and decentralized treatment including reuse/recycle



## THANK YOU

