

REPORTING 'GLOCAL' -- Local concerns, global fallouts  
Understanding environmental issues for better reportage

Media briefing for rural, regional and local journalists

Sambalpur, Odisha  
December 18-19, 2012

**Day 1: December 18, 2012**

**9.30-10.00 AM: Registration**

**10.00 AM: Welcome address**

*Ranjan Panda, convenor, Water Initiatives Odisha, Sambalpur*

**10.15-11.00 AM: Reporting on environment**

- *Souparno Banerjee, programme director-media, Centre for Science and Environment (CSE), New Delhi*
- *Richard Mahapatra, senior editor, Down To Earth, New Delhi*

**11.00-11.15 AM: Tea Break**

**11.15 AM-1.00 PM: Mining**

- *Overview: Prafulla Samantara, activist, Odisha*
- *Benefit sharing – a perspective: Souparno Banerjee*
- *Reporting on mining: Sunil Kumar, editor, Daily Chhattisgarh, Raipur and Priya Ranjan Sahu, senior journalist, Hindustan Times, Bhubaneswar*

**1.00-2.00 PM: Lunch**

**2.00-4.00 PM: Forests and communities**

- *Overview: Richard Mahapatra*
- *FRA – emerging issues: Manohar Chouhan, Campaign for Survival and Dignity, Bhubaneswar*
- *FRA and community rights: Vasavi Kiro, forest rights activist and journalist, Ranchi*
- *The law, environment and people: Biswajit Mohanty, Wildlife Society of Odisha, Bhubaneswar*
- *Open forum*

**4.00-4.15 PM: Tea Break**

**4.15-5.30 PM: Water**

- *Overview: Ranjan Panda*
- *Mining and water – the linkages: Prof Arttabandhu Mishra, environmentalist and retired academician*

- *Hirakud – our struggle today, the country's tomorrow: Ashok Pradhan, Pashchim Orissa Krushak Surakhya Samanvay Samiti*
- *Reporting on water: Richard Mahapatra*

**Day 2: December 19, 2012**

**8.00 AM to 6.00 PM: Field trip to the Hirakud Command Area**