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3rd International Conference of
River Health: Assessment to Restoration (RHAR), 2023
with
Special Session on Indo-Danish Smart Laboratory on Clean Rivers (SLCR)
October 12th, 2023
at Swatantrata Bhawan, BHU Campus, Varanasi (U.P.)
Organized by: Ministry of Jal Shakti, IIT(BHU), Denmark and SLCR

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Timing	Event
08:00 – 09:20	Registration, High-Tea, and Networking
09:20 – 09:30	Opening Ceremony: <i>Kulgeet</i> and <i>Deep Prajwalan</i>
THOUGHT LEADER SESSION	
Session I: Understanding the Clean River with the Perspective of Ministries/ Schemes	
Chair: Prof P K Singh, IIT(BHU) Co-Chair: Dr Anitha K Sharma, Danish Embassy	
09:30 – 10:00	Understanding the Clean River with the Perspective of Ministries/ Schemes 1. Mr. Hitesh Vaidya , Director, NIUA 2. Shri D P Mathuriya , NMCG, Executive Director (Technical) 3. Dr. V. K. Upadhyay , Director, SGWD, UP
Session II: Clean River with the perspective of Think Tanks & Social Organisations	
Chair: Dr V. R. Desai, Director IIT Dharwad Co-Chair: Dr P Nag, Director, Ex VC Kashi Vidyapith	
10:00 - 11:30	1. Prof. R. S. Verma , MMNIT Allahabad, Prayagraj 2. Dr. Varinder Kanwar , CEO, Quality Council of India (QCI) 3. Prof. Mohd. Javed , IIT Guwahati 4. Prof. Vikrant Jain , IIT Gandhinagar 5. Shri Basudev Panda , GM, Banaras Locomotive Works (BLW), Varanasi 6. Shri Bhola Singh , CMD, Northern Coalfields Limited (NCL) 7. Dr. GK Prabhu , Manipal University, Jaipur (MUJ)
11:30 - 11:45	BIO-BREAK

Session III: International Perspective on Clean River

Chair: Shri D. P. Mathuria, NMCG

Co-Chair: Dr Anitha K Sharma, Danish Embassy

11:45 - 13:00	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dr. Anitha K Sharma, Counsellor in Urban Development, Danish Embassy (Denmark) 2. Prof. Herve Piegay, Research Director, CNRS (France) 3. Dr. Antti Herlevi, Director of Water-Related Business Development, Finland Embassy (Finland) 4. Ms. Laura Sustersic, Project Director, GIZ (Germany) 5. Prof. Meine Piter Van Dijk, Maastricht School of Management (MSM), (Netherlands) 6. Ramboll (Singapore) (ONLINE) 7. Prof. Peter Mollinga, Professor, University of London (UK) 8. Prof M. S. Babel, Professor, Asian Institute of Technology (AIT), Thailand 9. Prof. Ayasha Akter, Professor, Bangladesh Agricultural University (BAU), (Bangladesh)
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13:00 – 14:00	LUNCH BREAK
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INAUGURAL SESSION	
14:00 - 14:05	<i>Deep Prajvalan</i> , Garlanding of the Bust of Mahamana Ji, Clean Ganga Sankalp, and <i>Kulgeet</i>
14:05 - 14:10	Opening Remark by Prof. P. K. Singh , Civil Engineering Department, IIT(BHU)
14:10 – 14:15	Welcome Address by Prof. S. Mandal , Head, Civil Engineering Department, IIT(BHU)
14:15 - 14:20	Welcome Address by Prof. P. K. Jain , Director, IIT(BHU) / Dean (R&D), IIT(BHU)
14:20 - 14:25	Address by Mr S. Rajalingam , District Magistrate, Varanasi
14:25 - 14:30	Address by Mr. Hitesh Vaidya , Director, National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA)
14:30 - 14:35	Address by Mr. G Asok , Director General, National Mission for Clean Ganga
14:35 – 14:45	Address by Guest of Honor – Mr Freddy Svane , Ambassador, Royal Danish Embassy in India
14:45 – 15:00	Address by Chief Guest – Shri Swatantra Dev Singh Ji , Hon'ble Minister, MoJS, GoUP
15:00 – 15:05	Vote of Thanks by Dr. Anurag Ohri , Department of Civil Engg., Department, IIT(BHU)
15:05 – 15:15	Felicitation Ceremony

15:15 – 15:30	TEA BREAK
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TECHNICAL SESSIONS

TECHNICAL SESSION I Planning to Implementation			TECHNICAL SESSION II Nature-based Solutions in the River Rejuvenation		
15:30-16:45	<u>Chair: Mr. Hitesh Vaidya, Director, NIUA</u> <u>Co-Chair: Dr Agnivesh, IIT(BHU)</u>		<u>Chair: Herve Piegay, France</u> <u>Co-Chair: Prof Vikrant Jain, IIT Gandhinagar</u>		
	(Venue: Senate Hall) Google Meet Link: https://meet.google.com/cbm-vokp-svv		(Venue: Conference Room) Google Meet Link: https://meet.google.com/eju-hctq-vyo		
	Presentation 1: Concepts developed in SLCR by Mrs. Rajni, Ramboll India		Presentation 1: Concepts developed in SLCR by Ramboll, India		
	Presentation 2: Prof. V. Datta, BBAU		Presentation 2: WRI on Remote Sensing-Based WQM by Dr. A. Ohri, IIT(BHU)		
	Presentation 3: GIZ on River Basin Planning, Ramganga and Tapi river basin plans by Dr. Sumit Gautam, GIZ		Presentation 3: (ONLINE) NCB concept developed in Udaipur		
	Presentation 4: NIUA on URMP by Dr. Victor Shinde, NIUA		Presentation 4: Prof. Meine Piter Van Dijk, Netherlands		
	Presentation 5: (ONLINE) Maharashtra IWRM Plan by Dr. Prof. Pennan Chinnasamy, IIT Bombay		Presentation 5: (ONLINE) Demonstration of Biodiversity Park by Prof. C R Babu, New Delhi		
	Presentation 6: Mike SHE Study in India by Dr. Kuldeep Pareta, DHI India		Presentation 6: Case Study by Ramboll, India		
	Presentation 7: (ONLINE) The Room for River concept by Mr Luit-Jan Dijkhuis, Ministry of Infrastructure & Water Management, Govt. of the Netherlands				
16:40 – 16:50	Concluding Remarks from the Chairperson		Concluding Remarks from the Chairperson		

16:50 - 17:00	SESSION TEA
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	TECHNICAL SESSION III Water Conservation Innovations and Best Practices	TECHNICAL SESSION IV Carbon-Neutral and Water-Positive
	<u>Chair:</u> Dr V Upadhyay, Director, SGWB <u>Co-Chair:</u> Dr Pramod Soni, IIT(BHU)	<u>Chair:</u> Shri D. P. Mathuria, NMCG <u>Co-Chair:</u> Dr Victor R. Shinde, NIUA
	(Venue: Senate Hall) Google Meet Link: https://meet.google.com/cbm-vokp-svv	(Venue: Conference Room) Google Meet Link: https://meet.google.com/eju-hctq-vyo
17:00 – 17:55	Presentation 1: Dr. Herve Piegay, Director CNRS, France	Presentation 1: (ONLINE) Water Positive in Rural Perspective by Dr. Heeralal , Special Secretary Irrigation, GoUP
	Presentation 2: (ONLINE) Water Conservation Initiative by Ground Water Department, GoUP, presented by Mr. Puneet Maurya , Geophysicist.	Presentation 2: Concepts developed in SLCR Dr. Nikhilesh , IIT(BHU)
	Presentation 3: Water Security by Prof. M S Babel , Prof. Sandhya Babel , AIT	Presentation 3: Capacity building of Villages (UNOPs) Dr. Vinod Mishra , Country Manager, UNOPS
	Presentation 4: RCA by Commissioner, Mr. Vishal Singh Ayodhya	Presentation 4: (ONLINE) Carbon Neutrality at Palli Village by Prof. Virendra Kumar Vijay , IIT Delhi, National Coordinator, Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (UBA)
	Presentation 5: RCA by Bhubaneswar	
17:55 – 18:00	Concluding Remarks from the Chairperson	Concluding Remarks from the Chairperson

End of the First Day Event!