Agenda note: A conference to bring together organizations on issues on Water Quality

February 20 and 21, 2025, YMCA, New Delhi

INREM Foundation

Background

INREM has been activating organizations around Water Quality issues with the larger goal of Water-Safe Communities across India. The Water Quality Network Conference has been getting together organizations around Water quality issues over the years. In the past one year, such meetups have been organized in Gujarat, Assam and Karnataka. Here in February, 2025, we are convening a national meet of the Water Quality Network conference with the following goals: The conference will be centered around addressing challenges and changes brought out by the Handbook on Monitoring Water Quality of Plped Drinking Water Supply released in Dec, 2024.

Day 1: February 20

9:30 am	Registration
10:00 am	Session 1: Jal Jeevan Mission, Water Quality and Communities
10:00-10:15 am	Inaugural session
10:15 am - 11:15 am	State level challenges and new approaches: CHOs for WQM&S in MP - Ravindra Pare, State Consultant, JJM MP Water Safety in Rajasthan - Nanak Santdasani, UNICEF Jaipur & PHED Rajasthan Experience from Mobile vans in Haryana - Amit Singh, Chief Chemist, Haryana
11:15-11:30	Meet and Greet over Tea
11:30 am - 12:15 pm	Panel on Addressing Community Challenges on WQ Khileshwari Sahu (Chattisgarh), Inha Manzoor (J&K), Sugandha Ganguly (Jharkhand)
12:15 pm - 1:00 pm	WRIS Water Data Collaboration with Civil Society Organizations - Arghyam and WRIS
1:00-2:00	Lunch

2:00 pm	Session 2: Civil society voices and Behaviour Change on Water Quality
2:00-3:00 pm	Diversity in Community voices from different regions and problems - Pravah, JSS, SPS, CML
3:00 pm - 3:30 pm	New Approaches to emerging problems - Nitrate by Gram Vikas
3:00 - 3:15	Tea break
3:15 pm - 4:00 pm	Panel on Behaviour change communication and WQ - Divyang Waghela, Shagata Mukherjee, Lalit Sharma
4:00 pm - 5:30 pm	Water and Behaviour Game - a role playing game to experience barriers and diversity in behaviours
7:30 pm onwards	Reception Dinner at same Venue

Day 2, February 21

10:00 am	Session 3: Innovations and Research on Water Quality Issues
10:00-10:30 am	Status of innovations and challenges with sensors, FTKs, Disinfection, Chlorination and FI/As treatment - E Nandakumar, ICCW
10:30 am - 11:15 noon	Touch and Feel with tech and AI - Groups engaging and creating solutions with Bots, AI, Voice solutions - Reap Benefit, Tech4Dev, ECHO
11:15 - 11:30 am	Tea break
11:30 am - 12:00 noon	Open discuss on emerging technologies - the excitement and the challenges
12:00-1:00 pm	Panel on Emerging issues and research - M. Lam, Eklavya Prasad, Suneetha Sapur
1:00-2:00	Lunch

2:00 pm	Session 4: JJM Interaction on O&M and Water Quality issues (Coordinating for RWPF by Water Aid and INREM)
2:00 - 2:15 pm	Inaugural (with Secretary JJM and AS & MD, JJM)
2:15 - 2:45 pm	Summary of workshops on O&M and Water Quality

2:45 - 3:15 pm	Response from JJM and vision for WQ in JJM 2.0
3:15 - 3:45	Interactions with Audience
3:45 - 4 pm	Conclusion
4 pm	High Tea