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National Workshop on Small Hydropower Projects: Its Role, Issues and Prospects in the Changing Energy and Environmental landscapes

Venue:
Energy Management Centre,
Sreekaryam, Thiruvananthapuram

Date:
5th & 6th of January 2017

Sir / Madam

Greetings from EMC - Kerala.

The Energy Management Centre – Kerala, in collaboration with the Kerala State Electricity Regulatory Commission and the Forum for Policy Dialogue on Water Conflicts in India is organizing a two day National Workshop on **‘Small Hydropower Projects: its Role, Issues and Prospects in the Changing Energy and Environmental landscapes’**. The workshop will be held at the Energy Management Centre, Sreekaryam, Thiruvananthapuram on the 5th and 6th of January 2017.

The workshop envisages at:

- 1) sharing of different experiences about implementation of small hydro power projects in India;
- 2) examining the policy, legal and institutional frame works relating to small hydro power projects in the country;
- 3) evolving short term and long term action plans for the sustainable development of small hydro power projects.

The main aspects of discussion at the workshop will include,

- (1) the legal, institutional and policy aspects of SHPs
- (2) the larger environmental and hydrological impacts
- (3) experiences and case studies about SHPs from different states and elsewhere,
- (4) different models of implementation of SHPs
- (5) possible role of SHPs in combination with other renewable source of energy to form local / micro grids
- (6) need for specifications and standards
- (7) challenges in integrating distributed generation with the grid
- (8) emerging technologies with respect of SHPs.

A concept paper on the workshop is enclosed.

Participants in the workshop will include representatives of agencies and power sector utilities in various states dealing with SHPs, Civil Society Organisations (CSOs), Local Self Government Institutions, statutory authorities and other stakeholders.

As a person with invaluable experience in the field of SHPs, the organisers are extremely happy and honoured to invite you to participate in this workshop and to share your experiences with us so that we can enrich our knowledge and experience in this field.

Please confirm your participation in the workshop to coordination team on or before 10.12.2016 in the contact details given below.

We shall send you the detailed programme schedule of the workshop soon on hearing from you. Expecting your active participation and blessings which we consider to be most valuable and fruitful.

Yours Sincerely,

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