

**Asia- Pacific Regional Consultation Workshop on Water and Poverty
Dhaka, 22-26 September 2002
Programme**

Day 1 22 September

08.30 – 10.45 Morning Session

08.30 - 9.15 -Late Registration.

09.30 - 9.50 Presentation on “water and poverty initiative” – by Dr. John Soussan.

09.50 -10.20 Listening to the poor: presentation by BRAC community representatives on water supply, sanitation and health.

10.20 - 10.45 Presentation on “Flood and Drought: Problems faced by the poor”.

11.00 - 12.30 Inaugural Ceremony

11.00 - 11.15 Guests take seat

11.15 - 11.25 [Welcome address – by Secretary, Ministry of Water Resources.](#)

11.25 – 11:45 Speech - Executive Director, BRAC.

11.45 - 12.05 [Speech - by ADB Vice-President.](#)

12.05 - 12.20 [Speech - by Hon'ble Minister for Water Resources, Bangladesh.](#)

12.20 - 12.40 [Speech - by Hon'ble Prime Minister of Bangladesh.](#)

13.00 - 14.00 Lunch

14.00 - 17.00 Afternoon Session

14.00 - 16.00 Working groups to discuss water security problems & coping strategies
(Tea/ Coffee: 15.00 – 15.30).

16.00 - 17.00 Plenary to report back on working group outputs.

Evening Dinner

Day 2 23 September

09.30 - 12.30 Morning Session

09.30 - 9.50 [Keynote presentation by Shireen Lateef, ADB](#)

09.50 - 10.10 Case Study: Coastal Policies in Bangladesh by DG, WARPO.

10.10 - 10.30 Community drama: Poor communities' perception of water and poverty.

10.30 - 11.00 Tea/coffee

11.00 - 12.30 Multi-stakeholder dialogue on pro-poor policies.

12.30 - 14.00 Lunch

14.00 - 17.00 Afternoon Session

14.00 - 16.00 Working groups to discuss pro-poor water policies. Themes are as follows –

1. Pro-poor Water Governance.
2. Improved access to Quality Water Services - Domestic Supply.
3. Improved access to Quality Water Services - Food Security.
4. Pro-poor Economic Growth and Livelihood Improvement.
5. Community Capacity Building and Empowerment.
6. Disaster Prevention and Mitigation.
7. Management of the Environment.

(Tea/ Coffee: 15.00 – 15.30).

16.00 - 17.00 Plenary Session to report back on working group outputs.

Day 3 24 September

9.30 - 12.30 Morning Session

9.30 - 12.30 Parallel sessions: Opportunity for delegates to present their case studies, ideas - 15 minutes presentations.
(Tea/coffee: 10.30 - 11.00).

12.30 - 14.00 Lunch.

14.00 - 17.00 Afternoon Session

14.00 - 14.20 [Keynote paper by Anukularmphai Apichart, Global Water Partnership](#)

14.20 - 14.40 Case study: SEWA, Gujarat India.

14.40 - 15.00 Drama by community group (BRAC).

15.00 - 16.00 Summarize outcomes so far and identify discussion themes for final working groups (by Initiative Team).

16.00 - 16.30 Tea/coffee

16.30 – 17.30 Closing Session

16.30 - 16.50 [Final Presentation: Actions to Kyoto and beyond – by Dr. John Soussan.](#)

16.50 - 17.30 Speeches: Executive Director, BRAC.

[Secretary, MoWR.](#)

Country Director, ADB Bangladesh Resident Mission

Finance Minister, Bangladesh – Chief Guest.

[Water Resources Minister, Bangladesh – Chairperson](#)

Day 4 25 September

Field Excursions. Projects for the field excursions and details will be worked out later. All sites are to make a poster display in the conference venue and delegates will sign up on a first come - first served basis.

Day 5 26 September

09.30 - 16.00 Smaller follow-up meetings, including the Steering Group (to review progress and determine follow-up to Kyoto) and to consolidate links with other themes and regions.