




**ADB Water Week 2004**  
**SITE VISITS**  
 30 January 2004

Participants will have the opportunity to visit one of the three sites below.

Please note:

- A maximum of 50 participants can be accommodated for each site. Deadline for registration for the site visits is at 12 NN, 27 January.
- Casual and comfortable attire is suggested.
- Participants are expected to be back at the ADB Headquarters by 1:30 PM.

Sites	Description
<p>Pasig River Visit</p> 	<p>The health of the Pasig river has been steadily deteriorating. By the 1980s, there was almost no river tourism, and fishing was no longer permissible. The river was declared biologically dead.</p> <p>Efforts to rehabilitate the river went in full swing in the early '90s. The Pasig River Rehabilitation Commission, the agency mandated to manage the river rehabilitation process, focuses on ridding the river of solid waste, redeveloping the waterfront, renovating bridges, supporting community-based programs, and promoting Clean River Zones.</p> <p>Participants joining this activity will have the opportunity to cruise along the Pasig River, see and discuss cleared and renewed urban areas, rehabilitated riverfront and riverside parks, and other significant projects. Representatives from the PRRC, NGOs and relocated communities will be available to answer questions during the cruise.</p> <p><b>Assembly- 8:00 AM, Zone A Auditorium</b></p>
<p>Laguna Lake Visit</p> 	<p>Laguna Lake is one of the biggest sources of fresh water. The lake lies within Metro Manila and has a surface area of 90,000 hectares that reaches the provinces of Rizal and Laguna. The bounties of the lake include milk fish, tilapia, shrimps, carps, and crabs.</p> <p>Participants joining this activity will have the opportunity to cruise along the lake, see fishpen activities and other ongoing improvements in the shoreland. They will also dialogue with river council representatives on integrated water resources management and related topics. In addition, representatives from the Laguna Lake Development Authority will be available to answer questions during the cruise.</p> <p><b>Assembly- 7:00 AM, Zone A Auditorium</b></p>
<p>Dialogue with a small scale water provider</p> 	<p>Inpart Engineering is family run business that provides water in 14 poor areas of Metro Manila. Their biggest area is a long-term squatter area (Addition Hills; 17,000 household) where public utility connection was not available due to lack of land tenure.</p> <p>In 1997, Inpart Engineering signed a BOT agreement with the local government to provide water to 17,000 households. Under this agreement, the local government requested a bulk connection to the public utility (Manila Waters) and handed it over to Inpart. Inpart invested in the development of the distribution system, paid the water utility bill, paid 10 percent of the gross revenue to the local government, and employed people from the community. Inpart will transfer the system to the local government after 20 years.</p> <p>Participants joining this site visit will have the opportunity to observe the operations of Inpart, understand why their collection efficiency rate is very high, and dialogue with the poor communities receiving water from this operation.</p> <p><b>Assembly- 8:00 AM, in front of ADB Main entrance</b></p>