

# Group-A

## Organizations and Coordination

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## • Background of Countries

**Afghanistan** – Five River Basins managed by Ministry of Water & Energy.  
Concerned departments : Agriculture, Irrigation, Environment

**Bangladesh** – Ministry of Water resources plays the key role in implementing and development of River Basin Management projects.

Concerned Ministries : Local government, environment, shipping, energy, agriculture, fisheries

**India** – Ministry of Environment is responsible for river basin management while the water development projects are being developed through Ministry of Water Resources under the central government, .

Concerned Ministries : irrigation, revenue,

Concerned departments: central pollution control board, river conservation directorate

## Background of Countries contd...

**Nepal** – Ministry of Water and Energy Commission Secretariat

Concerned Ministries : Water Resources, Physical Planning, Environment, Science and Technology, Local Development

Concerned departments: Water Supplies and Sewerage, Irrigation, Electricity Development, Hydrology and Meteorology.

**Pakistan** – Ministry of Water and Power is responsible at federal level,

Concerned Ministries : Irrigation and Power, environment, agriculture and forestry,

Concerned departments: planning and development,

**Sri Lanka** – There are ministries at Central and Provincial levels.

Concerned Ministries : Irrigation and Power, environment, agriculture and forestry,

Concerned ministries: Irrigation, Land and Agriculture, Mahaweli and river Basin & Rajarata Development, Housing and Urban development

## Issues

- Apex bodies has advisory functions only
- Lacks coordination among the concerned ministries and departments
  - Apex bodies are not well represented by professionals of different disciplines as well as concerned ministries.
- Apex bodies lack empowerment
- Lacks coordination among the countries, among states within the country and among government and stakeholders.

## Steps to be taken

- Apex bodies should be strengthened in order to monitor and evaluate implementation of project.
- Provide for better coordination among all concerned stakeholders
- Apex body should be well represented by concerned ministries, departments and Stakeholders.
- Empower the apex bodies
- Activation of joint river commissions

Thank You