

# Water Voice

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World Water Council  
3rd World Water Forum

## Listening to the "Water Voice" will move the World

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Issued by the Secretariat of the 3rd World Water Forum

### Editorial:

by Hideaki ODA

Dear Readers,

It gives me a great pleasure to introduce this first issue of the "Water Voice" Newsletter. I am sure that this newsletter will create the necessary link for exchange of information among all contributors to the "Water Voice" Messenger Project.

As a lead-up to the 3rd World Water Forum, the "Water Voice" Project is launched to collect grass-roots opinions and ideas called "Water Voices", on water issues from people around the world. The goal of the project is to bring together these opinions based on personal experiences, which will be used as valuable resources towards the establishment of the foundations of the 3rd World Water Forum.

"Water Voice" Messengers around the world will volunteer to listen to the "Water Voice" and will contribute significantly to solving water related problems around the world. Anyone who is interested in water issues can be a "Water Voice" Messenger. We invite all interested citizens, the staff of international organizations, NGO members, overseas representatives of private enterprises, travelers, schoolteachers to volunteer to take on the key role of "Water Voice" Messenger.

We shall also need and look forward to your contribution to make this newsletter reflect your thoughts. Our secretariat is open to all your comments and suggestions and stays at your disposal to accommodate your ideas.

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### How to become a Water Voice Messenger:

- ① Read the rules and regulations, if you accept them
- ② Fill in the form
- ③ Send it to the Secretariat
  - By e-mail: [voice@water-forum3.com](mailto:voice@water-forum3.com)
  - By post: Water Voice Project, Kojimachi Yubinkyoku Dome, TOKYO 102-8787, JAPAN
  - By fax: +81-3-5212-1648

You will receive your certificate within 4 weeks

### Hearing your "Voice"

#### Community involvement in improving water supply

The supply of water in Tarime District is at most available in the low-density areas. Accessibility to water in other areas of the town is very difficult.

The water is consumed without any prior treatment and without even getting rid of foreign particles that enter into the storage tanks. New sources of water are available and there is a possibility of replacing worn out pipes. There is need however to improve the quality of water by treating it before use.

All stakeholders including the government, NGOs, and able-bodied individuals should contribute financially to the improvement of the water supply systems and provision of necessary equipments to improve the situation.

*"Voice" message sent by M. MADULU*

### "Voices" in numbers

	New Messengers this month.....	<b>30</b>
	Total number of Messengers.....	<b>190</b>
	Number of Partner Organizations.....	<b>39</b>
	Total number of Voices.....	<b>24</b>

### Focusing on

This picture found on the Internet by one of our Messengers...



## Messenger of the month

M. NDALAHWA FAUSTIN MADULU is from Tanzania. He is working in the Institute of Resources Assessment at the University of Dar Es Salaam and he registered as a Messenger a few weeks ago. Thanks to his efficient work, 9 messages have been collected. We are pleased to thank M. MADULU, and to designate him as the Messenger of this month.

Thus, and until now, the Secretariat has decided to award one messenger each month for his/her valuable work. The "Messenger of the Month" elected will be offered a tape recorder as a contribution for the efforts he/she is developing within the project.

### Reminder

*If the Voices you collect prove to be a valuable source of information in terms of having an impact at discussions leading to the Forum, then you may be selected as a Special Messenger of Honor and be invited to Kyoto in March 2003 to present your Voice at the 3rd World Water Forum.*

## Where can we meet ?

Up-coming events where you can meet one of our Secretariat member

Date	Meeting	Place
Sept 12-15	Asian Waterqual 2001 First IWA Asia-Pacific Regional Conf.	Fukuoka, Japan
Sept 17-21	IAHR Biennial Congress	Beijing, China
Sept 24-28	22 <sup>nd</sup> session of the ACC Subcommittee on Water Resources	Geneva, Switzerland
Oct 9-11	The first GIWA General Assembly	Kalmar, Sweden
Oct 15-19	IWA 2001 World Water Congress Berlin	Berlin, Germany

## Partner organization's corner

### ① What is a "Water Voice" Partner Organization:

An organization that will cooperate with the Secretariat of the 3rd World Water Forum in a collective effort to support activities of the Water Voice Project by:

- ↳ advertising,
- ↳ soliciting and recruiting of Water Voice Messengers who belong to or related to the organization,
- ↳ other: providing lecture and seminars, assistance to the input of Water Voices, Voice data transmission, translation support...

### ② How to Register?

By filling out and returning a Statement of Support of Water Voice Partner Organization Form to the Secretariat.

**Among the 39 partners that joined us, latest are :**

- The World Water Council-International Organization
- Action for Mangrove Reforestation-Japan
- International Water & Sanitation Center-The Netherlands
- Metasequoia Grove Association-Japan
- Hokkaido Environment Foundation-Japan
- International Water Management Institute-Sri Lanka
- Foundation of Osaka Green trust-Japan
- Directorate for Water Resources Management-Indonesia

## We need your suggestions!

We need to share with the world your experience of collecting the "Voices" and therefore your suggestions & comments are very important to us. Please consider this to be **your** newsletter.

"Water Voice" Editor: [voice@water-forum3.org](mailto:voice@water-forum3.org)

## Registration Form to become a "Water Voice" Messenger

I agree to abide by the rules and regulations of "Water Voice" Messenger Project\*

Name <sup>Ⓞ</sup>					
Mailing Address <sup>Ⓞ</sup>					
Identification number <sup>Ⓞ</sup> (ID with picture) <i>* Please note that passport is most preferable. This identification number will be printed on the certification.</i>					
Occupation / Organization					<input type="checkbox"/> I agree to run my occupation/organization on your website
Age		Gender			
Telephone		Fax			
E -ma i l					<input type="checkbox"/> I agree to run my e-mail on your website
Native Country			Usable language		
Possible visiting regions for collecting "Water Voice"	Eastern Africa	Middle Africa	Northern Africa	Southern Africa	Western Africa
	Eastern Asia	South-central Asia	South-eastern Asia	Western Asia	
	Eastern Europe	Northern Europe	Southern Europe	Western Europe	
	Caribbean	Central America	South America	Northern America	
	Australia / New Zealand	Melanesia	Micronesia	Polynesia	
Input method of "Water Voice"	Website		Fax		Post

\* Rules and regulation of the Water Voice Messenger Project are available on our website or upon request to our Secretariat

<sup>Ⓞ</sup> required

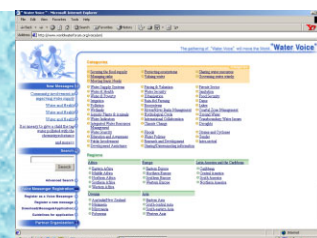
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Need more info ?

You can contact us via e-mail, post or fax !!!

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