The National Water Academy (Khadakwasla, Pune, India) announces a three day “Introductory Program” for NGOs and media persons active in water and environment sector. The program is for three days duration, from 29 to 31 July 2009.

This program will cover basics of hydrology – surface and ground water processes; India’s water budget – availability & requirement; Putting water to use - introduction to dams, barrages, canal, hydro-power structures, etc.; Extreme events - flood and drought management; Water quality and environmental flows in rivers; Trans basin transfer of water (ILR); National Water Policy; Social & environmental impacts of hydraulic infrastructure; and Water Sector Reforms, and a “familiarization visit” to a dam.

This is a short duration program and is designed mainly for the participants from and near Pune area, though participants from elsewhere are also welcome. (later this year there will be a longer duration and more exhaustive program, which the participants coming from afar will find more worthwhile)

There is no program fee, and for participants residing in Pune area virtually there is no other cost. NWA will arrange transportation in NWA bus from a central location in Pune in the morning and back again at the end of each day. All course material, field visits, tea-coffee and working lunch is complementary. Any outstation participants will be provided accommodation in the NWA hostel, where the cost of lodging and boarding for the participants is Rs 125/- per day.

There are only limited number of seats available. Click here to download the registration form, or visit the NWA website http://nwa.mah.nic.in and send the completed registration form by Fax to 020 24380110. For any clarifications email A K Srivastava, Program Coordinator, at nwa.mah@nic.in.

**Milestone dates**

10th July 2009 Last date for the receipt of registration forms.

17th July 2009 List of accepted participants put up at NWA website