



## Soil and Water Conservation in India: Programme formulation

Dehra Dun, 2 February 2013. With the objectives to review the existing module of 165-day regular training programme, finalization of contents and duration of the revised training module, and establishment of Advanced Skill Development Centre for Soil and Water Conservation, Dr J S Samra (CEO, National Rainfed Area Authority, Government of India) inaugurated a two-day National Consultation Workshop on 'Planning Capacity Building Programmes for Soil and Water Conservation in India' at Central Soil and Water Conservation Research and Training Institute, Dehra Dun on 1 February 2013. He stressed that the modification in existing training programme was long felt need to be in tune with the updated policies and programmes prevailing in the field of land and water management.

He further added that many organization/agencies/ NGOs are imparting training on such subject and they are strong competitors for institutions like Central Soil and Water Conservation Research and Training Institute. Therefore, this Institute should make sincere efforts to formulate the training programme to fit in the existing policies of training criteria native to various states and should develop a tailor-made course to build capacity of the stakeholders befitting with popular Government of India programmes, viz., Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act, *Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana*, Integrated Watershed Management Programme etc.

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