

Technical Session-5: Community Participation in watershed management - Community perspectives on LRI based approaches, National Technical Guidelines and other policy issues

Chairperson: Shri Mahesh B. Shirur, IFS, Commissioner, WDD, GoK

Rapporteurs: Dr. S. Ganesamoorthi, Prof. of Agri. Extension, UASB
Dr. N. Manjula, Prof. of Agri. Extension, UASB

Watershed Yatra - Creating awareness about watershed development activities among farming communities	14.00-14.45	Shri Nitin Khade, IAS Joint Secretary (WM) DoLR, GoI, New Delhi
Field Experience of Community Engagement to Implement LRI based Watershed Program	14.45-15.30	JDA of REWARD District
Highlights of draft National technical guidelines	15.30- 16.30	Dr. Susama Sudhishri Technical Expert (WD) NRAA, New Delhi

Valedictory Session 17.00-18.00



Cultural Programme (18.30-19.30)



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June 5, 2025

8.00- 15.00

Field visit to Maidalakere Sub-watershed, Tumkur District and Programme to observe World Environment Day

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Celebrating Diamond Jubilee

National Conference on Land Resource Inventory for Sustainable Watershed Management

Date: June 3-5, 2025

Program Details

Venue:

Dr. Babu Rajendra Prasad International Convention Centre
University of Agricultural Sciences
Gandhi Krishi Vignana Kendra (GKVK)
Bengaluru-560 065



June 3, 2025

Inaugural Session 10.00–11.30 hrs

Technical Session-1: Panel discussion 12.00–13.00 hrs

Rapporteurs: Dr. Siddayya, Professor & Head, IABM, UASB
Dr. R. Jayaramaiah, Prof. & Head, Agrometeorology, UASB

Theme: Watershed Development in India- Way Forward

Upscaling LRI approach to National level, Cost norms, Centralised data centre

Panelists:

1. Dr. Ashok Dalwai, IAS(R), Chairman, Agri. Price Commission of Karnataka Bengaluru- Chairperson
2. Shri Nitin Khade, IAS, Joint Secretary (WM), DoLR, Gol, New Delhi
3. Shri J. V. R. Murty, Consultant, World Bank
4. Dr. J. Ravishankar, IAS, Secretary, Dept. of Agriculture, GoK
5. Shri Y. S. Patil, IAS, Commissioner, Dept. of Agriculture, GoK
6. Shri Mahesh B. Shirur, IFS, Commissioner, WDD, GoK
7. Dr. C. P. Reddy, Sr. Addl. Commissioner, DoLR, Gol, New Delhi

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Technical Session-2:

Prospects of LRI-Based Approaches in Watershed Management (14.00–16.00)

Chairperson: Shri Nitin Khade, IAS, Joint Secretary, DoLR, Gol, New Delhi

Rapporteurs: Dr. B. G. Vasanthi, Sr. Scientist (Soil Science), DLAP, UASB
Dr. C. Seenappa, Professor of Agronomy, UASB

An overview of watershed development programs implemented in India	14.00–14.30	Dr. C. P. Reddy Sr. Addl. Commissioner DoLR, Gol, New Delhi
An overview of Watershed Development in Karnataka and the way forward	14.30–15.00	Shri Mahesh B. Shirur, IFS Commissioner, WDD, GoK Bengaluru
Experience of implementation of REWARD in Odisha	15.00–15.30	Dr. Dayanidhi Bag Joint Director (REWARD) Odisha
LRI based approach in watershed management	15.30–16.00	Dr. A. Natarajan Consultant, World Bank

TEA BREAK

Technical Session-3:

Land Resource Inventory and Hydrology (16.30–18.45)

Chairperson: Dr. N. G. Patil Director, NBSS&LUP, Nagpur

Rapporteurs: Dr. R. Vasundhara, Sr. Scientist, NBSS&LUP, Bengaluru
Dr. B. D. Premanand, Professor (SWC), CoAE, UASB

Global perspectives on watershed development	16.30–17.15	Ms. Nora Kaoues Lead Agric. Economist World Bank, Washington
Effect of LRI based nutrient application in different agro-climatic zones of Karnataka	17.15–18.00	Dr. N. B. Prakash Special Officer/ Dr. N. Nagaraja CoE-WM UAS, Bengaluru
Monitoring hydrological parameters at micro watershed level	18.00–18.45	Dr. P. K. Mishra Former Director ICAR- IISWC Dehradun



Cultural Programme (19.00–20.30)



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Technical Session-4:

Decision Support Systems for Watershed Planning (9.30–13.00)

Chairperson: Dr. P. L. Patil, Vice-Chancellor, UAS, Dharwad

Rapporteurs: Dr. D. C. Lingadevaru, Group Head, KRSAC, Bengaluru
Dr. R. Sreenivasan, Sr. Scientist, NBSS & LUP, Bengaluru

Experience of using SWAT in hydrological monitoring	9.30–10.15	Dr. Dwarika Mohan Das Scientist (Ag. Engg.) OUAT, Odisha
Development of decision support systems for LRI based watershed management	10.15–11.00	Dr. N. L. Rajesh Director, KRSAC, GoK Bengaluru
Development of decision support systems for hydrology-based watershed management	11.30–12.15	Dr. Sekhar Muddu Professor IISc, Bengaluru
Demonstration of LRI Portal, DSS & Mobile App by WDD as also DPR preparation	12.15–13.00	Dr. H. S. Virupaksha Dr. N. Nagaraja CoE-WM, UASB

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