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To,

Principle Secretaries / Secretaries in charge of Sanitation/
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Sub: 6th South Asian Conference on Sanitation (SACOSAN-VI) – Dhaka, Bangladesh – 11-13 January, 2015 - Call for Technical Papers- reg.

Sir,

As you are aware that, the Biennial South Asian Conference on Sanitation (SACOSAN) have been a great platform for the Governments, Regional Partners, Support agencies, practitioners and professional agencies and Civil Societies to engage in constructive dialogue and in agreeing commitments and collective effort to faster regional collaboration in pursuit of meeting the sanitation challenges in the region.

The 6th SACOSAN will be hosted by Bangladesh from 11-13 January 2016 in Dhaka with the motto of “**Better Sanitation, Better Life**” and with the following 8 thematic Technical focus Sessions.

Sl No.	Theme	Lead Country
1.	Hygiene Promotion	Afghanistan
2.	Urban Sanitation	Bangladesh
3.	Gender, Equity and Right (GER)	Bhutan
4.	R & D and Innovation	India
5.	Financing of Sanitation and International Cooperation	Maldives
6.	WASH in Institutions and public Places	Nepal
7.	Climate Change and Sanitation	Pakistan
8.	Sanitation for Hard to Reach Areas	Sri Lanka

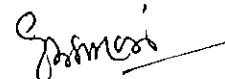
The SACOSAN VI Secretariat invites professionals, potential speakers to submit technical papers to be considered for presentation at the Technical Focus Sessions of the 6th South Asian Conference on Sanitation (SACOSAN-VI) to be held on 11-13 January 2016. The Lead country will review all submissions and select 4 best write-ups to prepare presentation.

The summary of technical papers on the above 8 themes from the professionals should reach the Ministry to Dr. (Mrs.) D.S. Shyni, Consultant (San.&WM) (+91 9654256770/ shyni.stephen@gov.in) by 25th May 2015 for onward submission to the respective lead counties before 31st May 2015.

A guideline for preparation of technical papers is attached herewith for reference. It is also informed that the papers not prepared according to the guidelines provided or submitted after the deadline will not be considered.

For further information's please visit <http://www.mdws.gov.in> , www.sacosanvi.gov.bd also.

Yours faithfully,



(G. Balasubramanian)
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Encl: As above

Copy to

1. All SBM (G) State Coordinators.

Copy for information to :

PPS to Secretary / PPS to JS (SBM)/ DS (SBM)

Tech. Director (NIT) to host in the Ministry's website.

Guidelines for Technical Paper :

1. The lead country will circulate an invitation for submission of summary of technical papers on 8 (eight) thematic Technical Focus Sessions through any convenient way (public call, news media, circular in organization's/institution's website, direct contact etc.) within a fixed timeline with a copy to SACOSAN-VI Secretariat. The papers from the participants of other than the lead country should be submitted to the respective country focal person who will then pass it to the lead country;
2. A general circular will also be floated in the SACOSAN-VI website with a list of thematic Technical Focus Sessions with the name of lead countries;
3. The lead country will review all submitted papers and select four best write ups to prepare presentation;
4. The lead country will ask the respective four selected individuals/organizations /institutes/civil societies to submit full papers not exceeding 12 pages and the presentations not exceeding 15 minutes. The lead country will review all selected papers and presentations and ask them to submit the final version if there is any correction;
5. The Country Focal Person of lead country will then forward the finalized four papers and presentations with detail address of the speaker to the SACOSAN-VI Secretariat for further action;
6. No paper and presentation will be received after October 2015 by the SACOSAN-VI Secretariat.

List of thematic Technical Focus Session and the name of the lead country

Sl.	Name of Thematic Session	Lead Country	Responsible Partner(s)
1	Hygiene Promotion	Afghanistan	WSSCC
2	Urban Sanitation	Bangladesh	WHO, BMGF
3	Gender, Equity and Right (GER)	Bhutan	UNICEF, FANSA, WSSCC
4	R & D and Innovation	India	WSSCC, WSP, BMGF
5	Financing of Sanitation and International Cooperation	Maldives	Water Aid, WSP
6	WASH in Institutions and Public Places	Nepal	Unicef, WaterAid, WHO
7	Climate Change and Sanitation	Pakistan	Water Aid, WHO
8	Sanitation for Hard to Reach Areas	Sri Lanka	FANSA, WSSCC