

Country Policy Support Programme

International Commission on Irrigation and Drainage

Some Opening Remarks for the Special Session

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A historic background which initiated
ICID's Country Policies Support Programme (CPSP)

- World Water Vision for food and rural development at WWF2.
Three sectors - food , people, nature.
- Anomalies between WFFRD and Overview vision
- **ICID's strategy from vision to action and CPSP.**
- CPSP to synergise international expertise for policy support
- To commence with 'select' countries with a large scale of irrigated agriculture for food security. Chosen country set include: **China, India, Egypt, Mexico, Pakistan. (43 % people and 51% irrigated)**

Specific objective of the CPSP

- **To evolve, improve and identify interventions to the present country policies related to water resources development and management;**
- **To commence with studies in five countries i.e. China, Egypt, India, Mexico and Pakistan.**

Phase I Components:

- Broadbased National Dialogues, primarily in China and India with involved and related parties.
- Preparation of National Dialogue Reports for China and India
- Initial broad-based National Dialogues in Egypt, Mexico and Pakistan
- Improvement of the PODIUM and IMPACT models, including a better integration between both models
- Presentation of results at the ICID Congresses
- Presentation in the World Water Forum

OTHER ASSOCIATED / CONTRIBUTING ORGANISATIONS

- **IWMI, FAO, IFPRI, IPTRID, WB**

DIALOGUE (IWMI) - PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS

- **FAO, IFAP, GWP, ICID, IUCN, IWMI, UNEP, WHO, WWC, WWF**

THE POLICY ISSUES



Water for Food

- **Shift in the concept of "Water Resources".**
- **Accounting water use by the sector, and integration.**
- **Proper accounting of return flows, indicator of hazard (PQW).**
- **Consumptive use (evapotranspiration) management.**
- **Watershed Management and water harvesting.**
- **Integrating surface water and groundwater use in irrigation.**
- **Integrated management of land and water resources.**

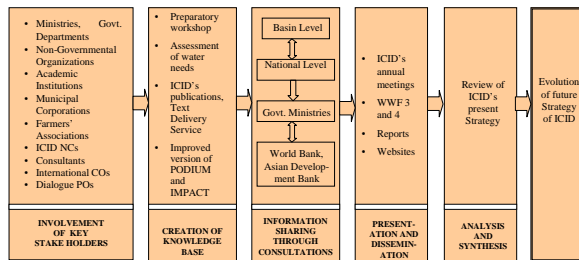
Water for People

- **National Policies and Dimensions of priority, if any**
 - water allocation by uses
 - Drinking
 - Industrial
 - Recycling of Water
 - treatment of waste water at source and the reuse (for irrigation etc)

Water for Nature

- Terrestrial Eco system Needs as gleaned from Consumptive Uses
- Aquatic needs which is non consumptive: Procedures to establish the requirements – desirable approaches
- Quantification of Minimum flows in streams: (*dilution of waste water philosophy to be discouraged. Zero effluent from industries.*)

COUNTRY POLICY SUPPORT PROGRAMME (CPSP) CONTENT AND APPROACH



Overall Objectives of ICID's CPSP studies

- Country Policies can be revisited to show sensitiveness to sharing aspects;
- International Organisations concerned with water sharing might find it an added tool to enhance the 'knowledge Base' which can help solving conflicting interests of environmental sustainability and food security
- An useful tool for the "Water Sector Strategy"

Present Status

- India and China
 - Two Basins in each of these two countries have been studied in depth completing all envisaged Processes
 - Report and Publications were brought out; these will also be released during Beijing Congress Opening Ceremony
- Pakistan, Mexico and Egypt
 - National Consultation completed; Reports in preparation; works will be introduced

IWMI / IFPRI Components

- IWMI
 - Completion of PodiumSim for Basins in India and China and introduction in National Consultation and Policy Dialogue Session I Moscow in IEC sessions 2004
- IFPRI (WaterSim)
 - WaterSim is slated for introduction in Beijing Sessions on CPSP – Consultations and Review; A session will also be planned in Delhi in Dec 2005

Dissemination

- **CPSP Workshop, Cairo, 3 August 2004**
- **CPSP Workshops and National Consultations, Beijing, 7 August 2004**
- **DWFE, Stockholm & WWW August 2004**
- **3rd IUCN World Conservation Congress, Bangkok, 19 November 2004**
- **CPSP Orientation Workshop, New Delhi 13-17 December 2004**

Dissemination2

- 5th International R&D Conference, Bangalore, India 14 February 2005
- The East African Integrated River Basin Management Conference, Morogoro, Tanzania, 7-9 March 2005
- 2nd International Forum on Partnerships for Sustainable Development, Marrakech, Morocco 21-23 March 2005
- 3rd International Conference on Irrigation and Drainage, San Diego, USA, 30 March - 2 April 2005
- Inscription under the "Local Actions" Sabarmati Basin case study of India as a contribution of ICID for WWF 4 theme of Local Action for the Global Challenge"

Possible Phase II as envisaged in Stage I include

- Implementation of recommendations of Phase I in practice
- Broadbased National Dialogues in Egypt, Mexico and Pakistan, with involved and related parties
- Preparation of National Dialogues Reports for Egypt, Mexico and Pakistan
- Evaluation of experiences with government, agency and stakeholder representatives in China and India
- Broadbased workshops to discuss how results of practical application can be used in strategies of government agencies, donors, private sector and stakeholders groups
- **We shall see at the end of the presentation a possible approach & a new formulation for Phase II**
- **Funding support is yet to be explored**