SEMINAR ANNOUNCEMENT

FMIS in the Changed Context

The purpose of this announcement is to invite international participants to the seminar on *FMIS in the Changed Context* to be organized by Farmer Managed Irrigation Systems (FMIS) Promotion Trust from 18th to 19th April 2002 in Kathmandu, Nepal.

The objective

The objective of the seminar is to share ideas, experience and information on the fast changing context of FMIS. The FMIS context is influenced by changes in local social system, national and international economic environment and natural resource base including overall water scarcity. Developments of pluralistic society and self-governance have played their role in the changed FMIS context as well. Two factors have come out prominently: first, the necessary to undertake integrated water resource management (IWRM) so that the scarce resource is better utilized across the sectors; second, the recognition of the role of the individuals and communities for autonomous and decentralized water resource management. The recognition of the role of the individuals and communities in water resources management has brought to the fore the question on water as basic human rights.

Seminar Sequences

The seminar will follow these sequential steps: i) inauguration, ii) bestowing of honor-awards to distinguished FMIS scholars, iii) key-note speeches by the distinguished FMIS scholars, iv) presentation of research papers, v) plenary discussion on the papers presented, vi) summary of issues identified in the key note speeches and research papers and vii) vote of thanks.

Papers

Four types of paper presentation are expected:

- a. Key-note speech papers
- b. Collaborative research papers
- c. Invited papers
- d. Individual in-country papers

The researchers/practitioners who would like to contribute their papers on the selected theme to the seminar are requested to send their papers with abstract in 400 words to the address given below.

Supports to be provided

FMIS Promotion Trust will not provide any international travel support to the international participants. It will provide accommodation and food of reasonable standard to them. Incountry participants will pay for their travel costs. The Trust will provide lunch and teaduring the seminar.

Format of the paper preparation

FMIST will collect papers but will not make multiple copies for distribution. Only abstracts will be distributed. The paper writers are requested to submit their papers in the following format.

The full text of the papers prepared on standard bond paper of A4 or 22cm x 30 cm size, after having been scrutinized and accepted, will be published as a part of the seminar proceedings.

The paper should be prepared in format given below.

Top/Bottom Margin	: 2.5 cm
Left/Right Margin	: 2.5 cm
Typing/Print Area	: 15 cm x 22 cm Single Space, Single Column
Font Type	: Times Roman
Title	: 14 Point BOLD CAPITAL
Author's Name	: 12 Point BOLD CAPITAL
Affiliation &Address	: 11 Point Upper-Lower
Main Heading(s)	: 10 Point BOLD CAPITAL
Sub-Heading(s)	: 10 Point BOLD Upper-Lower
Text	: 10 Point
Print	: Preferably Laser Print or Letter Quality.
(Matrix Print is not acceptable).	

The title, name(s) of author(s) and affiliation and address should be typed in the center of the page at a distance of 5 cm below the top margin on the first page. The paper should begin with a synopsis/abstract of not more than 400 words giving the gist of the paper highlighting the main points of the paper. Type the headings, sub-headings and paragraphs aligned with the left-hand margin. Double space should be left above and below headings/sub-headings. Figures should be drawn in black ink on translucent paper or acetate material (Gateway Tissue) and placed nearer to the first reference in the text. Photographs on glossy paper may be included, if absolutely necessary.

The papers prepared on IBM compatible computer floppy disks of size 3.5" in conformity with the above must also be sent. These should be prepared by using MS WORD (suitable for windows). However, a hard copy of the paper must also be sent. The total number of pages should not exceed 20 pages including charts, figures and analysis. Full citation for the references should be given at the end of the paper.

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