

**Gurgaon First Presents Workshop on** 

# TACKLING GURGAON'S WATER CRISIS

October 10, 2013
Auditorium IRRAD, Plot no. 34, Sector 44, Behind Epicentre, Gurgaon



Organiser:



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# Workshop Agenda

- Gurgaon is facing a serious water problem. The city has no natural sources of water and ground water reserves are fast depleting.
- Another issue is that water is still not metered in Gurgaon. Unmetered supply is leading to low priority given by consumers to this precious resource and hence there is rampant mismanagement and wastages.
- Besides, water supply and distribution infrastructure in the city needs to be revamped. There are leakages in pipes that lead to loss of water.
- While water is in short supply for residents, it is being illegally supplied to builders who need water in large quantities. There has been a blanket ban on digging borewells in 2007 and another ban of groundwater extraction; but both embargoes are flouted time and again.
- Besides, there is very little focus on water conservation, recycle and reuse. Rainwater harvesting has been
  made mandatory in 2012, yet very little water is being saved and collected through this means. Recycling of
  sewage water and its use in construction should be encouraged. Both these measures if strictly adhered to,
  will help increase the ground water levels.
- Gurgaon needs to retain and revive water bodies ("johads") to not only help store water but also contribute towards making the city green and environment friendly.
- Finally, people who live in villages in and around Gurgaon do not have access to safe and adequate water. This issue also needs to be addressed expeditiously.
- Specifically, the workshop will address questions such as:
  - How serious is the water problem in Gurgaon?
  - How are authorities viewing this issue and what is their action plan?
  - How can we have better structures, systems, technology and infrastructure in place to improve the water systems?
  - How can water supply sources be augmented?
  - What role can ordinary citizens and RWAs play at a local level do to make a difference?
  - How can rain water harvesting be implemented more effectively?
  - How can poor people in Gurgaon access safe and affordable drinking water?

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# Target Audience

The workshop should interest:

- Water Purification Solution Provider
- Water Treatment and Technology Companies
- Water Project Developers and PC Contractors
- Water Storage and Transportation Companies
- Gurgaon Authorities including MCG and HUDA

- Corporates of Gurgaon
- NGOs in Water Sector
- RWAs of Gurgaon
- Water Consultants
- Progressive Citizen Groups of Gurgaon and NCR

## Workshop Format

The workshop will begin at 9:30 am and end with Lunch. There will be three distinct sessions during the workshop namely

- i Gurgaon's Water Problem: Issues and Perspective
- ii Government Initiatives And Action Plan
- iii Possible Solutions and Way Forward
- iv The workshop will have top-notch speakers from Water Management Companies, Municipal Corporation of Gurgaon and HUDA, Pollution Control Boards, Water experts.

## Workshop Fee

- The delegate fee for the workshop is Rs 3,000. (For two delegates, the fee is Rs 5,600 while for three delegates the fee is Rs 8,000).
- Individuals registering before September 30, 2013 will get a discounted price of Rs 2,400. (For two delegates, the early bird fee is Rs 4,200 while for three delegates the fee is Rs 5,700).
- For residents, RWAs, citizen bodies and associations as well as NGOs of Gurgaon, the fee is Rs 1,200 only before **September 30, 2013** and Rs 1,500 after the date.

# How to register?

To register as a delegate, kindly send us an email at workshopgurgaonfirst@gmail.com with the name, designation and organization of the participant. Along with this, you would need to send us the delegate fee through cheque in favour of "Gurgaon First" at our office address or effect a "wire transfer".

For further details, call us anytime during office hours at 0124-4384669.

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