

Ministry of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation

## National Seminar on Sediment Management in Indian Rivers

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Ministry of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation has organized a National conference on sediment management in Indian rivers on March 17, 2017 at New Delhi. Many experts including Dr. M. A. Chitale, Expert Member, NGRBA, Professor Vinod Tare, IIT, Kanpur, Professor A. K. Gosain, IIT – Delhi, Dr. M. K. Sinha, Director, CWPRS, Pune will be attending the daylong conference. The conference will be inaugurated by Union Minister of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation Sushri Uma Bharti.

It may be recalled that Union Minister of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation Sushri Uma Bharti had expressed the view that urgent steps may be taken to formulate a comprehensive policy on sediment management in Indian rivers. The Ministry is of the view that such a comprehensive policy can be developed only with extensive consultations with stakeholders.

The issue of sediment management in rivers including siltation and dredging has been engaging attention of the public for quite some time. The need for formulating a comprehensive policy on sediment management in rivers cannot be overstated on account of its serious implications on flooding, environment, river health and navigation.

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