



India water week-2012

National Seminar on “Water Bodies and Sustaining Food Security” and exhibition by DHAN Vayalagam (tank) Foundation



DHAN Foundation, Madurai took part in a week long “India Water Week” convened by Ministry of Water Resources, Government of India, New Delhi. The event got organized at Vigyan Bhavan, India Habitat Center and Central Board of Irrigation and Power (CBIP) on 10-14 April 2012. The inauguration was done by Shri. Manmohan Singh, Honorable Prime Minister of India in the presence of Mr. Pawan Kumar Bansal, Honorable Minister for water resources and Mr. Sarad Pawar, Honorable Minister for agriculture.

In this grand event, DHAN Foundation conducted an exhibition at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi on 10-12, April 2012 (Hall NO: 9, Stall 11) highlighting the grassroots water resource development interventions done by DHAN Foundation. Many delegates and public visited the exhibition.



On 13th April 2012, DHAN Foundation conducted a national seminar on “Water Bodies (Irrigation tanks) and Sustaining Food Security” in the conference room of CBIP, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi. Shri .Jairam Ramesh, Govt. of India inaugurated the seminar and released a manual on Ahar-Pyne rehabilitation in South Bihar”. In his inaugural speech, he highlighted the contributions of MGNREGS in creating Water Assets in Rural India and said the ministry is in the path of constant improvement of the MGNREGS. He appreciated the contributions of DHAN for poor farmers in small scale water sector. Mr. M.P. Vasimalai, Executive Director in his key note address reiterated the necessity of enforcing strong conservation laws and rolling out of a massive Tankfed Agricultural Mission. Earlier, Mr. A. Gurunathan, Chief Executive Officer welcomed the gathering. Many experts from the field of water resource conservation and DHAN’s professionals presented technical papers on the subject. Mr. N. Venkatesan, Chief Operating Officer proposed the vote of thanks.