

[The Forth NARBO training course in Sri Lanka]

The Forth NARBO training course was held in Sri Lanka from November 6 to November 10 for about 5 days with great cooperation with the Mahaweli Authority of Sri Lanka. The training course was participated by 18 persons from six Asian countries- Bangladesh(2), Indonesia(2), Pakistan(1), Philippines(1), Vietnam(5), Sri Lanka(4) and Two JWA and one from ADB. The theme of this training was "Water for all - Lessons Learnt and Meeting Future Challenges" which was very timely theme and relevant to all the South East Asia and South Asian countries.

1st day was devoted for giving some clear understanding about Past-Present & Future of Hydraulic Civilization of Sri Lanka and Current Water Management in Sri Lanka-Overview, by presentations made by two eminent resource persons from Sri Lanka. Then country paper presentation was made by each organization participated. 2nd and 3rd day were devoted for Fields Program which was planned to visit Victoria-Randenigala- Rantembe complex and meet Farmers Organization to have very close interaction to understand the grass-roots level situation of Water Management. 4th and 5th day programs were very attractive for them to actively participate for the sessions and finally concluding ceremony.

This training was definitely a good opportunity for the participants to learn from Sri Lankan experiences with water-related sector issues. (The course fee was US\$200 per person.)



Visiting Farmers Organization (3rd day)



Group Presentation (5th day)