



## EYE ON ASIA: “Water – the *Domestic Goddess*”

**Round Table Discussions: Challenges in domestic water supply and sanitation** – Facilitated by Ms. Neeta Pokhrel, Senior Urban Development Specialist, ADB. Break up audience in to groups with specified topics

### 11:25 Rural Water Supply and Sanitation in South East Asia

Anupma Jain, ADB

**Anupma Jain** is a senior social sector specialist in ADB’s Southeast Asia Department. She leads design and implementation project teams related to infrastructure and policy development in water supply, sanitation and urban development. She has worked extensively on gender and health issues, and strives to include innovative strategies to enhance gender equity, promote women’s health, and support women’s empowerment in the sector. Anupma has worked in Asia for more than 10 years and holds a PhD in social policy from the London School of Economics and Political Science.



### 11:30 Investing in Clean Water and Sanitation

Jenny Fredby, WaterAid

Jenny Fredby is WaterAid Sweden’s Head of Policy and Programmes. Jenny has worked on international development policy issues for the last 10 years and her posts have included working for the Nordic Africa Institute researching on urban informal economic development, she has also worked for Sida and for the Centre for Environment and Development Studies in Sweden. Before joining WaterAid, Jenny was doing research on sector reform and public-private partnerships in urban water service provision in Uganda.





**11:35 Springs, Storage Towers and Water Conservation: Exploring Decentralized Management Science for the Middle Hills of Nepal**

Dipak Gyawali, ICIMOD

Dipak Gyawali is currently 'Pragya' (Academician) of the Nepal Academy of Science and Technology and Chair of the non-profit Nepal Water Conservation Foundation. As a cultural theorist upholding the idea of institutional pluralism requiring all three styles of organizing, he conducts interdisciplinary research on the interface between technology and society.

A Moscow-trained hydroelectric power engineer and a Berkeley-trained political economist, he has initiated reforms in the electricity and irrigation sectors during his time as Nepal's Minister of Water Resources in 2002/2003. He has published extensively at national and international levels and serves/has served on many international advisory panels, including UNESCO's World Water Assessment Program, IDS Sussex's STEPs Center, Mekong's MPower, Pacific Northwest National Lab, and Coca Cola.



**11:40 Innovations in Fecal Sludge Management at Household / Community Level Change**

Prof. Dinesh Mehta, CEPT University, India

Prof. Dinesh Mehta is a Professor Emeritus at CEPT University, Ahmedabad where he teaches urban management, housing and development planning. He has been associated with CEPT since 1977, when he joined CEPT as Assistant Professor. He has worked with United Nations, at UNQHABITAT, Nairobi as head of the Urban Management Programme. Dr. Mehta has a Ph.D. from University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, USA, a Masters in City and Regional Planning from Harvard University, Cambridge, USA, and a Bachelor of Technology in Civil Engineering, IIT, Madras, India.

