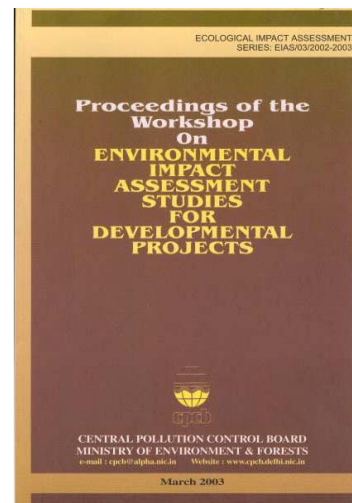


Proceedings of the Workshop on Environmental Impact Assessment Studies for Developmental Projects

Foreword

Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) is an important decision making tool in respect of various developmental projects. Notwithstanding long years of experience, the methodologies for objective assessment of environmental implications for different categories of projects are not yet accessible to the project proponent and regulatory bodies. In order to provide a forum for exchange of expert inputs in methodologies for EIA evaluation and prediction, a Workshop was organised during 4th and 5th April 2002.

The primary objective of the Workshop was to provide guidance on EIA process, correct methods of baseline data generation and impact prediction techniques. The faculty for this Workshop comprises renowned EIA experts of the country, who deliberated on all the multidisciplinary aspects of EIA process.



I would like to place on record our sincere appreciation for the efforts made by Environment Monitoring Training & Research Centre (EMTRC), Delhi for organising this Workshop and compilation of topics contained in this document. I hope, the deliberations are useful in formulating the methodologies for EIA evaluation and prediction, which could help in producing the much-needed EIA guidelines.

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