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The Chief Engineer  
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Sir,

Sub: National Centre for Land Governance at IMG- Consultation Workshop during 30-31 May, 2013 – Invitation to the workshop and nominating officers - Reg.

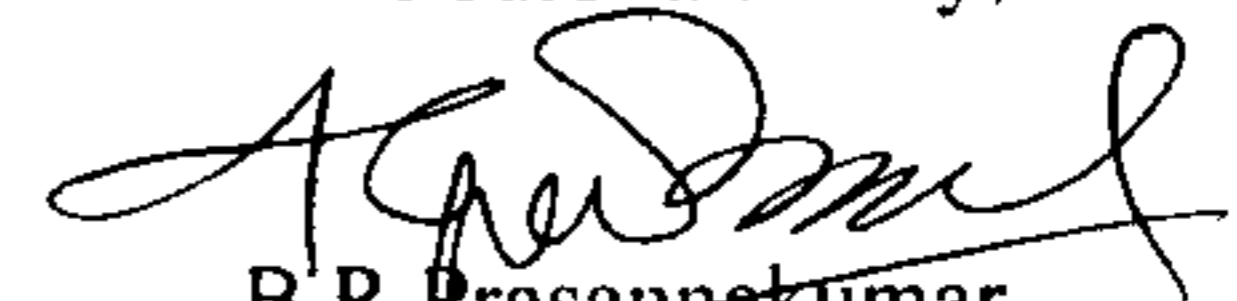
National Centre for Land Governance (NCLG) at Institute of Management in Government, Thiruvananthapuram is organizing a two-day National Level Consultation Workshop on Land Governance to sensitize some of the emerging issues on land related matters impinging upon the development agenda of the central as well as the State governments. Eminent practitioners and officers cutting across various departments involved in land management with knowledge on ground realities will be participating in the National Level Workshop. The NCLG will make the workshop a great experience of all levels of participants.

The workshop will be held on 30 & 31 May, 2013 from 9.30 am to 5.00 pm at the Institute of Management in Government (IMG), Vikas Bhavan, Thiruvananthapuram.


We invite you to the workshop and also request you to nominate a senior level officer from your office entrusted with the land related matters to attend and contribute to the multiple themes of the workshop. We are also arranging as part of the workshop, a session for making presentation of papers by researchers, scholars, officers etc. on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of the workshop. The themes of the workshop and papers to be presented in the workshop are separately attached. Confirmation of your participation and nomination of officers may be sent to Shri. BR Prasanna Kumar, Workshop Co-ordinator on or before 18<sup>th</sup> May, 2013 on his e mail ID [brpkumartvm@gmail.com](mailto:brpkumartvm@gmail.com) (Contact No. 9447583106)

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

  
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**NATIONAL CENTRE FOR LAND GOVERNANCE**  
**NATIONAL LEVEL WORKSHOP ON 'LAND GOVERNANCE'**

**30-31 May, 2013**

**THEMES OF THE WORKSHOP**

**Theme I: GOVERNANCE OF PUBLIC LANDS (Day 1)**

**I. Government land for the poor and the landless**

Landlessness has been a topic of great concern especially, in a land-dearth state like Kerala. If Government lands are rationally used, then it would be effortlessly possible to redress this issue. The topic shall cover the aspects including various land assignment Rules and the land assignment practices/policies across the country.

**II. Protection of public lands and its rational use**

The concept of conserving public lands for the future generations is one of the most important aspects of the "Doctrine of public trust". The public lands are to be protected, conserved and rationally used for the benefit of the public at large. The topic shall cover the aspects like protection of public lands including the water bodies, managing government lands for optimum use and enhanced revenue generation for the State etc.

**III. Government lands as an asset for the Government and its Inventorisation**

Spatial and textual updation and creation of a non-tamperable data base of Government lands will aid the Government in sustainable conservation of the database for the future use. To ensure this, the modern survey methods are to be synchronized with contemporary surveying methodologies based on local conditions. The topic shall cover digitization of the legacy textual and spatial data, creation of real time digitized data during satellite based survey, modern trends of survey & land record creations and the concept of land bank.

**Theme II: GOVERNANCE OF PRIVATE LANDS (Day 2)**

**I. "Doctrine of Eminent domain" and the scope of the concept of "free hold"**

Since the formation of the Union of India from the erstwhile states governed by British laws, Shariyath laws, Santhal laws, Zamindari laws etc, the concept of "free hold" has acquired different interpretations and applicability over the years. Even after 60 years of independence, the concept of free hold has not been streamlined which creates issues during land acquisition, land use planning etc. The topics shall cover the different views of the above mentioned aspects.

**II. Ensuring perfect titles through better governance of private lands:**

Perfect titles on lands ensure better credit flow and avert litigations forever. The Land titling Bill, 2006 and the related legislations on "Land" warrants further legal amendments towards simplification of procedures on land transfers and mutations. This topic shall cover the imitable techniques, procedures and methodologies towards textual and spatial data generation of private lands, the proven models for the integration of Revenue/Survey/Registration data bases etc.

## **SUB THEMES**

**The following are the sub themes identified for discussion in the workshop.**

### **I. Governance of Public Land (Day 1)**

- Land Assignment
- River bank Protection
- How to Protect Water Bodies
- Public Lands and their protection - Land bank
- Methods to Inventorise Public Land
- Management of Lease Policy
- Land Conservancy and Utilization
- Land Reforms

### **II. Governance of Private Land (Day 2)**

- Social aspects of Land Ownership
- How to protect wet lands
- Geo-reference Survey & Implication in Land Titling
- Land Acquisition
- Transfer of Property
- Land Use Planning
- Land Records Survey & Land Titling

## **CALL FOR PAPERS**

Papers are invited from the Researchers, Scholars, NGOs, students and Social Activists on the following topics for presentation on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of the workshop (31<sup>st</sup> May, 2013).

I Innovative initiatives in the Governance of land: This should cover the best practices available in the country and elsewhere in the world towards governing the land in the most people friendly and transparent manner.

II Innovative ideas for the better governance of land in the digital arena: This should cover the creative ideas for governing the lands. The ideas need not be a proven one and it can be a nascent one too.

Those who are interested to present papers on the above topics may send "Abstract" of the papers [minimum 200 words] on or before 22<sup>nd</sup> May, 2013 to the workshop coordinator on his mail id (brpkumartvm@gmail.com/facultyimg.brpkumar@gmail.com). The selected ones after the initial screening would be given a chance to present before the elite audience.

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