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Workshop on Environmental Law and Policy in Afghanistan

Kabul, Afghanistan: From 27 – 28 February 2007, the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) in cooperation with the Ningarhar regional office of the Afghan Conservation Corps (ACC) conducted a 2 day workshop on “Environmental Law and Policy in Afghanistan” in the City of Jalalabad.

During the workshop an overview of Afghanistan’s legal system as well as an overview of global and domestic environmental problems was given and the manner in which environmental law evolved to address those problems was explained. Explanation of and discussion on Afghanistan’s Environment Law, 1384, and some of its relevant regulations, were integral parts of the workshop.

Sixty participants - officials from governmental institutions together with representatives of international organizations, civil society and the private sector – attended the workshop. Representatives from the National Environmental Protection Agency and the Forest Department of the Ministry of Agriculture also came from the provinces of Nuristan, Kunar and Laghman.

This workshop was part of the provincial outreach activities UNEP is undertaking with regard to the Environment Law. Similar workshops have been held in Herat and Kunduz and further workshops are planned for Mazar, Badakhshan, Paktia, Faryab and Kandahar.

The United Nations Environment programme (UNEP) is currently implementing a capacity building and institutional development programme for environmental management in Afghanistan funded by the EC and the Government of Finland.

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