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Workshop on Environmental Law, Policy and Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) in Afghanistan
3-5 December 2007 - Faizabad

The United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the National Environmental Protection Agency (NEPA) will be conducting a 3 day workshop on "Environmental Law, Policy and Environmental Impact Assessment in Afghanistan" in the City of Faizabad, Capital of Badakhshan Province from 3-5 December, 2007.

During the workshop a short presentation will be delivered about Afghanistan's post-conflict environmental status. An overview of Afghanistan's legal system as well as general knowledge on global and domestic environmental problems and the manner in which environmental law has evolved to address those problems will constitute the main topics. Explanation of and discussion on Afghanistan's Environment Law, 1385, and some of its relevant regulations, as well as an introduction on Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) will be integral parts of the workshop.

Around 85 participants including, officials from governmental institutions together with representatives of international organizations, civil society and the private sector have been invited to attend the workshop. Representatives from the Forest and Irrigation Departments of the Ministry of Agriculture shall also attend from Kishem District of the same province. The governor of Badakhsan has been invited to open the session.

Similar workshops have been held in Herat, Kunduz, Ningrahar, Balkh, Bamyan while the last workshop during the current year is planned to be held in Kabul likely to cover the adjacent provinces of Parwan, Kapisa, Wardak, Ghazni and Logar.

The United Nations Environment Programme 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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