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Young Water Professional Programme

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Why is in news? Dept of Water Resources organises concluding event of Young Water Professional Programme

Department of Water Resources organised the concluding event of Young Water Professional Programme in **collaboration with Western Sydney University, Australia and Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati** in New Delhi on Wednesday.

This program has been taken up **under the National Hydrology Project**. It will be implemented by Australia India Water Centre (a consortium of Australian and Indian universities).

It is focused on **Engaged Training and Learning Model**.

It also **focuses on gender equality and diversity**, because sustainable water management can only benefit from the views and skills of all members of society.

It is outcome-driven and the participants will be having certain tools and techniques by the time they are finished with the Programme.

It aims to **provide a structured platform for capacity building with strategic and long-term investment** to support the water management reforms in India.

To **equip water professionals** with the necessary skills, knowledge, behaviours and networks that will better enable them to contribute to the development and management of water resources in India, and to address the competency needs and priorities of the water sector in India.

It will help in breaking the silos of surface water Vs groundwater and participants will learn to take a comprehensive view of water resources management.

Other Related Initiatives: Jal Kranti Abhiyan, National Water Mission, National Rural Drinking Water Programme, NITI Aayog's Composite Water Management Index, Jal Jeevan Mission, Jal Shakti Abhiyan, Atal Bhujal Yojana, etc.

National Hydrology Project:

It was started in 2016 as a **Central Sector Scheme** by the Ministry of Jal Shakti and is **supported by the World Bank**.

To improve the extent, reliability and accessibility of water resources information.

To strengthen the capacity of targeted water resource management institutions in India.

To facilitate acquisition of reliable information efficiently which would pave the way for an effective water resource development and management.

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