

# INDIRA GANDHI NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY

REGIONAL CENTRE, BHOPAL

## Report of One Day Workshop organized on “Water Crisis : Challenges and Solutions”

Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU), Bhopal in collaboration with Srishti Jal Chetna Samiti and Bharatiya Dharohar, New Delhi organized one day workshop on “**Jal Sankat-Chunautiyan evam Samadhaan**” on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2019. **Shri K G Vyas** retired Hydrologist and Advisor, Rural Development Department, Government of Madhya was the Chief guest. The event was presided over by **Dr. Amit Chaturvedi**, Regional Director, IGNOU Bhopal.

Welcoming the guests in the workshop, **Dr. Chaturvedi** gave a brief account of the issues and challenges in the face of the impending water crisis in the country in general and Madhya Pradesh in particular. **Dr. Kripa Shankar Tiwari**, Director, Bhartiya Dharohar, New Delhi discussed about water scarcity and related issues in inhabited areas



**Shri Krishna Gopal Vyas** retired Hydrologist and Advisor, Rural Development Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh spoke about rejuvenation of rivers with special reference to Narmada river.

**Dr. Vinod Parashar**, Associate Professor of Geology, MVM College Bhopal gave an account of traditional artificial recharge and rain water harvesting techniques. **Dr. Deepak Raj Tiwari**, Associate Professor in Geology Department, MVM College Bhopal spoke about water problems and its remedies. He presented an overview of the water crisis in the country with particular reference to Madhya Pradesh.



**Shri C.P. Srivastava**, former Regional Director, Central Ground Water Board, Government of India discussed about gross ineffectiveness of various rules under different Acts governing abstraction, regulation and management of ground water in the state which is mainly responsible for the present water crisis. He informed the gathering that a village in Raisen district has already been adopted by **Srishti Jal Chetna Samiti** for carrying out cost-effective model work for artificial recharge and rain water harvesting.

The workshop ended with vote of thanks by **Mr Chandra Prakash Mursenia**, Section Officer IGNOU, Bhopal and **Dr. Subash Ranjan Nayak**, Assistant Regional Director, IGNOU Bhopal has prepared the comprehensive report and proceedings of One day workshop as Rapporteur.

(Regional Director)