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	Date	Programme
1.	4 th June 2011 10:30 am -1:30 pm	What We Must Do to Save the Ganga: Some Reflections Speakers: Smt Rama Rauta, Convenor, Save Ganga Movement; Member, Expert Committee, National Ganga River Basin Authority, Govt. of India; and President, National Women's Organisation, Pune; and Shri K.C. Sivaramakrishnan, Chairman, Centre for Policy Research and former Secretary, Government of India and Senior Advisor, The World Bank Chair: Shri Ramaswamy R. Iyer, Honorary Research Professor, Centre for Policy Research, and author of several books and articles on water
2.	11 th July 2011 10:30 am -1:30 pm	Living Rivers, Dying Rivers: Yamuna Presentations by: Shri Manoj Misra former member of the Indian Forest, currently with the Peace Institute at Delhi and Convener of the Yamuna Jiye Abhiyaan; and Prof Brij Gopal, former professor of Environmental Sciences, JNU and former Secretary General, National Institute of Ecology and Environmental Sciences Chair: Shri Ramaswamy R. Iyer
3.	23 rd August 2011 6 pm	Kosi/Bagmati River Lead presentation by Dinesh Kumar Mishra, based at Jamshedpur, he has been working on the flood issue in the Ganga–Brahmaputra Basins since 1984, and has written many books on the rivers of North Bihar. He has published over 60 articles in various journals, and is currently writing a book on the River Bagmati of Nepal/Bihar Chair: Shri Ramaswamy R. Iyer
4.	23 rd September 2011 10:30 am -1:30 pm	Rivers in the North-East Presentations by Dr. Chandan Mahanta, Professor, IIT Guwahati; Shri Sanjoy Hazarika, Director and Saifuddin Kitchlew Chair at Centre for North East Studies, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi, Managing Trustee at Centre for North East Studies and Policy Research, former Reporter, South Asia Bureau at New York Times Regional Media Group, independent writing and editing professional.
5.	18 th November 2011 at 6 pm	Bagmati River Presentations by Dipak Gyawali and Ajaya Dixit

6.	25 th November 2011 10:30 am -1:30 pm	<p>Maharashtra and Western Ghats Presentations by Parineeta Dandekar, working on undammed river Shastri, which flows through Western Ghats, comparing its status with Vashishthi River which flows parallel to Shastri, but is severely polluted and modified. The presentation will try to assess the benefits enjoyed by the community from a healthy river, as against a damaged river. This will be followed by a brief look at rivers in Maharashtra and the issues they face</p> <p>Pandurang Hegde, Has been activist of Chipko-Appiko Movement working on the Rivers of Western Ghats since last twenty years. Has organised River walks along Kali and Sharavati, to create awareness. Instrumental in launching of Kali Bachao Andolan, to save the Kali river from pollution form Paper Factory and Dam building. Extensive work on conservation of River Catchments in Western Ghats. Involved in saving Bedthi-Aghanashini rivers form dam building.</p>
7	7 th December 2011 10:30 am -1:30 pm	<p>Kerala and Tamil Nadu Rivers Presentations by Dr. A. Latha, River Research Centre, Kerala, will speak about Kerala rivers. She has a doctorate in Agriculture from the Kerala Agricultural University. Her area of interest includes restoring E – flows in rivers, decentralised community led river basin management and restoration and watershed management. She is associated with the Chalakudy Puzha Samrakshana Samiti. She represents South Asia in the International Steering Committee of the International Rivers based at Berkeley, USA. She has co authored the book ‘Tragedy of Commons’ the Kerala Experience in River Linking</p> <p>Dr. S. Janakarajan, Professor, Madras Institute of Development Studies, convener of Multi-Stakeholder Dialogue for the Palar basin, initiator of the ‘Cauvery Family’</p>
8.	28th January 2012 6 pm	<p>Rivers in Karnataka Presentations by Leo Saldanha, prominent environmental activist, Bangalore. Says: “Vrishabhavathi is now known as Vishabhavathi and is tragically an excellent representation of a dead river. Another river that comes to mind in Karnataka is Kali, which is perhaps the most dammed in the country</p>
9.	24 th February 2012 6 pm	<p>Rivers in Gujarat Presentations by Himanshu Thakkar will speak on Gujarat rivers. He is an engineer from Indian Institute of Technology Mumbai, is currently coordinator of the South Asia Network on Dams, Rivers & People, and editor of <i>Dams, Rivers & People</i>. In the past he has been associated with the Narmada Bachao Andolan, Centre for Science and Environment, and the World Commission on Dams</p>

10.	23 rd March 2012 6 pm	Rivers of Andhra Pradesh Presentation by Umamaheshwari