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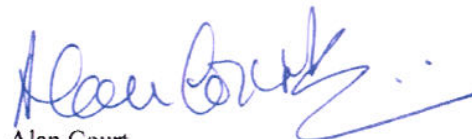
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In response to requests from many country offices, we are pleased to announce that UNICEF India Country office with the Programme Division in UNICEF NYHQ will host an international study tour to learn from the experiences in water and sanitation projects in India. Water & sanitation programmes have been considerably scaled up in India, with UNICEF playing a strategic role. The Government of India is implementing one of the largest water supply and sanitation programmes in the developing countries with annual resource allocation of more than US \$ 1.3 billion. India offers many learning opportunities in water & sanitation sector, covering a range of issues.

In consultation with the nodal Department in Government of India, we would like to offer a number of learning packages for visiting delegations. These are meant for senior and middle management level functionaries working in Government, UNICEF, NGOs and other development agencies. These packages are:

- (1) Arsenic Programming: Challenges and Opportunities
- (2) Making a Difference: Schools as partners in Sanitation & Hygiene
- (3) Accelerating Rural Sanitation – Systems and Institutions and
- (4) Wise Water Management

Each package includes visits to two or more states and will have an additional sub-theme (for details please refer brochure)

The first set of study tours is being organized during **12 to 24 November, 2006 and it is targeted primarily for the seven countries listed in this memo.** These countries are the countries who have asked us to host their offices and counterparts last year. Depending upon availability of seats, candidates from other countries may also be accommodated; otherwise fresh study tours will be organized for them next year as the intention is to make this an annual offering. A brochure giving details of the learning packages is attached. The same brochure can be found on the Website of UNICEF, New York. In addition to the international travel cost, approximately US\$ 3500 per participant will be required to be spent by the sponsoring organization towards domestic travel, DSA and course fee to be paid to the partner institutions.

We request all of you to now confirm your candidates for these learning courses. It would be desirable to keep the number of participants from each country limited to 5-6 participants only. The nominations may be sent to the focal point as indicated in the brochure **by 15th September** so that necessary logistic arrangements including visa and other clearances can be arranged in time.

Best Regards.

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