

## **Criteria for identification of new wetlands from various States under National Wetland Conservation Programme**

State Governments may provide preliminary information on the following aspects :

- Name of Wetland
- Nearest village/town
- Topography
- Ecological features
- Geographical features including area, depth, catchment, etc.
- Threats to wetlands
- Ecological interventions sought
- Whether transboundary in nature or falling in only one State.
- Land ownership (whether Government or private)
- Map on the basis of ground truthing and if possible, remote sensing

After getting information from the State, the experts would pay a visit to assess the problems of this lake and on the basis of their report, the proposal will be put up before the 'Expert Group on Wetlands' and 'National Committee on Wetlands' for its inclusion under the National Wetland Conservation Programme.

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