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RSG project is now progressing on all levels which include local grassroots, district, state and national level. I am also planning to extend this work on other river basins also.

- 18th to 20th May 2010. Government of Rajasthan, Rajasthan University and Tarun Bharat Sangh arranged 3-day workshop to evolve methodology of the water auditing for India. As a resource person they have invited me to deliver a presentation on village level water auditing and role of MNREGA in the conservation of riverine resources. MNREGA based conservation of wetland resources has been included in the water budgeting.
- 21 and 22nd May 2010. Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS) and *PRAYAS*, an NGO, organized 2-day brainstorming workshop on MREGS at TISS campus at TULJAPUR, Maharashtra. I have delivered presentation on RSG project generated experience on village planning.
- 3rd May 2010. State Agriculture department and VIKALP, an NGO, arranged 1-day workshop on sustainable agriculture. I have delivered presentation on environment friendly agriculture.
- 4th May 2010. Local governance arranged 1-day capacity building workshop for the government officers at Mangrulpir. I have conducted the same.
- 5th May 2010. New office of the RSG project has been inaugurated by local MLA Mr. Prakash Dahake.
- 6th May 2010. One-day field work with NREGA labour in the UMA river basin has been carried out. Through capacity building done by our organization about ecorestoration work in the UMA river basin local labour earn about £6000 as wages.
- 6th May 2010. I have been appointed as social and technical expert on the district level steering comity on the central government's development schemes.

Massive eco-restoration and drought proofing work is going on in the Adan river basin.



Left: Capacity building workshop of government officers about MNREGA. Middle: Field Work in the UMA river basin with local labour. Right: Local MLA Mr Prakash Dahake inaugurating new RSG project office.