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## Regional Seminar on Wetlands, Recreation and Ecotourism

**KHAJURAHO (M.P.), India: 21-23 March 2012**



17 February 2012

### **SEMINAR HAS BEEN CANCELLED. WHY??**

Dear Colleagues:

We, the organisers of the Regional Seminar on Wetlands, Recreation and Ecotourism, met in New Delhi on 16 February 2012 to review the latest status of the contributions and the proposed programme. To our great dismay, the response to our intensive efforts to publicise the meeting and contact the potential contributors through our partner network, emails, poster and letters, has been very disappointing. Formal invitations and personal calls to over 100 people also did not elicit any response except that a handful agreed to participate and another couple of them conveyed their inability. We have received very few Abstracts some of which are only marginally relevant to the central theme of the Seminar.

**Under the circumstances, we are constrained to take the very unpleasant decision to CANCEL the Seminar,** despite the problems we face in cancelling the arrangements in Khajuraho.

We thank the individuals and organisations who agreed to contribute and join us, for their support. We deeply regret the inconvenience that it may cause to all those who agreed to participate and sent in their registration forms and abstracts. All abstracts received by us will be placed on the webpage in the hope to convert the Seminar into a Webinar. We will continue our efforts to highlight the cultural services and their importance to conservation of wetlands in the region by bringing out a publication on the subject by end of June 2012.

Organisers of the Seminar  
NIE and WWF