

Seminar on Challenges of Water Shortage and its Solutions

22nd Feb 2009

- Speaker for this event was Sri. Sundar Lal Bahuguna, noted environmentalist and activist, famous for his work with the Chipko Andolan and a follower of Gandhi's philosophy of non-violence and satyagraha. He has received the Padma Vibhushan, India's second highest civilian honor
- Water is a fundamental requirement for all life. Water exploitation for profit has led to severe shortages in many places.
- He denounced the exploitation of groundwater by Coca-Cola in Mehdiganj and called for action by the govt.

Sri Sunderlal Bahuguna
speaking about water issues



Many different groups and
representatives were present
for the seminar



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- Trees are directly tied to water, and an effort needs to be made to plant more and more trees
- Sri Bahuguna asked the assembled sarpanches to use the NREGA scheme to plant more trees and construct more ponds



BDO, Sarpanch and Sri Bahuguna planting a tree
at the block level office