

### **Appointment of South Asian Seas Co-ordinator**

In the 102<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Consultative Committee of SACEP it was decided to follow the existing procedure to reappointing the SASP - Co-ordinator. SACEP published the Advertisement in the Regional News Papers in the five member countries of South Asian Seas Programme in August 2007 for the Post of the South Asian Seas Co-ordinator.

SACEP has received 134 applications and the summary of the applications received country wise is given below.

1. India	115
2. Sri Lanka	13
3. Pakistan	1
Duplicate	<u>5</u>

**Total Number of Applications 134**

It was decided to appoint an External Screening Committee comprising of International Agencies engaged in the field of Marine and Natural Resource Management, based in Colombo. The applications were screened by a committee comprising of the Director General of SACEP and representatives from the World Conservation Union (IUCN) and the International Water Management Institute (IWMI) who shortlisted the candidates.

The Interview Panel will consist of nominated members from the five member countries with Director General, SACEP as Chairman. SACEP has requested the SASP Member States to nominate the Member for the Interview Panel.

The Interview Panel will select the candidate on Merit. After clearance of the selected candidate from the concerned country, the job will be offered to him /her.

The Secretariat requests the member countries to expedite the nomination of the members of the Interview Panel.