



**CENTRE FOR CULTURAL RESOURCES AND TRAINING  
NEW DELHI**

**BRIEF NOTE**

**WORKSHOP ON “Role of Schools in Conservation of the Natural and Cultural Heritage”**

The Centre for Cultural Resources and Training, New Delhi organizes workshops on “Role of Schools in Conservation of the Natural and Cultural Heritage” to enable teachers from different regions to share knowledge of their culture with others and create a sense of appreciation for the diversity and richness of India's Cultural Heritage.

The Workshop concentrates on studying the role of schools in conservation of our natural and cultural heritage and involve students and teachers in such activities that may help them to serve the country. During the workshop the participants will also develop a practical plan of action that may inspire students to appreciate their natural and cultural heritage and feel as responsible citizens of India, to protect the environment.

The accelerated pace of development in our country has brought forth changes both in the physical environment and cultural patterns on an unprecedented scale. With the result, the familiar surroundings and the related cultural identities are being lost. It must be realized that what is lost today, due to ignorance, lack of awareness or concern or thoughtless planning can not be recovered, be it a plant species or an historical monument.

The teachers are invited in these workshops to take up the task of sensitizing school students to their role as future guardians of the rich natural and cultural resources of our country.

The workshop is approximately of 09 working days duration.

Objectives :

- to study the role of schools in conservation of natural and cultural heritage,
- to study simple techniques by which students can be involved in looking after historical monuments and other natural and cultural property of their region,
- to develop a practical plan of action that may inspire students to appreciate the natural and cultural heritage of India and to be responsible citizens,
- to provide an opportunity to teachers from various parts of the country to stay together and interact with each other and with local students, fostering a spirit of national integration,
- to provide basic knowledge on Laws of Conservation.

The workshop consists of lectures, slide presentations, conservation activities, study of monuments and museums, group discussions, etc. There are sessions on preparation of educational aids and games, work-sheets and activity-sheets for protecting local natural and cultural heritage. Attempts will be made for inclusion of sessions on Impact of Globalisation, Media’s Role in Conservation, Teachers as Mentors, etc.

For ‘hands-on’ experience, experts from Archaeological Survey of India, Indian National Trust for Art & Cultural Heritage, National Museum Institute, Indira Gandhi National Centre for Arts, National Mission for Manuscripts will be invited. Documentation of some excavation work will be done for teachers to get practical experience in the field.

CCRT Cultural Educational Kit is gifted to the school through participating teacher after successful completion of the said Workshop.