



## Session VI

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#### Session Chair



**Mr. Hardik Shah**

*Member Secretary, Gujarat Pollution Control Board*

Mr Hardik Shah has an outstanding academic record, having topped in Gujarat University both at the under graduation and post graduation courses in Environmental Engineering and Management. He secured Second Rank in the University when he completed his degree in Law. He has also successfully completed Post Graduate level certificate course on “Integrating the EIA with social and economic appraisal” from the Manchester University, U.K. in 1999.

Mr Shah is Member Secretary, Gujarat Pollution Control Board since June 2010 and has about 18 years of rich experience in the field of Environmental Management, Policy Planning and implementation. He has been instrumental in implementation of various environmental laws and the programs and plans in Gujarat State.

Since June 2007 he is also working as Secretary of State Level Expert Appraisal Committee for implementation of Environment Impact Assessment Notification, 2006 and is involved in various aspects of Environment Impact Assessment including screening, scoping and appraisal processes. He has sound footings in the field of Environmental Management including Environmental Legislations, Environmental Impact Assessment, Coastal Zone Management and Pollution Prevention aspects.

He is a recipient of various gold medals and certificates for meritorious achievements during his academic and professional career. He is a recipient of “Best Engineer working in the field of Pollution Control in India” award by the Indian Association for Air Pollution Control, New Delhi. He is also Harward Fellow in the prestigious Harward Kennedy School, USA.

He is also a member/convener of various Committees at State and National level for various aspects of environmental management. His strategic inputs and contribution in various policies and programmes have been recognized at various fora. Mr Shah has taken keen interest in implementation of e-Governance in Environmental Governance for bringing transparency and efficiency in the environmental at State and National level.

He is also associated with various academic institutes for teaching and advising the students at under graduate and post graduate level as visiting faculty.