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NGO run by TN officials bags UN honour for water conservation

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Chennai: An NGO run by government officials came second in the race for a United Nations award for water conservation. The Centre of Excellence for Change (CEC), comprising a group of present and former officials from Tamil Nadu's water utilities like PWD and TWAD, and other related departments like agriculture and rural development, secured second rank on list of organizations considered for the UN Water for Life Award 2013.

The NGO's programme, 'Democratisation of Water Management, involves community-level collaboration to manage water consumption as well as conservation. The group drew separate water management plans for each village, based on their available resources and their current consumption and actual need.