OFFICE ORDER

With the approval of the Competent Authority, it has been decided to constitute a National level “Rapid Action Learning Unit (RALU)” as envisaged in the Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) guidelines, comprising the following members:

i. Shri Robert Chambers, Institute of Development Studies, Sussex, UK
ii. Shri K Srinath Reddy, Public Health Foundation of India (PHFI)
iii. Shri Dean Spears, Executive Director, Research Institute for Compassionate Economics (RICE)
iv. Shri Joe Madiath, Gram Vikas, Odisha

2. Representatives of five States i.e. Chhattisgarh, Assam, Karnataka, Odisha & West Bengal will also be members of National RALU for six months; thereafter another five States will be nominated.

3. National RALU may also invite special invitees, as required for discussion on specific subjects.

4. World Bank/WSP and UNICEF will nominate one member each from their agency as observer in the National RALU meetings. Other international agencies will be represented by rotation every six months.

5. Dr Neeraj Tiwari, Consultant, Capacity Building, National Resource Centre, MoDWS will be the convener of National RALU.
Terms of Reference

6. The Terms of Reference (TOR) for National RALU will be as under:

i. To aid and advise the Ministry based on feedback from the States as well as research and other sources of information;

ii. To monitor, to provide advice on corrective action and advice to upscale good practices towards achieving Swachh Bharat;

iii. To find quick and effective solutions and develop, share and spread those;

iv. To find overall solutions/strategy that helps the States to upscale sanitation programme quickly;

v. To assist in the improvement of existing institutional structures and suggest frameworks for more efficient and effective functioning;

vi. To suggest and share solutions to address ‘difficult areas’ for implementation;

vii. To advise on various suggestions received in the Ministry

viii. To carry out the activities enlisted below, as also other activities that may be required to deliver its role.

ix. To carry out any other activities, as suggested by the Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation, in sync with the role of National RALU.

7. In order to achieve its role, National RALU will perform the following indicative activities:

i. Attending periodic meetings in the Ministry, as and when required, and provide feedback on what is happening in the States. Importantly, providing feedback on any policy change requirement and innovations that can help upscale the Mission;

ii. Analyzing and providing recommendations on taking forward various aspects of Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) guidelines.

iii. Providing recommendations on various other suggestions/ initiatives, as desired by the Ministry.

8. The tenure of members of RALU will be initially for one year from the date of issuance of this order. Nominees of the States and observers of International Agencies will be rotated every six month.

9. The non-official members/ special invitees will be entitled to travel by Air India(Economy class-minimum fair) to and fro journey and D.A. as per rules for
attending the meetings of the National RALU. The expenditure visit/DA of State nominees will be borne by the respective State Governments.

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   Sussex, UK

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v. Principal Secretary / Secretary in charge Rural
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vi. World Bank/WSP, UNICEF

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