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Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) Division

12th Floor, Paryavaran Bhawan, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi – 110003 Dated 14th December, 2015

To,

The Principal Secretary / Secretary in-charge Rural Sanitation, All States / UTs

Subject: Regarding 'Elimination of Manual Scavenging'.

Sir/Madam,

The progress of 'Elimination of Manual Scavenging' is reviewed at the highest levels. During a recent review, it has been reiterated that the conversion of insanitary/dry latrines into sanitary latrines needs to be taken up on priority.

- 2. In this regard it is mentioned that incentive for the targeted beneficiaries is already available under SBM (G) while converting 'insanitary latrines' to 'sanitary latrines'. In respect of beneficiaries not entitled for incentive under SBM (G), the States may consider suggesting the PRIs to use 14th Finance Commission funds for this purpose.
- 3. This may be brought to the notice of the concerned authorities in the districts responsible for implementation of SBM (G) programme and the authority concerned responsible for implementation of 'Prohibition of Employment as Manual Scavengers and their Rehabilitation Act, 2013'.

Yours faithfully

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(Christina Kujur)

Under Secretary (Swachh Bharat Mission-Gramin)

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