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Sir/Madam,

As we are completing 2 years of Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM) implementation and further to boost up the programme, Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation along with the active support of Ministry of Urban Development is organizing a one-day conference – INDOSAN.

2. INDOSAN is envisaged as an annual national event to bring together all stakeholders working in sanitation – government, NGOs, academicians, researchers, partner agencies, and corporates on one platform for a shared vision. The idea has emerged from the South Asian Conference on Sanitation (SACOSAN), which is a government-led biennial convention held on a rotational basis in each SAARC country for interventions in the sanitation sector in the SAARC region and provide a platform for interaction on sanitation.

3. The broad objectives of the conference are inter alia the following:

- Creating awareness and sensitization for mainstreaming sanitation across sectors, central ministries/departments, State governments, Panchayati Raj Institutions, research and educational institutions, Corporates and private sector agencies, social organisations and Media, so that sanitation interventions are prioritized in their respective programs.
- Review of the current situation of sanitation nationally and across states. Sharing of success stories and failures from experiences.
- Agreeing upon a Roadmap on Sanitation highlighting the set of actions, interventions and milestones towards achieving the national goals of elimination of open defecation and initiation of SLWM activities in every GP/town of the country by 2.10.2019
- In addition to household sanitation, focusing on the interventions of WASH on Schools, in Health centres and public places, in line with the goals under the Swachh Bharat Abiyan and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

4. Honourable Prime Minister has kindly consented to inaugurate this conference on 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2016 and the venue will be Vigyan Bhavan, New Delhi. We are expecting participation of Chief Ministers, Ministers (in-charge), Pr. Secretaries (in-charge SBM G) and collectors/CEOs, Zilla Pramukhs and also select panchayat representatives in this conference and request you to block days for this event.

5. Further, an exhibition will be simultaneously organized in the event and for that, the States are requested to send us

- i) Concept/ Theme on which you would be exhibiting materials,
- ii) one page brief / 250 words summary on the best practice you would like to show case
- iii) 5-10 High Resolution photos of success stories(the photographs by professional photographers are preferable) and also short videos and brochures from the States, on successful implementation of SBM. Videos on Technology options can also be send,
- iv) IEC material for showcasing, i.e., pamphlets, information brochure, etc.
- v) Material for Exhibition – Models, posters, standees on various themes.

6. All the States are also requested to send papers for oral presentation for the thematic sessions, the details of which are available in [indosan.gov.in](http://indosan.gov.in). All the details have to reach us on or before 9<sup>th</sup> September. For further details, either undersigned or Ms Sandhya Singh, Director (Stats), Tel 24364112, E-mail [sandhya.singh@nic.in](mailto:sandhya.singh@nic.in), could be contacted.

Warm regard

Your's Sincerely



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To,

Principal Secretary/Secretary In-charge of Rural Sanitation All States/UTs