

**Minutes of the Meeting to discuss the NRDWP
Annual Action plan 2015-16 of West Bengal State**

1 An Annual Action Plan meeting with the representatives of West Bengal Government was held in the Conference Hall, 4th Floor, Paryavaran Bhawan, New Delhi on 05.02.2015 under the Chairmanship of Joint Secretary (Water), Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation, Govt of India, New Delhi. The list of participants is given in Annexure.

2 NRDWP

- i. The anticipated allocation to the States for 2015-16 will be same as during the year 2014-15 which will intimated to the State once the communication is received from Finance Ministry.
- ii. **Hence State was advised to prepare their plan two times of the quantum of available funds keeping in view the quantum of funds required for the completion of ongoing schemes**
- iii. JS (Water) reviewed the targets and achievements of the State for the year 2014-15 during the AAP meeting which is as follow. State was advised to prepare their plan after the final allocation of fund.

Description	Target 2014-2015	Achievement up to date	Anticipated Achievement 31/3-2015
PC Habitation	3420	3397	3420
QA Habitation	1200	905	1342
PWS Habitation	All habitation are covered with piped water supply there are no hand pumps	-	-
Household Connections	1,50,000	98332	1,00,000

iv) JS (Water) appreciated that the State has focused on Piped Water Supply an no hand pump has been proposed

3 The gist of the discussion is as follows

- i) Joint Secretary (W) MDWS pointed out that Fluoride and “Arsenic affected habitations should be covered up to 21/3/2015.
- ii) Joint Secretary pointed out that priority is to be given for coverage of habitations 0-25&25-50%first rather than100% covered and quality affected as per guidelines of NRDWP.
- iii) The Joint Secretary (Water) Pointed out that a target of 1, 00,000 be fixed for providing house hold connection during 2015-16. Further he suggested to dovetail funds from SBM for providing household connections

iv State officials informed that against a target of 393 habitations to be covered with solar pumps target achieved is 336 and during 2015-16target fixed is 1500 for which funds are to be released ,so far no funds have been released by MNRE The matter is to be taken up with MNRE for release of funds

v) The Joint Secretary (Water) instructed the state officials to ensure that all schools are provided drinking water and toilets .All anganwadies functioning in government buildings should also be provided adequate drinking water .facility.

Vi) For the year 2015-16 the state has indicated that 195 sustainability structures shall be constructed by providing injection wells/ percolation tanks and seepage dams structures.

vii) The achievement of water quality testing was 313471 against a target of 375000 as such target for 2015-16 was also fixed as 37500. The state informed that 120 labs are already functioning and other 100 are in progress Joint Secretary suggested that mobile testing laboratories be purchased. The state further pointed out that tested sources are being tagged in blue colour which was appreciated by Joint Secretary.

viii) Joint Secretary asked the state to focus on SC/ST habitations .

3 Once the exact allocation is communicated to the state they can prepare the final AAP document and send 3 copies to the Ministry for approval so that funds in the next year can be released

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair

Annexure

List of participants of meeting to discuss Annual Action Plan 2015-16 held on 05/02/2015 in the office of the Joint Secretary (Water) at Paryavaran Bhawan New Delhi

Officials from Department of Drinking Water And Sanitation

S no	Name	Designation
1	Sh Satyabrata Sahu	Joint Secretary
2	Sh Rajesh Kumar	Director Water
3	Sh G R Zargar	Consultant Water
4	Sh A K Srivastava	Under Secretary Water
5	Sh V K Bathla	Assistant Advisor

Participants from Government of West Bengal

S no	Name	Designation
1	Sh Bapa Sarkar	OSD & Ex officio Engineer in Chief
2	Sh Animesh Bhattacharya	Director WSSO PHED