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Government of India
Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation

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CGO Complex, Lodhi Road,
New Delhi – 110003
Dated: 19.04.2017

To

Principal Secretary
Public Health Engineering Department
Government of Bihar
Vishweshwaraiya Bhawan
Patna 800 015

Sub: Minutes of the meeting held on 16.03.2017 at Pt. Deendayal Antyodaya Bhawan, New Delhi to discuss NRDWP Annual Action Plan – 2017-18 in respect of Bihar

Sir / Madam,

This undersigned is directed to send a copy of minutes of the meeting held to discuss NRDWP Annual Action Plan 2017-18 in respect of Bihar on 16.03.2017 at Pt. Deendayal Antyodaya Bhawan, New Delhi for further action.

Yours Faithfully,

(A.K.Srivastava)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

Encl: As above

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Technical Director (NIC) for hosting the minutes on Ministry’s website.
NRDWP- AAP 2017-18

MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 16th March 2017 TO DISCUSS THE NRDWP ANNUAL ACTION PLAN (2017-18) OF ‘BIHAR’ STATE

1. The Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation has conducted an NRDWP Annual Action Plan meeting for the year 2017-18 with the officials of “Bihar” State on 16th March 2017 in the Conference Room, 4th Floor, Pt. DeendayalAntyodayaBhawan, CGO Complex, New Delhi. The meeting was chaired by Shri SatyabrataSahu, Joint Secretary (Water), Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation (Gol). The list of the participants is given in Annexure.

2. The summary of the discussions is as follows:
   a. Joint Secretary (Water) informed that for the period of 2017-18, the State of Bihar would be allocated approximately the same quantum of funds under NRDWP as made during 2016-17. It was communicated that the State will be allocated tentatively Rs. 211.74 crore (excluding MDI) for NRDWP during 2017-18 as per existing guidelines. State should make the annual action plan accordingly. Higher contribution of State share would be appreciated to maintain more flow of fund to this sector. The state was advised to plan for the year 2017-18 taking into account the unspent balance available at the end of the financial year 2016-17, if any.
   b. Joint Secretary (Water), emphasized Ministry’s focus on completion of ongoing drinking water supply schemes in the decreasing order of physical completion stage. The State officials were advised to focus on the completion of last mile scheme i.e. 100% physically complete and financially incomplete followed by 75%-100% physically completed Drinking Water Supply Schemes and subsequently on the other schemes. New water supply schemes are allowed only in SAGY GPs, Verified ODF villages and for water quality affected habitations (Fluoride/Arsenic) and Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE) schemes. The Centre share of funds will not be utilized for the schemes O> to <25% physically completed schemes. State Government may fund these schemes from their own sources. The details of ongoing schemes in Bihar State are given below:-

   i) During the year 2016-17 following schemes under NRDWP were completed by State Govt of Bihar :-
      (a) Single villages Schemes Completed -103
      (b) Mini water supply completed -245
      (c) Hand pump Completed -4983
      (d) Population benefitted -37.05 lakh

   ii) Details of ongoing schemes under NRDWP in Bihar State is as under progress :-
      (e) Single village PWS - 191
      (f) Mini Water Supply Schemes - 645
(g) Multi-villages Schemes - 6
(h) Hand pump - 6500
(i) Pipe Water Supply in fluoride affected habitations Under NischayYojna - 600

c. The pace of expenditure against the release of central funds is very slow and a major portion of this amount is yet to be utilized by the state. Opening balance for the financial year 2017-18 should not be more than 10% of the total released funds of 2016-17. The allocation of funds for the ensuing financial year will be determined taking into account the carry over balance of funds of previous FY 2016-17. Therefore, State officials were advised to accelerate the pace of expenditure and make all possible efforts to minimize the carry over balance of funds to the next Financial Year.

(d) State officials were apprised by JS (Water) that while funds are released to the State during the next financial year, a list of schemes will be attached with the release order for utilizing the funds specific to the individual schemes. It will facilitate the State to achieve the targets utilizing the funds only for that specific project to which the funds are released.

(e) JS (W) informed the State Officials that a statement for the financial year 2016-17 showing the completion of number of water supply schemes, number of habitations and number of population benefited under the schemes completed should be furnished which is still awaited. The data as reported by state officials during the deliberations, which is to be verified on receipt info from States.

(f) JS (W) advised the state officials that new schemes can only be started in the verified ODF areas, SAGY villages and fluoride and arsenic affected areas.

(g) State was informed that Geo-Tagging of assets is being made mandatory from the current AAP period for funds release to state. It was requested to Geo-Tag all possible components of the pipe water supply schemes such as (i) Source, (ii) Water Treatment Plant, (iii) Storage Tanks, (iv) Stand posts, (v) Major nodes in conveying pipe network etc.
The progress of the schemes will be monitored on physical milestone basis. State officials informed that work on geo tagging has been initiated in Bihar State.

(h) As per the directions of Hon’ble Supreme Court of India, all Schools & Anganwadis in Public/Government buildings, if not covered previously, with drinking water facility are to be provided water supply without any further delay. It was clarified to the official that the source/connection of Piped drinking water may be provided up to the periphery/boundary of Government Schools/Anganwadis. If need be, the repair and maintenance of water supply schemes catering to the needs of such places may also be done with O&M funds in addition to other funds available.

(j) It was informed to the state officials that the data on IMIS is not correctly updated by the State. It adversely affects the planning and funding proposals in respect of the state. The state was advised by JS (W) to update the IMIS data accurately so that a figure could be known to this Ministry.

(k) AddlAdviser has advised to take sustainability measures like roof top rain water harvesting in the remote & habitations located on hilly top.

(l) JS (Water) informed that the State may take up new PWS schemes for SAGY or verified ODF GPs/villages, subject to approval of SLSSC.

(m) State should extensively for promoting household tap connections and use of toilets. This should be taken as a campaign and should also be widely publicized across the State.

(n) JS(Water) has directed to state that every officer from Jr. Engr and above to download “Water app” developed by NIC for proper monitoring of schemes. State was directed to update information regarding closure/completion of schemes immediately in IMIS.

(o) Suitable water tariff should be collected to make the schemes sustainable.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to and from the Chair.
Annexure

**Participating Officials to discuss NRDWP Annual Action Plan (2017-18) for Bihar State**

**Date of Meeting:** 16th March’2017

**Venue:** Conference Room, 4th Floor, MoDWS, Pt. DeendayalAntyodayaBhawan, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-03.

Officials from Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation & State Govt of Bihar

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