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Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation  
Rajiv Gandhi National Drinking Water Mission

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Dated: 5<sup>th</sup> December 2012

**Subject: National Conference of State Ministers and State Secretaries in charge of Rural Sanitation**

Dear Sir/ Madam,

This is with reference to the letter of even number dated 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2012, regarding the National Consultation of State Ministers and State Principal Secretaries/ Secretaries in charge of Rural Sanitation to be held on 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> Dec. 2012 at SCOPE Complex, (Adjacent to CGO Complex), Lodi Road, New Delhi.

2. This is to intimate that the Consultation with State Secretaries shall begin at 10.00 a.m. on 20<sup>th</sup> December, 2012 and the Consultation with State Ministers shall begin at 10.15 a.m. on 21<sup>st</sup> December.

3. You are requested to kindly make it convenient to attend the meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> of December, 2012. The programme schedule and agenda is enclosed.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

Sd/-

(T.M.Vijay Bhaskar)

To

Principal Secretaries/ Secretaries in -charge of Rural Sanitation- All States

Copy to:

1. NBA Coordinators - All States

Copy also to:

1. PS to Hon'ble MOS (I/C) - DWS, Krishi Bhawan
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**National Consultation with State Ministers and Secretaries  
in charge of Rural Sanitation  
on 20-21<sup>st</sup> December, 2012 at Scope Complex, New Delhi**

National Consultation with State Ministers and Secretaries in charge of Rural Sanitation is scheduled to be held on 20-21<sup>st</sup> December, 2012 at New Delhi.

Rural sanitation came into focus in the Government of India in the World Water Decade of 1980s. The Central Rural Sanitation Programme (CRSP) was started in 1986 to provide sanitation facilities in rural areas. It was simply a supply driven, highly subsidy and infrastructure oriented programme. As a result of deficiencies and low financial allocations, the CRSP had very little impact on the gargantuan problem. The experience of community –driven, awareness-generating campaign based programme in some states and the results of evaluation of CRSP, led to the formulation of Total Sanitation Campaign ( TSC) approach in 1999.

In 2012, the TSC has been revamped as Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan (NBA), which has been launched with modified guidelines and objectives to further accelerate sanitation coverage in the rural areas so as to comprehensively cover the rural community with renewed strategies. NBA has brought major changes in the rural sanitation programme by widening the provision of incentive for individual household latrine units to cover identified Above Poverty Line (APL) households who belong to Scheduled Castes (SC) /Scheduled Tribes (ST), small and marginal farmers, landless labourers with homesteads, physically challenged and women headed households along-with all Below Poverty Line (BPL) households .Under NBA, incentive has been increased to Rs 4600 ( Rs 3200 from Centre + Rs 1400 from State) + (Rs 500 extra for hilly and difficult areas from Centre). Additional financial assistance upto Rs 4500/- per IHHL has been provided in convergence with Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) for all eligible beneficiaries .

Through visits, feedback and review meetings, it is learnt that the implementation of NBA in convergence with MNREGS has not been fully streamlined as yet and States are facing some difficulties in operationalizing the convergence.

The main objectives of the National Consultation meeting would be to provide a forum for the participation of the political leadership at State level, State Secretaries, District and field functionaries, NGOs and international resource agencies to discuss various issues linked with implementation of NBA and to identify changes, modification for up-scaling the Nirmal Bharat for making India a Nirmal Bharat .

**Agenda for discussion**

- Review of States physical and financial progress after launch of NBA
- Review of implementation of NBA-MGNREGS convergence
- Implementation of new NGP guidelines:
- Review of Sanitation Monitoring Framework
- Review of Strategies for Strengthening IEC activities
- Review of role of NGOs and international resource agencies
- Time line for 100% Open Defecation Free
- Suggestions from States

**Programme Schedule:****Day One:** Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> December, 2012 – National Consultation with State Secretaries & other State and district officials in charge of rural sanitation

Time	Programme	Facilitators/Speakers
0930-1000	Registration	
1000-1002	Welcome	JS( Sanitation)
1002-1020	Overview of today's agenda	Secretary (DWS)
1030-1045	Power point presentation on physical and financial progress and other agenda items	JS (Sanitation)
10.45-11.30	Discussion (State wise) on agenda items	JS (Sanitation) & States
11.30 -11.45	Tea Break	
11.45- 13.00	Discussion on Convergence related issues with MGNREGA	Pr. Secy/ Rajasthan, Tamilnadu JS(NREGS), JS(Sanitation)
1300- 1315	SLWM- Successful examples from the field	Pr. Secy/Haryana
1315-1330	Innovative approach for accelerating sanitation coverage	Pr Secy/MP
1330-1430	Lunch	
1430-1440	Impact of IEC Campaign in Sanitation	Pr Secy/ Director ,NBA Kerala
1440-1450	Presentation on Nirmal Bharat Yatra	WASH UNITED & QUICKSAND
1450-1500	Sanitation Promotion efforts by FINISH,	Shri Sadanand Bhave , FINISH
1500-1510	Up-scaling Sanitation Programme in rural areas	Sulabh International
1510-1520	Pilot mobile based monitoring	WSP-World Bank
1520-1530	Presentation on Best Practices in Rural Water Supply	Haryana
1530-1545	Tea Break	
1545-1645	Discussion on NGP	JS(Sanitation)
1645-1700	Open House	
1700-1715	Summing up and recommendations	

**Day Two:** Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> December, 2012 – National Consultation with State Ministers and State Secretaries in charge of rural sanitation

Time	Programme	Facilitators/Speakers
1015-1017	Lighting of Lamp	
1017-1025	Address & presentation of findings of Secretaries Conference	Secretary, DWS
1025-1035	Address	Minister of State(IC) (DWS)
1035-1055	Overview of Rural Sanitation programme: Way forward in NBA & NGP	JS(Sanitation)
1055-1105	Sanitation Promotion efforts by FINISH,	Shri Sadanand Bhave , FINISH
1105-1115	Presentation on Nirmal Bharat Yatra	WASH UNITED & QUICKSAND
1115-1125	Up-scaling Sanitation Programme in rural areas	Sulabh International
11.25-11.40	Tea Break	
1140-1400	Interaction with Ministers from States	Minister of State(IC) (DWS)
1400	Lunch and closing	