To

Principal Secretary
Irrigation & Public Health Engineering Department (I&PHED)
Government of Himachal Pradesh
H.P. Secretariat
Shimla 171002

Sub: Minutes of the meeting held on 13.02.2017 at Pt. Deendayal Antyodaya Bhawan, New Delhi to discuss NRDWP Annual Action Plan – 2017-18 in respect of Himachal Pradesh

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 Himachal Pradesh on 13.02.2017 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.
1. Annual Action Plan meeting for 2017-18 with the officials of irrigation & Public Health Engineering (IPH) Department HP conducted on 13.02.2017 in the Conference room, 4th floor, Pt. DeendayalAntyodayaBhawan, CGO Complex, New Delhi. The meeting was chaired by Shri SatyabrataSahu, Joint Secretary (Water), MDWS, Gol. The list of participants is given in annexure.

2. In his opening remarks, JS (W) desired that the opening balance under NRDWP should be kept within the permissible limits in order to avail funds in 2017-18 (April).

3. It was informed that the State of Himachal Pradesh will be allocated approx. Rs. 66.01crores for NRDWP curing 2017-18 as per existing guidelines. State should plan targets under NRDWP keeping in view availability of nearly Rs. 192 crores, considering the higher expected share from the State. Accordingly, the targets should be provided for approval by the Ministry. Funding pattern for Himachal Pradesh would be in the ratio of 90:10 between Centre and the State. Higher contribution of State share would be appreciated to maintain more in-flow of fund to this sector.

4. It was deliberated that the amount of allocation in 2017-18 will be scheme/project based. There will be no investment in new projects. The amount will be reserved for ongoing schemes with priority in the order of 100%, 75-100%, 50-75% and 25-50% physically completed water supply schemes respectively. However there will be exception to take up new project in verified ODF SAGY villages, Arsenic/Fluoride affected habitations. On the progress of work, State has proposed a target of 700 partially covered habitations during 2017-18.

5. Further, it was deliberated that the projects having physical progress between 0-25% will be financed from the State funds as decided by Govt. of India.

6. During 2016-17, the physical progress of schemes is given below:

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<th>Sr. No.</th>
<th>Focused area under NRDWP</th>
<th>Target</th>
<th>Achievement up to December, 2016</th>
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<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>Partially covered habitations</td>
<td>900 (revised)</td>
<td>722</td>
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<td>Quality affected habitations</td>
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<td>Household connection</td>
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7. During deliberations, it was informed by the State Secretary that project amounting to US $488 million is under active consideration with Department of Economic Affairs and it’s 1st instalment of US $100 million is likely to be posed for funding to National Development Bank (NDB) during 2017-18.
8. JS (W) also deliberated that partially covered (PC) habitations having water supply between 0-25 lpcd should be given priority. The criteria for prioritizing would be as per the order mentioned in point no. 4 above. The State Secretary pointed out that there are only 168 PC habitations in this range, out of which 70 habitations have already been covered up to December, 2016 and remaining 98 habitations will be covered by March, 2017. It was also informed by the State officer that there are 30 Sansad Adarsh Gram Yojana (SAGY) habitations in the State, out of which 9 habitations have been covered and balance 21 habitations will also be covered during the current financial year, 2017-18.

9. As on 01.04.2016, there were 583 ongoing schemes in the State, out of which 87 schemes have been completed up to December, 2016.

10. Secretary IPH, Himachal Pradesh stated that there is no requirement of funds under DDP head for 2017-18. Also there is no Fluoride/ Arsenic affected habitation in the State.

11. In the minutes of last year’s Annual Action Plan, it was mentioned that States performing well in elimination of Open Defecation will be rewarded with piped water supply schemes. As such, Secretary IPH requested for allocation of additional funds under this provision. The estimates for sustaining ODF villages with old water supply schemes will be sent separately for 2017-18 and further the proposal for augmentation schemes for such schemes will be sent in the coming years.

12. Secretary, Govt. of HP stated that they have provided 12,931 households connections during 2016-17. Total number of households in the State are 13,41,940 out of which 7,28,873 households have been provided with house water connections, which is 54.31% against national average of 15.29%. It was also requested Rural Development (RD) that State should also be rewarded for this achievement.

13. Secretary, Govt. of HP stated that the IPH has also used Dept. of RD software/ website for geotagging of assets of water supply schemes, created for Geo-tagging of MGNREGA works. JS (W) directed NIC to review the aforesaid application being used by Dept. of RD and the one developed by this Ministry for improving it further.

14. The State has proposed an Action Plan to hand over all PWS to PRI’s in phased manner. The aforesaid activities are being undertaken by ‘State Training Centre (STC)’, which is funded through the support fund under NRDWP. The State may take up strengthening the STC. The funds for the same may be utilized from the ‘Support’ component under NRDWP.

15. The State was also advised to update data on IMIS with immediate effect during this Yearly Data Updation period.

16. State was advised to dovetail funds under MGNREGS/ FFC grant for better O&M of Water Supply Schemes.

17. Suitable water tariff should be collected to make the schemes sustainable.

The meeting ended with thanks to the chair.
Subject: Meeting with State to discuss Annual Action Plan for the year 2017-18.

Name of the State: Himachal Pradesh

Date: 13/3/17

Time: 10:30 AM

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