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PROCEEDING OF VISIT BY SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA IN JHARKHAND

Mr. Pankaj Jain, Secretary, Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation [MDWS], New Delhi visited State of Jharkhand on and from 05th May, 2014 to 7th May, 2014. Drinking Water and Sanitation Department [DWSD], Government of Jharkhand [GoJ] used this opportunity to showcase select initiatives taken by the state under centrally supported Flagship schemes of NRDWP and NBA in the state and deliberated upon the key issues related to implementation of the same. Overview of the programs attended by Mr. Pankaj Jain is given overleaf. Description of Select events and issues referred are mentioned below.

OPEN DEFECATION FREE VILLAGE GADRI, BLOCK BERO:

This is the first Open Defecation Free village of Jharkhand after GoJ have issued guideline supporting construction of sanitary toilet in all households as minimum criteria for ODF declaration. The project is marked for construction of Pucca Sanitary Toilet for all households using community contribution and provision of revolving fund as Loan to VWSC. UNICEF facilitated observation of due standard operating procedure as per state policy for achievement of Open Defecation Free status of the village. Case of Gadri village has found place in MDWS and UNICEF website.

PIPE WATER SUPPLY AT VILLAGE BARIDIH, BLOCK BERO:

The village used to face water crisis in summer due to non performance of Hand pumps. There is no immediate surface source for Pipe Water Supply. However scientific drilling using HGM maps encountered ground water potential of more than 5000 LPH at a select point of the village. Knowing this fact VWSC with technical support from Ranchi West division installed Mini Pipe Water based on HyDT boring. The project is marked for VWSC ownership from planning phase of a Pipe Water Supply scheme and represents more than 1000 such projects in the state.

REGULAR MAINTENANCE OF WASH ASSETS BY VWSC:

For more than two years Rural Pipe Water Supply Scheme at Bero block was transferred to VWSC for operation and Management by DWSD. Since then there has been considerable increase in house connection and regularity in revenue collection. Using the security deposit of Rs 310 - and monthly tax at stipulated rate of Rs.62/- VWSC has generated a revenue of around Rs. 2. 00000 Lakh and claimed same amount from DWSD as matching grant. Apart from regular operation and maintenance they have added new source to the system from their own fund. Motivated by the success of the model in Water they further took up a community sanitary complex in the adjoining market place. VWSC, Bero is running both of them ensuring financial sustainability through participatory decision making. The case of Bero

represents more than 70 such stories in the state which refutes the popular myth that 'Poors don't pay'.

CONVERGENCE ISSUE IN NBA AT VILLAGE LABED, BLOCK NAGRI:

Accompanied by Development Commissioner and additional Chief Secretary, DWSD, GoJ Secretary, MDWS visited village Labed located near state capital Ranchi and interacted with VWSC members. The village has resolved to achieve Open Defecation Free status and hope to achieve it soon. However, certain procedural issues with MGNREGS seem to place the NBA convergence program in slower track. As such, the case of Laved village represent not less than 30000 toilets across the state which seems to be completed all NBA norms but waiting for MGNREGS for completion certificate.

CASE OF ODF VILLAGE WITH MGNREGS CONVERGENCE AT KEWTIA, BLOCK BURMU :

In continuation with yesterdays parting session Secretary, MDWS, GoI visited village Kewtia at Burmu block. Facilitated by Ranchi West Division and Block Resource Centre Vikash Bharti and through sincere effort of the Mukhia, 82 households at Kewtia completed construction of household Pucca Toilet employing skilled labour from the village. The whole project was completed in 3 instalments over a period of 6 months. While the village celebrated ODF in the month of November, 2013 still a small part of MGNREGS support remains pending.

VWSC members mentioned that Presently MNREGA does not follow the NBA policy of saturation and conjoint approach. The process of Land verification, Filling of Measurement Book, entry in muster roll, Verification by the JEs and delay in release of MNREGA fund affects the pace and quality of ODF movement under NBA. Further since each Individual Household Toilet is considered as one scheme, such small schemes often fail to draw due attention of BDO's and MNREGA officers. Thus, there is a requirement to make needful modifications in MGNREGS –NBA convergence model in the state with due approval from GoI.

SOLAR BASED PWS AT CHILDAG, BLOCK KANKE:

Secretary, MDWS, GoI took this opportunity to review usage of Water Quality Field Test kits by Jal Sahiyas and visited a recently installed solar powered Mini Water Supply scheme at village Childag at Kanke block supplying water to 35 households.

INTERACTIVE SESSION:

Post field visit, Shri Pankaj Jain interacted with DWSD team comprised of Additional Chief Secretary, DWSD and Chief Engineer, Head Quarter and Chief Engineer, Program Management Unit. The team requested him to take up needful action on following immediate concern of DWSD, GoJ ;

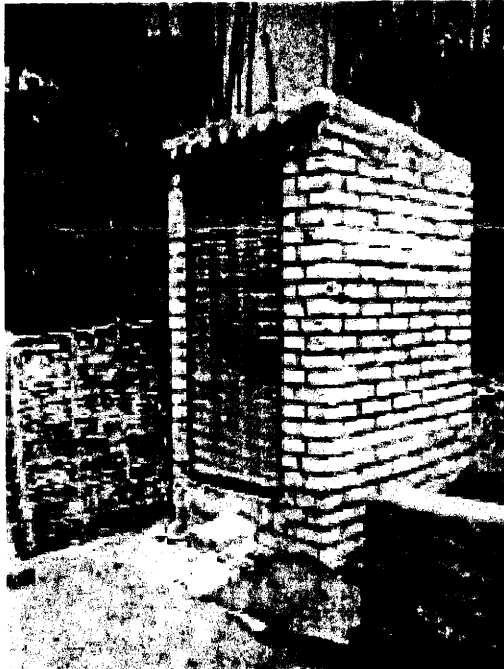
1. MGNREGS-NBA convergence
2. Remuneration for BRC officials
3. Provision of Repair of Toilets [slip back]
4. Tax Exemption on Prefabricated Toilets
5. Revisiting Costing community Toilet under NBA
6. Cost factor in Adoption of Bio Digester Technology.

Feed Back and proposed Actions for consideration: Secretary, MDWS , Mr. Pankaj Jain, was presented with **guidelines** issued by the State for **transparent** and Democratic functioning of Village Water and Sanitation Committee and other **Panchayati Raj** institutions to ensure community participation in Water and Sanitation sector program being executed through flagship scheme of NRDWP and NBA. **Analytical Report** of Rural Drinking Water and Sanitation Awareness week was shared by the State team. Secretary, MDWS assured all possible help from his side to take up the matters specifying need of documentation and subject wise separate communication on behalf of the state to initiate the process.

Figures: [From top left]

1. A sample Toilet at Open Defecation Free village of Gadri in Bero Block of Ranchi District.
2. Testing Water Quality and Examination of Source for Baridih Pipe Water Supply
3. Pipe Water Supply System mentioning VWSC members name at Baridih village in Bero Block
4. Community Toilet maintained by Village Water and Sanitation Committee at Bero Market.
5. Interaction with VWSC representative in presence of Additional Chief Secretary, DWSD, GoJ at village Labed.
6. Interaction with Community at village Kewtia on MGNREGS convergence and Water Quality issues.

Enclosed: Annexure-1 Overview and Program Summary of Secretary, MDWS, GoJ in Jharkhand.



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Annexure-1 Overview and Program Summary of Secretary, MDWS, GoI in Jharkhand

Schedule For	Time Slot	Particulars	Location	Remarks
Day 1	5.30 PM	Reached Ranchi From Delhi and checking in	Ranchi Airport	Received by CE, HQ & team
	6.00 PM - 8.30 PM	Discussion with DWSD officials	Hotel Radisson Blue	Secretary, DWSD, CE (HQ) & NRDWP officials
Day 2	8.00 AM- 11.30 AM	Visit to Open Defecation Free Village	Gadri village of Bero block	Facilitated by UNICEF & BRC
	11.30 AM-01.30 PM	Visit to VWSC managed Pipe Water Supply Scheme	Baridih village of Bero block	Facilitated by Ranchi (W) division
	01.30 PM- 02.00 PM	Visit to Community managed Sanitation Complex	Bero Village of Bero Block	Facilitated by Ranchi (W) division
	2.00 PM- 5.00 PM	Interaction with PRI and functionaries	Labeled village of Namkum Block	Facilitated by NBA officials
Day 3	8.30 AM- 11.00 AM	Study case of MGNREGS convergence in a ODF village	Kewtia Village of Burmu Block	Facilitated by NBA officials
	11.00 AM- 3.00 PM	Inspection of a Solar based Pipe Water Supply scheme	Childag village of Kanke Block	Facilitated by Ranchi (W) division
	3.00 PM- 4.30 PM	Closing Discussion with DWSD officials	Hotel Radisson Blue	Secretary, DWSD & CE-c-ED (PMU) & NBA officials
	4.30 PM	Checking Out and Leave for Delhi	Ranchi Airport	Facilitated by CE ,PMU