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Dear

You are aware under the "National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP)" Guidelines, States will have to prepare a plan every year for sustainability of drinking water sources by adopting suitable structures and techniques for which 20% of the NRDWP allocation of the State has been earmarked as 100% grant-in-aid by Government of India.

2. Clarifications have been sought by some States regarding investment of 'Sustainability' component funds and seeking to divert them for coverage and quality.

3. The issue has been considered and it has been decided that relaxation will be available only to those States/ areas that are "water surplus" (with annual normal rainfall more than 1500 mm) but face quality issues regarding iron, arsenic and fluoride in these States. In addition to conservation measures in such States, development of alternate sources of supply and treatment units could also be considered under the sustainability component of these States. No relaxation on 'Sustainability' investment would be feasible for areas of 'water deficit' states (with annual normal rainfall less than 1500 mm) since in such areas attention must be paid to recharge structures, rejuvenation of sources (defunct bore wells) and rainwater harvesting structures.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

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