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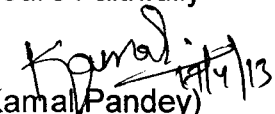
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Subject: Minutes of the meeting held on 5.3.2013 at Paryavaran Bhawan, CGO Complex, New Delhi to discuss NRDWP Annual Action Plan- 2013-14 in respect of Manipur.

Sir,

The undersigned is directed to send a copy of minutes of the meeting held to discuss NRDWP Annual Action Plan- 2013-14 in respect of Manipur on 5.3.2013 at Paryavaran Bhawan, CGO Complex, New Delhi for further necessary action.

Yours Faithfully


(Kamal Pandey)
Deputy Director (Stats)

Encl: As above

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Minutes of the Meeting on NRDWP Annual Action Plan 2013-14 (Manipur)

A meeting to discuss NRDWP Annual Action Plan (2013-14) of Manipur State was held on 05/03/2013 in Conference Room, 12th Floor, Paryavaran Bhavan, CGO Complex, New Delhi. The meeting was chaired by Shri T. M. Vijay Bhaskar, Joint Secretary-Water. Manipur State was represented by a delegation led by Mr. W.L. Hanshing, Principal Secretary, Mr. L. Ibomcha, Superintendent Engineer and Mr. M. Imomacha, Chief Engineer, Government of Manipur.

Points of the discussion are as follows:

A. Physical Progress

The anticipated achievement of coverage of habitations in Manipur in 2012-13 is only 60 percent. The State pointed out the reduction in their plan budget from Rs. 46 to Rs. 25 crore and requested for reduction in the target accordingly. However, State has been allocated Rs. 63.72 crore in 2012-13 including (MDI) which they should utilize and achieve the target. The proposed target for 2013-14 is 25 habitations. Regarding SC and ST Sub plan, State was asked to spend 1.84 percent of funds for SC concentrated habitations and 44.37 per cent for ST concentrated habitations.

B. Financial Progress

State has not yet received their second installment of Programme Fund and the reported expenditure is only Rs. 14.81 crores (44.16 per cent). Even after getting only the first installment (part) the expenditure of Support Fund is Rs. 0.75 crore which is only 39 percent of available funds. The achievement of utilisation of WQMS funds is only 23 percent. JS, Water said that Manipur will have a tentative allocation for next year of about Rs. 73.49 crores. JS, Water requested the State officials to utilize funds by this month so that they do not have a high opening balance. Manipur is spending more than 95 percent on the piped water supply schemes which is good. The per capita capital cost on the scheme is approx. Rs. 3500-4000. JS Water said that no capital cost norm/ceiling is imposed on the States by the Ministry and the State can have their own norms.

C. Water Quality

Manipur has set up Water Quality labs up to district level. The target for setting up State Sub Divisional labs in 2012-13 is 11 but the achievement is 0. State said they cannot afford to set up

Manipur has not transferred O&M Funds to Gram Panchayats. The State is calculating materials provided in terms of money and also the salaries of officials. The procurement of chemicals is also booked under these funds. JS, Water said that it cannot be considered as amount transferred to PRIs unless the funds are actually transferred. Principal Secretary asked if money can be transferred to their accounts. JS confirmed this and suggested that the State may open separate bank escrow accounts for GPs. A clear instruction can be given to banks that funds in these accounts will be utilized only to pay electricity bills/ water supply O&M bills. An O&M manual for Engineers is being put up on the MDWS website for comments and suggestions from the States. However, the same manual can be modified with a pictographical format to make it convenient for the villagers.

II. Support Funds

IEC: Manipur's expenditure and physical achievements against social mobilization and print media targets are very low. For the next year State will be spending Rs. 59 lakhs on the IEC head.

Regarding Collection of GPS Coordinates of all sources, JS asked the State to carry out this work either by entrusting this work to some external agency or by doing it departmentally.

Regarding Grievance Redressal System: States can have a single toll free call number for the entire State for registration of complaints so that the same can be monitored. After the complaint is registered, an SMS should go to the Engineer informing her/him about the complaint, and once the problem is solved, a call should go to the complainant. The case can be closed only when the complainant is satisfied with the action taken.

JS Water asked Manipur to send a team with NIC officials working with the department to Punjab to look at their model. The Punjab's public call center model is functioning well and can be adopted by Manipur. The person can bring the same software and the State can set it up.

Important Action Points for the State:

- I. Manipur will have a tentative allocation of Rs. 73.49 crore in 2013-14 with 1.84 per cent for SCSP and 44.37 per cent for TSP
- II. Manipur should ensure they do not have a high opening balance in 2013-14.
- III. Target for coverage of habitations for 2013-14 will be 250. State should mark the targeted habitations online by 15.04.2013 to facilitate release of first installment.
- IV. Manipur should plan to provide ground level or overhead tanks and taps for hand washing, toilet and drinking water in all schools.
- V. The target for coverage of Anganwadis for 2013-14 should be fixed by taking figures from WCD department.

- VI. The State needs to conduct 3 tests in a year for 3300 sources, twice for bacteriological (because Manipur has a significant bacteriological problem) and once for chemical in a quarter. Since Manipur has 11 functional labs this could be done easily. Regarding the issue of power cut, solar power can be considered for the labs.
- VII. Coverage of all remaining Government schools has to be completed by 31.03.2013.
- *VIII. As per Census, 2011 Report, in 1349 villages, households are situated more than 500 metres away from drinking water source. The State should look at the village list and prioritise covering them.
- IX. State to mark targeted habitations online by 15th April 2013
- X. State should set up a Toll free Call Centre for Grievance Redressal. A team of from Manipur may be sent to Punjab to learn from their model of Toll free Call Centre Public Grievance Redressal System.
- XI. The target for number of GPWSC trainings needs to be raised to 4500. Manipur to conduct residential refresher trainings for two people from each GP every year.
- XII. State should install bulk meters in PWS scheme
- XIII. State should expedite according administrative sanction to all the projects/schemes taken under NRDWP after SLSSC approval. Time gap (after SLSSC approval) should not exceed 2 and half months.
- XIV. State should get Water and Energy audit done for large water supply schemes.
- XV. State should transfer O&M a fund to PRI's to score higher on MDI and obtain higher incentive funds.
- XVI. Defunct bore wells should be converted as recharging structures.
- XVII. State should target to train 4500 GLWs and adopt conjoint effort in training of grass root workers for water and sanitation. Each training should have exposure visit component.
- XVIII. State should ensure adequate allocation to Minority Concentrated Districts and habitations populated by SC and ST adequately. State has been asked to spend 67 per cent of funds in 6 minority concentrated districts.
- XIX. State may try to cover institutional buildings like schools, health centres, Panchayat offices, etc. with roof water harvesting in 2013-14 under NRDWP (Sustainability). State should revive traditional water bodies using sustainability fund.
- XX. State should prioritize targeting 0-25 percent covered habitations
- XXI. IEC expenditure should be increased with a focus on Social Mobilisation activities.
- XXII. State has to ensure completion of Accounting and Audit formalities to ensure regular release of NRDWP funds.
- XXIII. State should involve ASHA workers 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. The ASHA workers can be paid Rs. 75 as decided by the Ministry for promoting tap connections from NRDWP in addition to Rs. 75 for the use of toilet in each household to be paid from NBA.
- XXIV. Water Quality Testing in labs target should be 16,600 considering 5 tests a year for 3310 sources.

XXV. Uncovered wells, untreated water from PWSS/taps or any other drinking water sources which are contaminated must be treated before supplying drinking water. PWSS coverage should be expanded and individual tap connections should be increased.

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

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