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Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation


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To,
Shri R.B. Thong
Principal Secretary
Public Health Engineering Department
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Kohima 797 001.

Subject: **Minutes of the meeting held on 25/3/2014 at Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi to discuss NRDWP Annual Action Plan- 2014-15 in respect of Nagaland**

Sir,

The undersigned is directed to send a copy of minutes of the meeting held to discuss NRDWP Annual Action Plan- 2014-15 in respect of Nagaland on 25/3/2014 at Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi for further necessary action.

Yours Faithfully

(Kamal Pandey)
Deputy Director (Stats)

Encl: As above

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1. Director(Water)
- ✓ 2. Technical Director (NIC) for hosting the minutes on Ministry's website.

**Minutes of the Meeting to discuss the NRDWP
Annual Action Plan 2014-15 of NAGALAND**

A meeting to discuss NRDWP Annual Action Plan (2014-15) of Nagaland State was held in office of Secretary - MDWS in Nirman Bhavan, New Delhi on 25/03/2014. The meeting was chaired by Shri Pankaj Jain Secretary, Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation-Gol. Nagaland State was represented by Shri Kevisekhho Kruse, Chief Engineer, PHED, Nagaland, and Shri K. Ghushito Sumi, Director, WSSO, PHED, Nagaland. The list of the participants is annexed.

NRDWP

Officials of the Nagaland Government made a presentation on implementation of NRDWP in 2013-14 and the proposed Annual Action Plan (2014-15) for the State.

1. Secretary DWS and JS Water reviewed the different AAP formats provided by the State during the AAP meeting. **It was informed to the State of Nagaland that the State will have a tentative allocation Rs. 49.09 Crore (based on the criteria prescribed in NRDWP guidelines). This allocation excludes Management Devolution Index based Incentive funding and the same will be communicated later.** Under Water Quality Special Focus Fund Project (Subject to approval of Cabinet) the State is eligible to get another Rs 0.50 crore. The exact allocation will be communicated to the State in the month of April, 2014. The Action Plan of 2014-15 should be prepared keeping this allocation in mind and also keeping apart funds to complete the incomplete schemes. State was communicated to revise the AAP with the inputs provided in the discussion.

2. The gists of the discussions are as follows:

1. Secretary, MDWS, observed that the **State should give equal focus on all components of NRDWP** and should not be to the NRDWP-Program Funds alone. The performance of the State in Program component is satisfactory however the thrust should be to first cover the 0% population coverage category of both qualities affected and not affected villages. The state should then consider coverage of the next category of villages, i.e. those with 0-25 % population coverage of both non quality affected and quality affected then 25-50% and so on. JS also noticed that the state is capable enough to achieve more target coverage of villages and should pursue for more targets during 2014-15, and on the basis of that the targets were mutually discussed and finalised. Very low achievements are noticed in respect of quality affected habitations also, which warrants considerable improvement. Although there are district laboratories and a mobile laboratory set in the state the number of water samples tested are found to be very low. The state should put more efforts to carryout testing of water samples of all sources and a source should

be covered at least twice in a year. Numbers of Piped water supply schemes handed over to Panchayats and Number of Panchayat members trained in handling piped water schemes reported are found to be very low. JS has suggested that efforts should be made to improve the situation. The Chief Engineer informed that there is some error with the entry in the IMIS system and has requested that some personal may be trained by the NIC. Since they lack appropriate man power with training in data entry and handling of computers erroneous entries occur. The targets for the different components have been suitably revised on mutual consent and the Chief Engineer has agreed to incorporate the same in the revised AAP.

- II. **State shall follow NRDWP Guidelines in letter & Spirit and shall not violate any provision of the Guideline.** This was made clear to the State as the Ministry has observed that some of the States have taken fully covered habitations as a target in 2013-14 and, are not giving priority to partially covered habitations and water quality affected habitations. JS instructed the state to give first priority to coverage of 0% covered category as there are such habitations. It was noted that the physical performance of the State was only 50.59% in partially covered habitations and 10.19% in the Quality Affected habitations. State was urged to expedite the coverage of Quality affected habitations on a priority basis. State was also informed that all new schemes should be planned with a provision of 55 lpcd as per the 12th Five Year Plan and the old schemes also needs to be upgraded with a provision of 55 lpcd rather than the previous norms of 40 lpcd.
- III. JS (Water) pointed that there are 4 major parameters on which the Ministry would like to focus so that the objectives of NRDWP is achieved. They are: 1. Coverage of Partially Covered habitations (giving top priority to 0-25 % coverage followed by 25-50 % coverage and so on), 2. Enhancement of Piped Water Supply schemes 3. Enhancement of Household taps connections and 4. Coverage of water quality affected habitations. All these parameters inevitably cover the other soft components of NRDWP which includes institutional arrangements like WSSO/DWSM/BRC etc, Training, HRD Activities, MIS, Laboratory setting/upgradation etc.
- IV. It was also informed to the State that from now onwards, NRDWP Funds for 2014-15 and for subsequent years would be released and deposited in State Government account. PHED officials should work closely with the State Government in order to avail the funds timely and utilize it.
- V. AAP should also reflect expenditure on SC and ST concentrated habitations on IMIS of the Ministry from Central and State share. State was also informed that as per the latest data provided by Ministry of Minority Affairs, GoI, the state is predominantly Tribal.

VI. After due deliberation and review of the targets taken in 2013-14, the Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation, has suggested the State to take following targets for 2014-15:

Total number of habitations	Target Habitations for 2014-15		
	Target for Quality Affected Habitations	Other habitations (Partially Covered)	Total
1500	36 with priority for 0 lpcd habitation	84 with priority for 0 lpcd habitations	120

3. Based on the above revisions in the targets of the estimated costs should also be carried out while finalizing the revised AAP 2014-15.

The revised RFD targets for 2014-15 for other components are as follows

Sl.No	Particulars	Target for 2014-15
1	Partially covered habitations (20 Point target)	84
2	Quality affected habitations (20 Point target)	36
3	Number of persons to be trained to monitor water quality tests using FTK's	5000
4	Rural population covered with piped water supply - in lakhs	1.00
5	Rural habitations covered with piped water supply	120
6	Coverage of individual households with piped water supply	3000
7	Number of water supply schemes to be handed over to Panchayats	60
8	Provision of water supply in schools	540

VII. It was observed by JS that there are 331 habitations in the state with 0 lpcd water as of now according to the data made available. Emphasis and priority should be given to these habitations first and leaving such habitations without coverage no other schemes need be taken up. The entire

allocation if required may be spending for coverage of habitations among the 331 with 0 lpcd water availability.

- VIII. There are 41 ongoing schemes and no schemes with more than 3 years after the start.
- IX. **State should provide authentic data regarding the number of Rural population covered with Piped Water Supply (PWS), which should be updated at least up to 2012-13, and also the number of individual household tap connections in the State. The information should be provided district-wise to the Ministry in both hard copy and in soft copy in positively, one month timeframe.** To begin with, data should be collected from each GP by Junior Engineer and should be processed through Assistant Engineer and Executive Engineer for block level and district level respectively before reaching to Chief Engineer and finally to the Secretary-in-charge of RWS of the State.
- X. Training Calendar for 2014-15 should be prepared at the earliest, should be shared with the Ministry and implemented, particularly on training of FTK kits. Also, 2-3 VWSC members should be trained in 2014-15, either as initial or as refresher training. Exposure visits/Workshops etc on important and relevant issues should be conducted.
- XI. **State should cover all Government rural schools as per directions of the Supreme Court.** All public Anganwadis in Public/government buildings, if not covered previously, should be provided drinking water.
- XII. State should mark all targeted habitations and other targets on the IMIS by 15th March 2014 after approval from the Ministry. **First installment in 2014-15 would be released only after marking is completed.**
- XIII. State should involve ASHA workers or appropriate agencies extensively for promoting household tap connections and use of toilets. The ASHA workers should be informed about the Rs 75 available as decided by the Ministry for promoting tap connection in each household in addition to Rs 75 for toilet construction and usage.
- XIV. All drinking water sources should be tested at least once every year for chemical constituents & twice for bacteriological contamination. State may upgrade the instrumentation facilities at State laboratory if required.
- XV. State has not set up BRCs till date. The Chief Engineer informed that considering the small size of districts there is no need for setting up BRC's.

- XVI. **JS suggested that the state should prepare a shelf of projects to make expeditious implementation and coverage in piped water supply with 55lpcd.**
- XVII. **JS appreciated the achievement of the state in covering all Open defecation free GP's with piped water supply.**
- XVIII. **It was also requested to the states to start with the system of GPS co-ordinates on water sources and also to take initiative for grievance redressal mechanism after studying the processes through which other neighbouring states have implemented the programme.**
- XIX. **Support funds made under NRDWP is predominantly used to make payments of fees to Consultants. This should be extended to other activities also.**

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

List of participants of meeting to discuss Annual Action Plan 2013-14 held on 25th March 2014 in the Conference Room of office of Secretary, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi

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S.N	Name and Designation	Designation	Office Address
1.	Shri Pankaj Jain	Secretary	Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation
2.	Shri Satyabrata Sahu	Joint Secretary	Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation
3.	Shri G.R. Zargar	Senior Consultant	Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation
5	Dr. Gangadhara Murugan	Consultant - NRC	Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation
6	Shri. Jaimon Uthup	Consultant - M&E	Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation

Officials from Nagaland State

S.N	Name and Designation	Designation	Office Address
1	Sri. Kevisekho Kruse	Chief Engineer - PHED	PHED, Kohima, Nagaland
2	Sri. K. Ghushito Sumi	Director, WSSO	PHED, Kohima, Nagaland

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Sub: - *Minutes of the Meeting to discuss the NRDWP Annual Action Plan 2014-15 of NAGALAND*

I am to **enclose herewith the draft minutes of the discussions on Annual Action Plan in respect of Nagaland State held on 25-3-2014 in the conference Hall of the Secretary, MDWS for further necessary action and approval.**

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