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To,
Shri Arun Singhal
Principal Secretary
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Government of Uttar Pradesh,
Sachiv Bhawan, UP Sachivalaya, Lucknow 226001.

Subject: Minutes of the meeting held on 26/2/2014 at Paryavaran Bhawan, New Delhi to discuss NRDWP Annual Action Plan- 2014-15 in respect of Uttar Pradesh

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 Uttar Pradesh on 26/2/2014 at Paryavaran 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 Meeting to discuss the NRDWP
Annual Action Plan 2014-15 of Uttar Pradesh State**

A meeting to discuss NRDWP Annual action plan (2014-2015) of Uttar Pradesh was held on 26th February 2014 in chamber of Joint Secretary (water) Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation, Paryawaran Bhawan New Delhi. The meeting was chaired by Shri Satyabarata Sahu, Joint Secretary (Water), Government of India, Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation. Uttar Pradesh state was represented by Shri Sudhir Kumar Srivastava, Secretary, Government of Uttar Pradesh; Department of Rural Development with their Officials. The list of participants is annexed.

NRDWP

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

Secretary DWS and JS Water reviewed the formats of AAP provided by the state during the meeting. It was informed to the State of Uttar Pradesh that keeping in view the presently communicated allocation for NRDWP during 2014-15 to the Ministry; the State will have a tentative allocation Rs. 846.9564 Crore (based on the criteria prescribed in the NRDWP guidelines). This allocation excludes Management Devolution Index based Incentive funding and the same will be communicated after evaluation. Under Water Quality Special Focus Fund Project (Subject to approval of cabinet) the State is eligible to get another Rs 15.2167 crore. The exact allocation will be communicated to the State in the month of April, 2014. **State should prepare the plan with the estimated cost of schemes taken up at least two times of the quantum of available funds after considering the quantum of funds required for the completion of ongoing schemes as specified in the guidelines.** The state should plan for 2014-15 taking in to account the unspent balance available at the end of the current financial year. State was communicated to revise the AAP with the inputs provided in the discussion.

The gist of the discussion is as follows:

1. Secretary, MDWS, observed that the **State should give equal focus on all components of NRDWP** and not only to the NRDWP-Programme Funds. The performance of the state in the programme component is satisfactory whereas the expenditure in the water quality Monitoring Surveillance and 5% earmarked funds are not promising. State has not claimed the second installment of the 5% earmarked funds.
2. **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 given priority to partially covered habitations and water quality affected habitations. It was noted that the Physical performance of the state was only 21.55% in partially covered habitations and 16.09% in the

quality affected habitations. The state was urged to expedite the coverage of quality affected habitations on a priority basis. State was also informed that all the new schemes should be planned with provision of 55 lpcd as per the 12th Five Year Plan and old schemes also needs to be upgraded with a provision of 55 lpcd rather than the previous norms of 40 lpcd.

3. J.S. (water) pointed that there are four 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 tapes connections and, 4. Coverage of Water quality habitations. All these parameters of NRDWP which includes institutional arrangements like WSSO / DWSM/ BRC ETC, TRAINING , HRD Activities, MIS, Laboratory setting/ up gradations etc.
4. Quality affected habitations should be targeted first with the priority of coverage of 0-25%, 25-50%, than to 50-100% habitations.
5. Joint Secretary (water) M/O DWS has informed that as per The Twelfth Five Year Plan approach, looking at the increasing number of hand pumps, and the resulting lowering of the ground water table which leads to water quality issues across the country, the focus should be on promoting piped water supply rather than on hand pumps, a shift towards surface water based schemes takes place gradually and the existing Hand pump schemes shall be converted to piped water supply scheme if possible.
6. Efforts should be made to have maximum piped water supply schemes to achieve the national goal of coverage of 50 % rural households.
7. Implementation of hand pump based schemes shall be minimized. 74.2% population of the state is dependent on hand pump that to a service level of 55 LPCD and 99%, habitations are fully covered. Therefore Joint Secretary (water) stated that no new Hand pumps shall be proposed, he further said that if the existing hand pump got defunct (Amended/dry) only 25% of allocation under programme fund can be utilized for Rejuvenation of hand pumps. The state government should prepare a strategy plan to switch over from hand pump scheme to piped water supply scheme based on surface /underground source.
8. All ODF habitations under NBA are to be provided with adequate water supply as per state government norms of LPCD.
9. Execution periods for completion of schemes should be minimized to avoid price escalation and all the on-going schemes more than 5 years old be completed immediately as early as possible. No central funds will be utilized for cost overrun of such schemes and these schemes be completed with state funds. Secretary, PHED, Uttar Pradesh reported that the entire on-going schemes which are of more than 5 years old as on today will be completed till June 2014.

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

| Total number of habitations(as per IMIS) | Target Habitations for 2014-15 | | |
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| | Target for Quality affected Habitations | Other habitations (Partially covered) | Total |
| 260110 | 3000 | 23000 | 26000 |

11. The physical target for coverage of habitations under 20 point programme for 2013-14 was 25000 habitations, against which 5262 habitations have been covered till 31/1/2013, as per state reporting on IMIS. Joint Secretary (Water) has directed to expedite the progress including entry of data on IMIS and he also added that achieving major progress in the last month of the financial year always creates doubt on the achievement and is questionable. Secretary, RDD, Uttar Pradesh has informed that all the balance habitations will be covered by March 2014. As per proposed AAP for 2014-15 State has proposed to cover 26000 habitations, out of which 1000 habitation proposed under water quality affected and 25000 habitations under partially covered non-quality affected. The Joint Secretary water) has suggested to propose 3000 habitations under water quality NRDWP component & additional earmarked fund and also 23000 habitations under partially covered habitations (0-25%/25-50%). Total numbers of habitation coverage will be the same as proposed earlier.
12. Regarding coverage of SC/ST and minority habitations, the target of 2013-14 for schedule caste/schedule tribe and minority habitations are of 987, 21 and 45 habitations against which the achievements are of 185, 106 and 0 habitations. The Joint secretary(water) has ask to expedite the progress and propose the target for the year 2014-15 as 1316, 28 and 60 habitations for SC, ST and minority respectively in the proportion of their percentage of population.
13. Joint Secretary (Water) has ask to take up quality affected and partially covered habitations while framing/planning major water supply schemes, no FC habitation shall be taken up except en-route habitations.
14. J.S.(Water) explained that in 2014-2015 the ministry stressed a conjoint saturation approach towards provision of piped drinking water supply and sanitation. This implied that while adhering to the priorities of NRDWP, provision of new piped water supply schemes should be targeted to habitations without piped water supply in GPs where in 100% toilet coverage (open defecation free) has been achieved as per IMIS data. The convergence was also needed i.e. NBA should also target GPs where piped water supply was already fully provided to make them ODF and Nirmal Grams.

15. The targets for number of person trained to monitor water quality by using FTK was 7555, rural population covered with piped water supply schemes (person in lakhs) was 1.5, number of piped water supply scheme handed over to panchayat was 81 and number of VWSC and PRIs. members trained in managing schemes are 3486. State has achieved 100% targets in aforesaid activities. The targets for water quality tests done in laboratory was of 225000 against which the achievement is only of 3.13%, the target for number of water quality test done with FTKs is 900000 against which the achievement is only of 4.82%, Joint Secretary (Water) has directed to expedite the progress in low score area. He has also directed to fix up the target for 2014-15 for rural habitation covered with piped water supply as 7000 in place of 1000 and to cover 250000 of individual households with piped water supply scheme in place of 4000.
16. **State should cover all the Government rural schools as per direction of the Supreme Court** All public Anganwadis in public / government buildings, if not covered , should be provided drinking water.
17. Sustainability -For the year 2013-2014 total 2000 sustainability structures were proposed, against which the progress as reported on IMIS up to 31/1/2014 is 75 structures , as such progress is very low. The state government was requested to expedite the progress so as to complete the target by March 2014. For the year 2014 -15, it has been proposed to construct 3750 sustainability structures.
18. Support Activities-Joint Secretary (water) pointed out that achievement in IEC activities was very low, which should be expedited. Community participation and training programme were lagging J S (Water) advised the state to visit states of Andhra, Karnataka, Gujrat & Tamil Nadu to follow their model for community participation and training activities. Further he asked to state Government to prepare a calendar for training and IEC activities .The Pr. Secretary RDD, reported that the complaint redressal system in the state is functioning well.
19. Operation & Maintenance-The state was advised to hand over piped water supply schemes/Hand pump schemes to Panchayats with awareness and capacity building of PRIs functioning.
20. State should mark all targeted habitations and other targets on the IMIS by end of April after approval from the Ministry. First installment in 2014-15 would be released only after marking is completed.
21. 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 should be informed about the Rs.75 available as decided by the Ministry for promoting tap connection in each house hold in addition to Rs. 75 for toilet construction and uses.
22. The process of taking GPS Coordinates of all drinking water sources in the state may be made compulsory.
23. States may try to cover institutional building like schools, health centers, panchyat offices with roof top rain water harvesting in 2014-15 under NRDWP (Sustainability)

24. All drinking water sources should be tested at least once every year for chemical constituents and twice for bacteriological contamination. State may upgrade the instrumentation facilities at the State laboratory for pesticide monitoring high amount of fertilizers and pesticide/insecticide are used in states.
25. State has not set up BRCs till date. State should complete recruiting professionals in BRCs WSSO / CCDU, DWSM, etc at the earliest.
26. To utilize funds on community water purification plant in water quality affected habitations, State should prepare district wise outlay plan with DPRs on projectised mode with district as unit and submit to SLSSC (State Level Scheme Sanctioning Committee) for consideration. The proposal after vetting in SLSSC should be sent to CEC (Central Empowered Committee) of the Ministry for approval and release of funds.

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

List of Participants of meeting to discuss Annual Action Plan 2014-15 for Uttar Pradesh State held on 26th February 2014, in the Office of the Joint Secretary, 9th Floor, Paryavaran bhawan, New Delhi

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| 6 | Sh R.L.Mathur | Assistant Advisor |
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Officials from Uttar Pradesh State

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| 2 | Dr.Mahesh Pandey | FA, State Water & Sanitation Mission, U.P.Jal Nigam |
| 3 | Sh R.C.Tripati | Chief Engineer(Rural), U.P.Jal Nigam |
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