## MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD TO DISCUSS ANNUAL IMPLEMENTATION PLAN 2013-2014 UNDER NBA OF STATE OF HIMACHAL PRADESH IN NEW DELHI ON 12<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2013

- 1. A meeting to discuss Annual Implementation Plan 2013-2014 of State of Himachal Pradesh was held at 4.00 PM on 12<sup>th</sup> March, 2013. The meeting was chaired by Joint Secretary (NBA), Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation. The list of the participants is annexed.
- 2. At the outset, Chairman welcomed all the participants and mentioned that during the year 2012-13, the state has made good progress and the State need to speed up its activities to soon achieve the status of Nirmal State. He further intimated about Census 2011 reporting of sanitation coverage of 67.50% in Himachal Pradesh. This need to be accelerated to align it with 12<sup>th</sup> plan objective of 50% Nirmal Grams by 2017 as well as to meet the vision of NBA of 100% ODF by 2022.

Achievement made by the State during the fiscal year 2012-13 against the approved project objectives is intimated to be as under:

1.1 Physical Progress: As against cumulative objectives of 218167 for individual household latrines (IHHL) for BPL 632583 IHHL for APLs, 1229 Sanitary Complexes, 20738 for school toilets and 10308 for Anganwadi toilet, the State has achieved 1249986 for individual household latrines (IHHL) for BPL, 780492 IHHL for APL, 791 Sanitary Complexes, 17325 for school toilets and 8536 for Anganwadi toilet,

During 2012-13, against Annual Objectives of 564 latrines (IHHL) for BPL, 3521 IHHL for APLs, 569 Sanitary Complexes, 3915 for School toilets and 3838 for Anganwadi Toilet, the achievements are 552 of individual household latrines (IHHL) for BPL, 3908 IHHL for APL, 124 for Sanitary Complex, 470 for School toilets and 86 for Anganwadi Toilets have been constructed till January, 2013.

- 2.2 **Financial Progress:** The State has a high opening balance of Rs 930.85 lakh. Fund released in 2012-13 is Rs. 1666.96 lakhs. The expenditure reported of Rs. 1226.53 lakhs is low as against the funds available in the year 2012-13.
- Under Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan, provision of incentive has been extended to APLs who belong to SC. ST, Small and Marginal farmers, landless labourers with homesteads, Physically handicapped and women headed households along with BPL households w.e.f 01/04/12. SLWM has also been emphasized to be taken up in project mode for each Gram Panchayat (GP) with

financial assistance capped for a GP on number of household basis to enable all GPs to implement sustainable SLWM projects.

State has proposed following objectives under Annual Implementation Plan (AIP) for 2013-2014 as per the modified provisions of NBA:

## 3.1 Physical Objectives for 2013-14:

Components	Project Objective	Project Performance (Cumulative upto 31.1.2013)	Object for 2013- 14
IHHL (BPL)	218167	237294	17500
IHHL (APL)	632583	780492	98000
IHHL-APLs-SC	60569	0	11974
IHHL-APLs-ST	16155	0	9623
IHHL-APLs- Small and marginal farmers	89553	0	51681
IHHL-APLs- Landless labourers with homestead	2852	0	2852
IHHL-APLs- Physically handicapped	1590	0	1590
IHHL-APLs- Women headed households	25280	0	20280
Community Sanitary Complex	1229	791	302
School Toilets	20738	17293	3500
Anganwadi Toilets	10308	8528	700
Identified GPs for NGP			350

- 3.2 Financial Objectives for 2013-14: State has projected total requirement of Rs 11224.9224 Lakh from Central share. This however includes the fund requirement for APL general category also which is not as per NBA provision.
- 4. The above objectives as proposed by Himachal Pradesh was noted down for consideration subject to approval of PIP to be approved by NSSC in due course. State was also appraised of

position of toilet construction in IAY houses in the state. Against 47105 no. of houses constructed so far, toilets have been provided only for 37704 no. of houses. During 2012-13, only 1073 no. of toilets constructed out of 1059 no. of IAY houses.

Further as per census 2011, State has 310 latrines having night soil removed by humans. State has about 1792 in sanitary latrines in the State. These in-sanitary latrines need to be converted into sanitary latrine on priority basis after identification and proper survey to comply with the manual scavengers act.

5. State was requested to add IAY toilets as well as insanitary toilets including dry latrines also in the annual objectives 2013-14. As per NBA Guideline, State has identified 350 GPs for NGP this year. The marking of projected GPs as Nirmal Gram based on the conjoint approach of water and sanitation should be entered online by 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2013. It was also stated that priority to be accorded to these identified GPs, however total annual objective may also include demand from other GPs as 'demand driven approach' is the basic essence of NBA programme.

As per discussion held, State was further requested to revise some of the objectives specifically that of SLWM based on financial allocation of funds made by the Central Govt, during 2013-14 & Opening Balances as on 1/4/13. Hard copy of the revised AIP for 2013-14 signed by a senior officer should be sent by 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2013. District-wise AIP objectives for 2013-14 along with identified GPs should be entered on online Monitoring System. It was informed that the recommendation of PAC for 2013-14 shall be valid for this financial year only.

- 6. **Funding Eligibility:** Eligibility for release of funds in 2013-14 shall be finalized based on eligibility of the Districts after progress report of all the Districts as on 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2013. However the actual releases during the year 2013-2014 would be subject to:
  - Approved demand of the State.
  - Availability of funds in the budget.
  - The submission of necessary documents that is UC/ASA and certificate by the State Secretary that the Districts to which funds are proposed to be released have compiled with the conditions of release and Audit reports, Utilization Certificates and Progress Reports have been received and scrutinized.
  - The State bringing down its unspent balance to reasonable levels.
  - The fund released in the first installment shall be 50% of the amount approved in the PAC and shall be reduced by the amount of opening balance in excess of 10% of the previous year's release to the State.
- 7. During discussion, state requested to increase the amount to Rs 9-10 per household for conducting base line survey instead of Rs 10 Lakh / district restricted at present in the guideline. For dysfunctional toilets also, decision was requested to be taken. Against IAY toilets, State ensured to make progress during 2013-14.

8.	State was	requ	ested	to	accelerate	e the	progre	ess a	gainst	all	comp	onent	of N	BA s	so that	to
meet	the physic	al as	well	as	financial	objec	ctives	proj	ected	by	state.	State	was	also	asked	to
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9. At the end, state was requested to forward the PIP after completing the base line survey so that total revised project outlay can be sanctioned by NSSC.

The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.

## List of participants

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Minis	try of Drinking Water & Sa	nitation							
1,	Smt. Pratima Gupta	Director(NBA)							
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3.	Mr. Jitender Sanjta	Deputy Secretary, Rural Development Deptt, Himachal Pradesh							
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5.	Mr. Vishal Chandel	Consultant, Rural Development Deptt, Himachal Pradesh							