

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD TO DISCUSS ANNUAL IMPLEMENTATION
PLAN 2013-2014 UNDER NBA OF STATE OF KERALA IN NEW DELHI ON 11TH
MARCH, 2013**

1. A meeting to discuss **Annual Implementation Plan 2013-2014 of State of Kerala** was held at 3.30 P.M on 11/3/ 2013. The meeting was chaired by JS (Sanitation), Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation. The list of the participants is annexed.

2. At the outset, Chairman welcomed the participants and wanted to know the progress of the state in achieving Nirmal Kerala status in the year 2013. She said that the state will have to get the verification of the 19 existing non NGPs done by constituting inter district survey teams and then make a representation to the centre for Nirmal Kerala. She said that there is an urgent need to accelerate the sanitation programme and align it with 12th 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:

2.1 **Physical Progress:** As against cumulative objectives of 961831 for individual household latrines (IHHL) for BPL 111911 for IHHL for APLs, 1090 for Sanitary Complexes, 3600 for school toilets and 4957 for Anganwadi toilet, the State has achieved 982632 for individual household latrines (IHHL) for BPL, 142883 IHHL for APL, 1040 for Sanitary Complexes, 3709 for school toilets and 4989 for Anganwadi toilet,

During 2012-13, against annual objectives of 0 for individual household latrines (IHHL) for BPL 0 IHHL for APLs, 101 for Sanitary Complexes, 17 for school toilets and 322 for Anganwadi toilet, the State has achieved 4766 for individual household latrines (IHHL) for BPL, 0 IHHL for APL, 42 for Sanitary Complexes, 34 for school toilets and 270 for Anganwadi toilet.

2.2 **Financial Progress:** The State has a high opening balance of Rs 1231.82 lakh. Fund released in 2012-13 is Rs. nil lakhs. The expenditure reported of Rs. 823.61 lakhs is low as against the funds available in the year 2012-13.

3 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 Objective for 2013-14

Components	Approved Project Objective	Cumulative project performance up to 31/2/2013	Balance Objectives	Proposed Objectives for the year 2013-14
IHHL (BPL)	961831	982632	0	52694
IHHL (APL) Total	111911	142883	0	nil
IHHL (APL) Identified category				18328
Community Sanitary Complex	1090	1040	50	142
School Toilets	3600	3709	0	388
Anganwadi Toilets	4957	4949	8	360
SLWM				978
Identified GPs for Nirmal Gram	978	978	0	0

3.2 Financial Objectives for 2013-14: State has projected total requirement of Rs 7889.62 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 Kerala was noted down for consideration subject to approval of PIP to be approved by NSSC in due course. State was also apprised of position of toilet construction in IAY houses in the state. Against 400216 no. of houses constructed so far, toilets have been provided for 343454 no. of houses. During 2012-13, only 25609 no. of toilets were constructed out of 27291 nos of IAY houses.

Further as per census 2011, State has 1358 latrines having night soil removed by humans. State has 1311 latrines having night soil removed by animals. 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.

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and sanitation should be entered online by **30th 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. and upload the same in the website through online monitoring system. Hard copy of the revised AIP for **2013-14** signed by a senior officer should be sent by **30th 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 **31st 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. State was requested to accelerate the progress against all component of NBA so that to meet the physical as well as financial objectives projected by state . State was also asked to expedite progress made in by state covering all schools as per the directions of Hon'ble Supreme Court.

8. **Key issues discussed by the state:**

The state officers said that the state would request a central team to visit Kerala and declare the state as Nirmal Kerala. They said that the state would write an official communication to the central government in this regard.

Regarding convergence with MNREGA, the state said that it was not a problem in Kerala

The state requested that they be exempted from the procedure of getting inter district survey teams to verify the NGP status of 19 remaining GPs that need to be declared as ODF free

as they had declared themselves ODF free before the New NGP guidelines were introduced. The state was told that they would have to follow the NGP guidelines and get the 19 GPs that have not attained NGP status verified by constituting inter district survey teams. The state will be considered for Nirmal Status only after completing these formalities.

The state officials pointed out that out of the 14 districts in the state, eight districts are short of finances because of lack of allocation in the last financial year

The state said that it would concentrate on SLWM and would undertake the programme in all the districts. There are 978 GPs in the state and they would require funds to the tune of Rs 20 lakh per GP for achieving SLWM objectives. They said that the focus would be on developing individual household system under SLWM rather than on community management systems as SLWM in Kerala was happening at the household level.

Regarding school toilets , the state said that 48% of the schools in the state were aided schools.

Regarding coverage of Anganwadi toilets, the state said that a majority of them were in private buildings but sanitation coverage would not be an issue

9. At the end, state was requested for submission of PIP so that the total revised project outlay can be approved by NSSC and the fund can be allocated immediately.

List of participants

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2.	Smt. Pratima Gupta	Director(NBA)
3.	K.C. Sreenath	Consultant- WSP
State Government		
4	Shri V.S. Senthil	Principal Secretary, Local Self Government, Kerala
5	Shri George Chackacherry	Executive head, Suchitwa Mission, Kerala