MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD TO DISCUSS ANNUAL IMPLEMENTATION PLAN 2013-2014 UNDER NBA FOR UT OF Andaman and Nicobar Islands

- A meeting was held to discuss Annual Implementation Plan 2013-2014 of Andaman and Nicobar Islands on 4/04/2013 at 3.30 P.M. The meeting was chaired by Joint Secretary (S & A), Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation. List of Participants is annexed.
- 2. At the outset, Chairman welcomed all the participants and mentioned that during the year 2012-13, the state has made very slow progress and it remains a matter of deep concern. He further intimated about Census 2011 reporting of sanitation coverage of 61.08 %. This needs to be accelerated to 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.

No project was sanctioned for Andman & Nicobar and therefore no funds have been availed by Andman & Nicobar.

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.

3.1 Physical Objectives for 2013-14:

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The State has not submitted the AIP, however A&N has proposed PIP under NBA based on the preliminary survey conducted in all three Districts of this UT. Baseline survey in all the three districts is under process and final PIP will be submitted subsequently.

The detailed objectives based on the draft PIP are as under:

NBA component	Unit (in nos)	Proposed cost (Rs lakh) (Centre +State share)
No. of IHHLs not having toilet	23608	1204.00

No. of CSC	78	156
No. of Schools	49	18.86
No. of Angawadi Toilets	147	14.70
Solid and Liquid Waste Management	-	1357.00

Total fund against PIP projected from Central as well as from state is Rs 34.84 crore., however the above PIP is not as per the format and NBA guidelines.

- 3.2 Financial Objectives for 2013-14: No AIP submitted and therefore no financial projection for 13-14 made
- 4. As per Census 2011, State has 139 latrines having night soil removed by humans. State has 2213 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.
- 6. State was requested to add IAY toilets as well as insanitary toilets including dry latrines also in the annual objectives 2013-14. The marking of projected GPs as Nirmal Gram based on the conjoint approach of water 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 forward AIP based on financial allocation of funds made by the Central Govt, during 2013-14 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.

- 7. Funding Eligibility: Eligibility for release of funds in 2013-14 shall be finalized based on
 - 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.
- 8. During discussion, state proposed enhancement of plan assistance for construction of toilets in different categories on account of considerably higher cost of construction for all components. It was informed that the State must adopt the twin pit leach pit technology for construction of toilets which is appropriate for rural areas both in terms of low cost and conversion of faeces into manure. The State has requested that a special training programme for technology options in sanitation suitable for rural areas may be organized in the State. State also requested to financial assistance for start-up Activities and IEC,
- 9. State was requested to submit the revised AIP as per NBA guidelines. State was also asked to expedite progress made by state covering all schools as per the directions of Hon'ble Supreme Court. State was further requested to forward the PIP in the appropriate format as per guidelines after completing the base line survey so that total revised project outlay can be sanctioned by NSSC and fund can be allocated as per approved AIP 2013-14.

The meeting ended with thanks.

Annexure- I

List of participants

S.N.	Name	Designation	
Minis	try of Drinking Water & Sar	nitation	
1	Shri Saraswati Prasad	Joint Secretary(Sanitation)	
2.	Urvashi Prasad	Consultant, SSHE	
3.	Junaid Usmani	Consultant, M&E	
State (Government		
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