## No. W-11042/16/2010-Water Government of India Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation

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Subject:

National Rural Drinking Water Security Pilot Project – Field visit of Meta Meta Consultant of WS, World Bank – Co-operation of

State department officials - requested - regarding

Dear

As you are aware, the National Rural Drinking Water Security Pilot Project is being implemented in 15 Blocks across 10 States under the NRDWP. Implementation of this Project is being monitored periodically through reports and national level review meetings.

One of the major objectives of this Pilot Project is to build capacities at the Gram Panchayat and Block level to plan and implement water security plans for which knowledge in ground water management aspects is very critical. Under this project exposure visits cum training at the Andhra Pradesh Former Managed Ground Water System (APFAMGS) at Madanapally in Chitoor District of Andhra Pradesh and village level water budgeting training program are conducted with the help of the Water and Sanitation Program (WSP) of the World Bank.

In order to strengthen our efforts in building capacities at the village level for effective ground water management, the WSP has hired an International firm, M/s MetaMeta to design and implement a Ground Water Management Training Program in all the 15 Pilot Blocks. This firm has in its team both international and national subject experts.

M/s. MetaMeta will first conduct a Training Needs Assessment (TNA) for which they will be visiting selected pilot blocks for filed level assessment. Other pilot blocks will be requested to respond to a questionnaire. The data will be used to identify training needs, based on which a comprehensive training module will be prepared in local languages. M/s. MetaMeta will then conduct a five day training programs in each of the pilot blocks for locally selected core team. The core team members are then expected to function as master trainers in their respective Blocks, providing training to teams in each Gram Panchayat. The initial preparatory work (training need assessment and preparation of training modules) will be completed by May 2014 and the training programs are likely to begin from June 2014.

Therefore. I request you to instruct the concerned officials of Rural Water Supply Department / PHED / Jal Board in charge of this Pilot Project to extend necessary cooperation and inputs to the consultants i.e. M/s. Meta Meta as and when approached for needs assessment and / or for developing the training modules.

With regards

Yours sincerely

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To

The Principal Secretary / Secretaries in -charge of Rural Drinking Water and Sanitation, Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Haryana, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Punjab, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu & Uttar Pradesh

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- iii) Engineers in-Chief in charge of Rural Water Supply in all 10 States
- iv) State Nodal Officers, Pilot Projects
- v) Mr. Juan Costain, Team leader, WSP-SA

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