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Dated the 2nd July, 2014

Dear *Madam/Sir.*

As you aware that the primary focus of this Ministry under NRDWP programme is to provide drinking water facility through piped water connection within the premises to all rural house holds in the country. As such while designing and executing the new rural water supply schemes it is requested that pipe water supply to **Anganwadis, rural schools and offices of Gram Panchayats** be given top priority. This matter has also been discussed during Annual Action Plan meetings with the States and is being reiterated for compliance.

With *Regards,*

Yours sincerely,
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/ 2/7/14
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To

All Principal Secretaries of Rural Water Supply in the State

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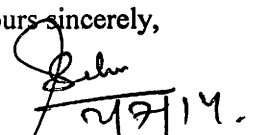
I am inviting your kind attention to the poor state of sanitation in the rural schools in our country. As per DISE data there are about 14.5 lakhs schools imparting elementary education in the country and it has been reported that in many of the schools, girls are not able to use the sanitation amenities provided in the school premises due to non-availability of tap water connection to the schools. As availability of water in the school premises is a primary requirement, it is incumbent upon the State Government to provide this basic facility to all schools in the country.

2. Under NRDWP States have been instructed to give priority to this aspect while designing and executing water supply systems. However, the achievements so far have not been very satisfactory. Forty seven percent of the rural households in the country have piped water supply connection within hundred metres of their premises. However, it has been reported that only 15 percent of rural schools are covered with piped water supply.

3. In this connection there is an urgent need to dovetail/ converge resources from other Government schemes like BRGF, MPLAD/MLALAD, and also from CSR fund of profit making PSUs/companies if the goal of providing piped water connection to all rural schools is to be achieved. Principal Secretaries of concerned department of State have also been requested to cover Anganwadis and schools while designing/executing new water supply schemes for different habitations.

4. It is, therefore, requested that provision of hundred percent piped water supply to all the rural schools be accorded top priority in your State. Suitable instructions may kindly be issued to all concerned departments in your state for convergence of schemes, systems and funds to achieve this within a suitable timeframe.

With Regards,

Yours sincerely,

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To

All Chief Secretaries of the States

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