To

Secretary,
Public Works Department,
Puducherry Administration
Secretariat,
Puducherry-605001

Sub: Minutes of the meeting held on 02.03.2017 at Pt. Deendayal Antyodaya Bhawan, New Delhi to discuss NRDWP Annual Action Plan – 2017-18 in respect of Puducherry

Sir / Madam,

This undersigned is directed to send a copy of minutes of the meeting held to discuss NRDWP Annual Action Plan 2017-18 in respect of Puducherry on 02.03.2017 at Pt. Deendayal Antyodaya Bhawan, New Delhi for further action.

Yours Faithfully,

(A.K.Srivastava)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

Encl: As above

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Technical Director (NIC) for hosting the minutes on Ministry’s website.
The Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation has conducted an NRDWP Annual Action Plan meeting for the year 2017-18 with the official of Union Territory, Puducherry on 02/03/2017 in the Conference Room, 4th Floor, Pt. Deendayal Antodya Bhawan, CGO Complex, New Delhi. The meeting was chaired by Shri Rajesh Kumar, Director (Water), Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation (GoI). The list of the participants is given in Annexure.

The summary of the discussions is as follows:

a. Dir (Water) informed that an amount of Rs. 83.47 Lakh was allocated to Union Territory, Puducherry for the financial year 2016-17 but no funds has been released so far due to non-submission of proper Utilization Certificate by UT. It was informed that the State of Puducherry will be allocated tentatively Rs. 81.59 lakh (excluding MDI) for NRDWP during 2017-18 as per existing guidelines. UT should make the Annual Action Plan accordingly. The UT was advised to plan for the year 2017-18 taking into account the unspent balance available at the end of the financial year 2016-17, if any.

b. Dir (Water), emphasized Ministry’s focus on completion of ongoing drinking water supply schemes in the decreasing order of physical completion stage. The State official was advised to focus on the completion of last mile scheme i.e. 100% physically completed and financially uncompleted followed by 75%-100% physically completed Drinking Water Supply Schemes and subsequently on other schemes. New water supply schemes are allowed only in SAGY GPs, Verified ODF villages and for water quality affected habitations (Fluoride/Arsenic) and Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE) schemes. The Centre share of funds will not be utilized for the schemes > to <25% physically completed schemes. State Government may fund these schemes from their own sources.

c. State official was informed by officials of MoDWS that-

(i) opening balance for the financial year 2017-18 should not be more than 10% of the total released funds of 2016-17. The allocation of funds for the next
financial year will be determined taking into account the carry over balance of funds of previous FY 2016-17. Therefore, State officials were advised to make all possible efforts to minimize the carry over balance of funds to the next FY;

(ii) while funds are released to the State during the next financial year, a list of schemes will be attached with the release order for utilizing the funds specific to the individual schemes. It will facilitate the UT to achieve the targets utilizing the funds only for that specific project to which the funds are released;

(iii) a statement for the financial year 2016-17 showing the completion of number of water supply schemes, number of habitations and number of population benefited under the schemes completed should be furnished to Ministry as early as possible;

(iv) the requirement of funds under NRDWP should be furnished along-with requisite documents as per time schedule;

(v) Geo-Tagging of assets is mandatory from the current AAP period for the release of funds to states/UTs. Geo-Tagging be done on all possible components of the Piped Water Supply Schemes such as Source, Water Treatment Plant, Storage Tanks, Stand posts and Major nodes in conveying pipe network etc.

d. During deliberation, State official brought out that-

(i) There is no water quality issue in the Union Territory of Puducherry;
(ii) Under Sansad Adarsh Gram Yojana (SAGY), two village Sellipet & Karayamputhur have already been provided with PWS and Household connections under UT fund;
(iii) Under UT fund, the entire rural 153 habitations in Puducherry region have been provided with PWS and House hold connections including schools & Aganwadies.
(iv) The 18 habitations shown as partially covered in the IMIS is erroneously entered and the same may please be deleted by Ministry;
(v) NABL accreditation has been obtained for the Water Testing Laboratory, Puducherry;
(vi) Only one project “Comprehensive Water Supply Scheme for Kodathur Village in Mannadipet Commune, Puducherry” is near to complete and will be completed by Jun 2017. There is no other ongoing scheme in UT;
(vii) No new works are sanctioned in 2016-17;
(viii) The water is supplied three times in a day at least 70 lpcd per household.

e. Dir (Water) advised the UT official to make a formal request for correction in the entry as “nil” in place of 18 habitations shown as partially covered in the IMIS.

f. After deliberation on the Annual Action Plan (AAP) for 2017-18, UT official was advised to make AAP for the Financial Year 2017-18 at par with FY 2016-17 under NRDWP for the UT, Puducherry.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to and from the Chair.
PARTICIPATING OFFICIALS TO DISCUSS NRDWP ANNUAL ACTION PLAN (2017-18) FOR UNION TERRITORY PUDUCHERRY

DATE OF MEETING: 02/08/2017

Venue: Conference Room, 4th Floor, MoDWS, Pt. Deendayal Antodya Bhawan, CGO Complex, New Delhi.

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