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To

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

Subject: Release of funds to the Support Organisations for the National Rural Drinking Water Pilot Projects (NRDWPP) from the States.

Dear Sir,

As you are aware, Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation is promoting the National Drinking Water Security Pilot Projects in over-exploited blocks in various States, including your State.

The progress of implementation of the Drinking Water Security Pilot Project in 15 over-exploited blocks in various States was reviewed at the recently held National review workshop, attended by officers concerned with implementation of National Drinking Water Security Pilot Projects from the States, at Chandigarh, by the Director, MDWS from 8-9th April 2013.

It is been observed that even after the review workshop, some of the immediate action points have not been met by some of the States. One of such action points was to streamline the process of evaluation of the issues related to the remuneration to the Support Organisation in Pilot Blocks, at the earliest.

It has come to notice of the Ministry that even though the funds have been allocated for carrying out the work under the project from NRDWP Support Fund, the payment to the Support Organizations are currently highly delayed, which is affecting the work in the field. We have received such information from many States including Haryana, Rajasthan, Andhra Pradesh (Anantpur & Nalgonda) and Uttar Pradesh (Jhansi).

It is, therefore, requested that the Engineer-in-Chief, State Nodal Officers and Executive Engineers of the identified blocks be directed to evaluate and release the payment of amounts due to the Support Organisation and to ensure that the Project preparation work is carried out in right earnest.

Yours faithfully,

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- 2. Joint Secretary (Water), Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation, Govt of India
- 3. District Collectors/District Magistrate of selected Districts in 10 States
- 4. Engineers-in-Chief in charge of Rural Water Supply in all States
- 5. State Nodal Officers, Pilot Projects
- 6. Mr. Juan Costain, Team leader, WSPSA
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