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*Dear Shri Pankaj Jain,*

Kindly refer to your D.O. letter No.2/2/S/(DWS)/2014 dated

23.6.2014.

I acknowledge the receipt of your communication and assure you of appropriate action.

*With best regards*

Yours sincerely,

*Kaushal*  
(Sarvesh Kaushal)

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**Sh. Pankaj Jain,**  
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D.O. No. 2/2/S(DWS)/2014  
25th June 2014

Dear Shri Prakash,

You will perhaps be aware that attaining 'Swachh Bharat' is priority item of the Government. In this connection the following priorities become very important:

- ❖ **A tap connection at every rural household:** At present the piped coverage is 47% whereas the tap connections inside the rural households as reported on the IMIS of this Ministry is only 15%. There are reports of illegal tapping connections into the household to avoid payment of connection charges as well as to avoid monthly user charges. In this connection I would request to kindly gear up the machinery so that the population of 32% (47-15%) are nudged to take tapped connections in their houses by paying connection charges to PHED/Jal Nigam or Panchayats, as the case may be and also paying the monthly water user charges. This will strengthen the Panchayats so that they are able to maintain water assets properly. This should be an achievable task within next 1-2 months on a Mission Mode by sensitizing the DMs and PHED/Jal Nigam/Panchayati Raj Departments.
- ❖ **The pace of construction of individual toilets as well as community toilets as well as Solid Waste Management** needs to be stepped up. Funds are available from Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan (NBA) and MGNREGA. In order to practically achieve 'Swachh Bharat' within a short time, I would request that we monitor this at every level and at least achieve double what was achieved last year.
- ❖ **You may consider, in consultation with Companies and PSUs, in your State to urgently construct community toilets through CSR, at least one in each block, which would**

need to be maintained for 5 to 7 years by the sponsoring Company/PSU where after it may handed over to Panchayat.

❖ **Similarly, from CSR you may like to get Companies/PSUs to sponsor RO plants in rural areas** which can be maintained from 5 to 7 years by the sponsoring companies where after they may be handed over to Panchayats.

2. This Ministry is very keen to implement 'Swachh Bharat' in every rural habitation. Therefore, your intervention and direct monitoring with the implementing agencies is crucial.

3. A report on your monitoring may kindly be sent to us every fortnight.

With regards

Yours sincerely,

  
(Pankaj Jain)

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Dear Shri Pariat,

As you know, Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation is implementing two flagship programmes namely Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan (NBA) and National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP). Under the programmes we are mandated to provide potable drinking water to all rural households as well as toilets.

2. However, it is seen that construction of individual toilets and providing household tap connections is not picking up to the desired level due to lack of awareness motivation at the village level. Since we have limited staff at Junior Engineer/Block Resource Centre at the block level that too in limited blocks, Gram Panchayat functionaries like Anganwadi workers, ASHA workers, village level workers, Gram Rojgar Sewak may be asked to motivate the people for construction of toilets in their house and also to take a tap connection by paying the connection charges and regular monthly charges.

3. I would request you to direct State Secretaries in charge of Rural Drinking Water and Rural Sanitation to send their officials to attend Gram Sabha meetings, so that proper sensitization can be done and also to get feed back. These steps are urgently necessary to create a Swachh Bharat.

With regards

Yours sincerely,

  
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Dear Shri Pariat,

As you know, Government of India under its new Financial Management System is releasing funds to the State Finance Department directly both for its two flagship programmes namely Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan (NBA) and National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP).

2. In the sanction order we have categorically mentioned to kindly ensure release/transfer of the amount to the implementing agency(s) along with matching State share within 15 days of its receipt. In case of non-transfer of funds within this period, Central Government may be constrained to stop further releases to the state. Some implementing departments in various States have expressed their apprehension that they may not get funds in time from the State Finance Department thereby delaying implementation. As you are aware, subsequent release of funds, as per guidelines of Government of India, there will be no release in the absence of required documents like Utilization Certificate, Audited Statement of Accounts etc, so any delayed release by State Finance Department to implementing agenc(ies) and delayed implementation is likely to affect further releases from this Ministry.

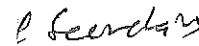
3. Under the above circumstances I would urge upon you to advise the State Finance Department to release funds both under NBA and NRDWP to the implementing agency(s) as and when funds are released by us and definitely within 15 days so that there is smooth execution of the projects.

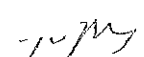
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D.O. No. 2/2/Secy (DWS)/2014  
Dated : 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 2014

Dear,

I am enclosing a copy of the latest advisory on the south-west monsoon season (June-September).

2. In view of the likelihood of a deficient monsoon, this is to urge that your State may step up activities immediately **on rain water harvesting through our sustainability funds in National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP)**, in addition to any efforts in this regard which may be made on rain water harvesting under MGNREGA. In this regard, a copy of DO letter No. T-21015/1/2014-6W dated 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2014 from Shri Alók Rawat, Secretary, Ministry of Water Resources on Rain Water Harvesting Model Design for consideration under MGNREGA funded Projects addressed to all Chief Secretaries is also enclosed.

3. The progress in this regard out of Sustainability Funds under NRDWP may be reported on this Ministry's Integrated Management Information System (IMIS).

4. Reports of Progress of rain water harvesting work under MGNREGA would continue to be reported to Ministry of Rural Development and not to us.

With regards,

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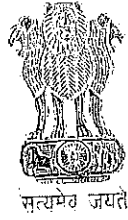
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As reported in the Hindustan Times today (copy enclosed), a study by Diane Coffey and Dean Spears has shown that their research team had surveyed over 3000 rural households about the nation's sanitation behaviour and found that in four Northern Indian States almost half the households are having a working toilet yet had at least one household member who defecated in the open.

2. You will no doubt agree that open defecation in India is a national shame as 65% of rural India defecates in the open and India contributes to 60% of the world open defecators and the position is worse than poorer nations & even our neighbors.

3. In order to achieve 'Swachh Bharat', it is clear that not only a toilet is to be made available to every individual household but, more important, the people have to be educated about the importance of using the toilets. The author have also commented that we don't need the Government to build the toilet in every house; what India needs is toilet use revolution.

4. I would request that on the lines of Pulse Polio Workers going door-to-door to convince people to accept vaccines, a campaign by every State to end open defecation through a work force including volunteers, casual workers, students and regular staff drawn from sister departments to educate people about the importance of using a toilet may urgently be initiated under intimation to this Ministry. We are all aware that open defecation leads to stunting, diarrhoea and other deceases due to spread of infection through food and water, hence this urgency.

5. I would request you to take a monthly review on the construction and use of rural toilets every month under your offices so that the dream of 'Swachh Bharat' is fully achieved by 2019 – the

150<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi. These toilets could be constructed by beneficiary themselves or using NBA funds or MNREGA funds or State funds, but the important message through Inter Personal Communication (IPC) should be that built toilets must be used.

With regards

Yours sincerely,  
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1. Copy to Joint Committee including third party assessment on the use of toilets randomly in any state(s) and also for launching a massive campaign of awareness both at Central and State levels.

2. Copy also to JS (Stat)

  
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