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Swachh Bharat Mission (Grameen)

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To

The Addl. Chief Secretaries/Principal Secretaries/Secretaries,
In-charge of rural sanitation,
All States/UTs

Subject: Hiring of Programme Management Unit (PMU) under Swachh Bharat Mission (Grameen) [SBM(G)] at State and District levels - reg.

Madam/Sir,

This is with reference to the letter of even number dated the 2nd February, 2021 vide which States/UTs were allowed to hire Programme Management Unit (PMU), as necessary, using the 'IEC and Capacity Building' funds also. This was allowed as an **additional provision** to help States engage services of technical experts to support rollout of ODF Plus activities particularly SLWM. However, it has come to notice that in some States, PMUs are being hired to replace the existing staff with rich experience of program implementation.

3. In this regard, it is clarified that *allowing hiring of PMUs is not intended for replacement of the existing Staff / Consultants working for SBMG in the State and District units.* This has been allowed *as an additional provision* to help States engage services of technical experts. And even during hiring of PMU for additional staff, a conscious attempt must be made to engage technical resources with experience of working in / for Swachh Bharat Mission and related programs. This may also be brought to the notice of the District administration to enable them to take appropriate action in this regard.

Yours faithfully,



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