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Dear Sir/Madam

UNICEF India in partnership with Administrative Staff College of India, Hyderabad (ASCI) is developing the WASH in Schools (WinS) Leadership Course for Water and Sanitation professionals in the country. The formal launch of the course is scheduled in Delhi for August 6, 2013 at the Park, New Delhi-15, Parliament Street, New Delhi 110 001. The duration of the course is August 6 – 9, 2013 (4 days).

This WinS Leadership Course is expected to contribute to addressing the capacity gap through the rapid provision of quality education, training and learning products at a scale that will make a significant difference. The course will provide the most desired momentum to the sanitation programme in your states.

The course builds on global experience from a distance e-learning course, developed through collaboration between the Centre for Global Safe Water based at the Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University, Atlanta, US and UNICEF, New York. The course aims to develop a cadre of professionals in the country from the water, sanitation and education sectors in the Government and from the other related sectors who can plan, manage, monitor, sustain and document WASH in Schools programme. India is one of the first countries to adapt and contextualize this peer-reviewed global course for a national audience

At the end of the course, participants gain exposure on national and global best practices through a certified course and will have an opportunity to work on District Action plans, aimed at improving WASH in Schools in the District.

You are therefore requested to:

i. Select the Districts for representation in this course; this should come from both Districts which are doing well on sanitation programmes and those which are poorly performing

ii. Nominate the District Collectors from these Districts for the Course. – a total of two from each State

iii. Nominate four District Sanitation Coordinators for the entire duration of 4 days. (Aug. 6 – 9, 2013)

iv. Nominate the State Sanitation Coordinator for the entire duration of 4 days

It is expected that the Secretaries of the Department and the District Collectors will attend the Course for Day 1 (a specific capsule has been developed for the purpose) and all the other participants will attend the Course for all the 4 days.

Colleagues from the UNICEF State offices would be working closely with you for any further assistance and information in this regard.

Please find attached a concept note on the course for your reference.

With regards

Yours sincerely,

(Saraswati Prasad)

To

All the State Secretaries in-charge of rural Sanitation

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