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To

Principal Secretaries/ Secretaries
in-charge of RWS in the States of Andhra Pradesh,
Gujarat, Haryana, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh,
Maharashtra, Punjab, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh

Subject: Minutes of the meeting held on 10.1.2011 at New Delhi to discuss Pilot Project for over-exploited blocks of selected States

Sir/ Madam,

A meeting regarding pilot demonstration projects in 10 over-exploited blocks in the country was held on 10.1.2011 under the Chairmanship of Joint Secretary (DWS), Department of Drinking Water & Sanitation, Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India. The proceedings of the meeting are enclosed for further action.


2. It is suggested that the following follow-up action be taken by the States:

- i) Response to the ToR for the engagement of Support Organisations to be submitted to this Department by the States by 30.1.2011. A copy of the ToR was given to the representatives of the States who attended the meeting. The same is also placed on the website of the Department – www.ddws.nic.in under the heading “Whats New”
- ii) A meeting at the district level of the selected blocks be organized within the month of mid January to end February, 2011 regarding the Pilot Project in which the stakeholders, who shall be involved in the implementation of the project be present. Representatives of WSP in New Delhi as well as D/o DW&S may also be invited for the same. A list of WSP representatives as Team Lead for support to States is attached. A tentative schedule for the district level meetings is given below subject to modification by the States:

S.No.	States	Districts	Tentative Date of meeting
1.	Andhra Pradesh	Anantpur, Nalgonda, Chittoor	24.2.2011
2.	Gujarat	Mehsana	21.1.2011
3.	Haryana	Kaithal	23.2.2011

4.	Karnataka		
5.	Madhya Pradesh	Chattarpur	2.3.2011
6.	Maharashtra	Amravati	29.1.2011
7.	Punjab	Sangrur	25.2.2011
8.	Rajasthan	Jhunjhunu, Bhilwara, Jodhpur	10 & 11.2.2011
9.	Tamil Nadu	Dharmapuri	10.2.2011
10.	Uttar Pradesh	Not available	-

Yours faithfully,


[Sujoy Mojumdar]
Director (DWS)

Copy to: 1. All participants of the meeting
2. All Area Officers, D/o DW&S

**Proceedings of the meeting to discuss the Pilot Project for
Over-Exploited blocks of 8 States in the country held on 10.1.2011 at New Delhi.**

A meeting was held on 10.1.2011 under the Chairmanship of Joint Secretary (DWS), Department of Drinking Water Supply & Sanitation to discuss the proposed pilot projects for selected over-exploited blocks in the country. The list of participants of the meeting is annexed.

2. Joint Secretary (DWS) gave an overall view of the pilot programme and the objectives behind it. He clarified that the pilot programme was being proposed with the objective of achieving drinking water security in a holistic manner through a multi-pronged approach consisting of –

- i) Participatory integrated water resources planning and management by the Gram Panchayat.
- ii) Measures for source sustainability through convergence of NRDWP with other Government of India schemes like MNREGS and Integrated Watershed Management Programme.
- iii) Preparation of drinking water security plans by the villages.

To achieve the above objective, it was stressed that new concepts like aquifer management planning, use of HGM maps for locating sustainability structures, planning by involving local rural communities which may involve training of PRIs and villagers, water budgeting etc. are to be used. Examples were also given of projects in States like Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu and Chhattisgarh which have done significant work using the above method.

3. Director (DWS) clarified that the software component of the pilot programme is to be financially supported from the 5% Support Fund under the NRDWP that is available with the State Governments. It has been approximately estimated that about Rs. 1 crore per block shall be spent on the software activities over 3 years. For the hardware work, the schemes/ activities proposed have to be funded under the NRDWP (Sustainability) and coverage funds and by converging with MNREGS and other schemes.

4. Shri JVR Murty of WSP made a presentation on the outlines of the programme and how the States should go about preparing for the same. He detailed the phase-wise work that has to be taken up by the States (photocopy attached)

5. State Government representatives gave the names of the blocks in which they intend to carry out this project. The names of the blocks as informed by them in the meeting are as below:

Name of State	District	Block
Andhra Pradesh	Anantpur	Not intimated
	Nalgonda	Not intimated
	Chittoor	Not intimated
Gujarat	Mehsana	Kheralu
Karnataka	Kolar	Mulbagal
Tamil Nadu	Dharmapuri	Morappur
Punjab	Sangrur	Duni
Rajasthan	Jhunjhunu	Chirwara
	Bhilwara	Raipur
	Jodhpur	Osian
Haryana	Kaithal	Kaithal
Madhya Pradesh	Chattarpur	Rajnagar

The State of Uttar Pradesh has not finalized the name of the block and Andhra Pradesh was not represented in the meeting. Maharashtra did not attend, but they have selected Amravati district for the project.

6. In addition to the above information, various States like Gujarat, Punjab, Tamil Nadu gave an overview of their experience in carrying out sustainability works in their States. The main point that was being repeatedly emphasized was that the withdrawal of groundwater for agricultural use has become excessive in the rural areas. This is resulting in depletion of groundwater at a very fast rate. It was however appreciated by all that the concept of people's participation in the entire planning exercise is an essential way to manage demand for water and any scheme can only be successful if control by society is exercised.

7. The draft Terms of Reference (ToR) for the engagement of support organizations who shall support the village /Gram Panchayat/ blocks to prepare and implement drinking water security plan was distributed to the participants. The States were asked to submit their comments on the draft ToR by 30.1.2011. In addition, a copy of the handbook for Gram Panchayat for managing drinking water schemes was given to the representatives of each State. It was also decided that representatives of each State who have attended the current meeting shall be the nodal officer for the purpose of this project in their State. WSP representatives and D/o DW&S shall be in contact with these officers.

8. The States were also requested to organize district level meeting for all the appropriate functionaries of the block in which the pilot project is intended to be implemented. It was proposed that in these meetings representatives of WSP as well as Area Officers of D/o DW&S shall be present. JS (DWS) suggested that DDWS would send a tentative schedule for holding the meetings subject to modification by the States.

**List of Participants in the meeting to discuss Pilot Project on
Over-Exploited blocks held on 10.1.2011 at New Delhi**

S.No.	Name & Designation	Organisation
1.	Shri T.M. Vijay Bhaskar, Jt. Secretary	D/o DW&S
2.	Shri R.M. Deshpande, Addl. Adviser	D/o DW&S
3.	Shri Sujoy Mojumdar, Director	D/o DW&S
4.	Shri D. Rajasekhar, Deputy Adviser	D/o DW&S
5.	Shri Ved Prakash, Sr. Consultant	D/o DW&S
6.	Shri Prabhakar H. Chini, Chief Engineer	PR&RD Dept. Bangalore, Karnataka
7.	Shri N.P. Verma, Hydro-geologist	PHED, Jaipur, Rajasthan
8.	Shri Anoop Thareja, Hydro-geologist	PHED, Drilling Division, Jaipur
9.	Shri R.N. Sukla, Hydro-geologist	WASMO, Gandhinagar, Gujarat
10.	Shri M.C. Rathod, Suptd. Hydro-geologist	GWS&SB, Gandhinagar, Gujarat
11.	Shri K.K. Yadav, Director	WSSO, PHED, Haryana
12.	Dr. S.V. Vinobha, Dy. Hydro-geologist	TWAD Board, Chennai
13.	Shri Pugazhendi V, Asstt. Hydro-geologist	TWAD Board, Chennai
14.	Shri J.V.R. Murty, Water & San. Specialist	WSP-SA
15.	Shri Nick Pilgrim, Water & San. Specialist	WSP-SA
16.	Shri Christophe Prevost, W&S Specialist	WSP-SA
17.	Shri Suseel Samuel, Water & San. Specialist	WSP-SA
18.	Shri M. Kullappa, Water & San. Specialist	WSP-SA
19.	Shri D.S. Cheema, Supdt. Engineer	WS & Sanition Deptt., Punjab
20.	Shri H.S. Gond, Supdt. Engineer	PHED, Sagar, M.P.
21.	Shri Rajesh Mittal, Executive Engineer	U.P. Jal Nigam, Ghaziabad, U.P
22.	Shri M.S. Khare, Executive Engineer	PHED, Morene (Gwalior), M.P
23.	Shri D. Masulkar, Executive Engineer	PHED, Chhatarpur, M.P

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Water Security Pilot Program

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