



**Minutes of the Meeting to discuss the NRDWP Annual Action Plan (2016-17) of
"RAJASTHAN" State**

1. The Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation conducted an NRDWP Annual Action Plan meeting for the year 2016-17 with the officials of RAJASTHAN State on 15/03/2016 in the Conference Room, 4th Floor, Paryavaran Bhawan, CGO Complex, New Delhi. The meeting was chaired by Shri Parameswaran Iyer, Secretary (MoDWS), GoI. The list of the participants is given in Annexure.

2. **The summary of the discussion is as follows:**

- i. **It was informed that the State of RAJASTHAN has been allocated Rs. 609.59 crore under NRDWP during 2016-17. This allocation excludes the incentive for devolution of schemes under MDI (Management Devolution Index) which would be informed to the State shortly. Accordingly, the targets, which were shown by the State during AAP meeting, should be revised and submitted in hard copy as well as soft copy to the Ministry for approval.** Higher contribution of State share would be appreciated to maintain more inflow of fund to this sector. The state was advised to plan for the year 2016-17 taking into account of the unspent balance available at the end of the financial year 2015-16, if any.
- ii. Joint Secretary (Water), pointed towards Ministry's focus on completion of Ongoing least cost balance drinking water supply schemes, Coverage of Water Quality affected habitations (special attention to Arsenic and Fluoride contaminated habitations), Coverage of habitations under Saansad Adarsh Gram Yojana (**SAGY**), Enhancement of Piped water supply and Individual household tap water connections in the rural households. The State officials were advised to categorize the all pending drinking water schemes on completion basis viz. 0%-25%, 25%-50%, 50%-75% and 75%-100%; and to focus on the completion of last mile (least balance cost) ongoing schemes (>75% work done). **New water schemes are allowed in SAGY and for water quality affected habitations (Fluoride/Arsenic) only.**
- iii. Joint Secretary (Water) reviewed the target and achievements of the state for year 2015-16 by the different AAP Formats provided by the State during the AAP meeting. Which is as follows:



| S. No. | Particulars | Target for 2015-16 | Achievement 2015-16 (up to Feb, 2016) | Ach. in % |
|--------|---|--------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| 1. | Partially covered habitations* | 800 | 536 | 67.00 % |
| 2. | Quality Affected Habitations* | 1163 | 536 | 46.08 % |
| 3. | Coverage of Habitations under Piped Water Supply* | 1869 | 1153 | 61.69 % |
| 4. | Individual household coverage* | - | 24165 | - |

* IMIS figure.

- iv.** The state officials informed that to cover the remaining 21,091 WQ affected habitations state requires huge fund up to the tune of Rs. 50,000 cr. to execute the project based on distant sustainable surface sources. At present, state is implementing 59 major water supply projects for coverage of 77 towns, 11998 villages and 10834 dhanies for a sanctioned cost of Rs. 24,598 Crore. There are 21,707 habitations having water quality problems, out of these 90% are located in Desert Districts in the state.
- v.** It was advised to the state to take up more surface based PWS schemes. The state officials informed that the state govt. has accorded priority to the sector of major piped water supply schemes by allocating about 70% of available programme fund for such schemes, while remaining 30 % is used for other rural water supply schemes. Out of total 112 sanctioned projects, 107 are surface based in the state.
- vi.** The state officials informed that at present about 51% of rural population is provided with PWS and about 17.91% of rural houses are covered with individual household connections.
- vii.** On matter pertaining to coverage of Fluoride affected habitations, state officials informed that in FY 2015-16 2115 RO and 346 DFU (solar based) has been sanctioned in the state. Further, work orders for 1066 ROs and 346 DFUs (solar based) has been issued in Feb, 2016. The work is under progress and is expected to be completed by Feb, 2017.
- viii.** On matter about the ongoing pws scheme more than 5 years old, state official informed that every efforts are being made to complete these schemes at the earliest possible by consistent review with field staff of the state.
- ix.** It was informed by the state that, to cover the small far flung/un electrified habitations, 1045 solar based pumping units were sanctioned and work order is being issued for 856 such units.



- x. The state official informed that intensive campaign for awareness of masses in rural areas about water conservation, ground water recharge and rain water harvesting is being done by the state's WSSO team.
- xi. The state was advised to utilize the NITI Ayog's Fund of Rs. **431.29** crore, which is exclusively released for mitigation of Arsenic and Fluoride affected habitations. JS (W) advised the state to provide at least 8-10 litre of Safe drinking water to these rural habitations affected by fluoride contamination on priority basis.
- xii. On matter pertaining to new water supply schemes, officials from the Ministry clarified that augmentation and O & M can be taken up using NRDWP funds, only new water supply schemes are not permitted except for areas under SAGY and Water Quality affected habitations (Fluoride/Arsenic).
- xiii. Emphasizing upon the conjoint approach of the Ministry on water and sanitation, JS (Water) informed the officials of the State that if the State performs well in elimination of Open Defecation, it would be rewarded for piped water supply scheme.
- xiv. Joint Secretary (W) informed to state that the Ministry is going to launch "**National Rural Drinking Water & Sanitation Awareness Week**" during **16th to 22nd March, 2016**. Joint Secretary (W) advised the state to plan for successful campaigning of the National Rural Drinking Water & Sanitation Awareness Week in the State.
- xv. The state was advised to update the IMIS data regularly.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to and from the Chair.



**Participating Officials to discuss NRDWP Annual Action Plan (2016-17) for
RAJASTHAN State**

Date of Meeting: 15/03/2016

Venue: Conference Room, 4th Floor, MoDWS, Parvavaran Bhawan, CGO Complex, New Delhi.

Officials from Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation

| S. No. | Name | Designation |
|---------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. | Shri Parameswaran Iyer | Secretary (MoDWS) |
| 2. | Shri Satyabrata Sahu | Joint Secretary (Water) |
| 3. | Shri Rajesh Kumar | Director (Water) |
| 4. | Shri N. M. Solan | Deputy Advisor (Water) |

Officials from Government of RAJASTHAN

| S. No. | Name | Designation |
|---------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| 1. | Shri S. C. Mohanty | Pr. Secretary, PHED |
| 2. | Shri Akhil Jain | Chief Engineer |
| 3. | Shri Ajay Shaka | Executive Engineer |
