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Government of India
Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation
(Water Quality Section)

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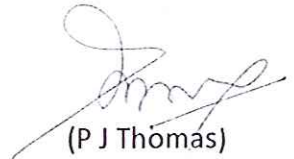
Dated, the 7th March, 2018

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Minutes of the JE-AES meeting held on 29th January, 2018 to carry a survey to find extent of contamination of drinking water sources in 60 affected Districts.

I am directed to forward the Minutes of the JE-AES meeting under the Chairmanship of Joint Secretary (Water) held on 29th January, 2018 to carry a survey to find extent of contamination of drinking water sources in 60 affected Districts at Pt. Deendaya Antyodaya Bbawan, CGO Complex, New Delhi for kind information and necessary action/compliance by all the concerned.

Encl: as above



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Section Officer (WQ)

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To

1. All officers who attended the meeting
(As per the list in the Annexure)
2. Principal Secretary or Secretary-in-charge/Engineer-in-Chief/Chief Chemist of Rural Drinking Water Supply in the states of:
Assam / Bihar / Tamil Nadu / Uttar Pradesh / West Bengal.
3. All Area Officers, Water Division.
4. Shri. Shiv Kumar, Programmer, NIC Cell. (for uploading minutes on to website)

Minutes of the JE-AES meeting held on 29th January, 2018 to carry a survey to find extent of contamination of drinking water sources in 60 affected Districts

The JE-AES meeting was held on 29th January, 2018 in Pt. Deendayal Antyodaya Bhawan, CGO Complex, New Delhi under the Chairmanship of Joint Secretary (Water) to carry a survey to find extent of contamination of drinking water sources in 60 affected districts. The list of participants is given in Annexure.

2. At the outset, Joint Secretary (Water) explained that the current allocation of funds to JE-AES affected States was on the basis of the number of drinking water sources in rural area of these districts, as entered on Integrated Management Information System (IMIS) of the Ministry as on 01st April, 2011, and extent of contamination as per Multi-District Assessment of Water Safety survey conducted by the UNICEF in these States. Recently Ministry had revised NRDWP guidelines and it was decided to allocate funds to JE-AES affected States after conducting a fresh survey in this respect. As previous survey was conducted by UNICEF, UNICEF is requested to conduct a fresh survey in these States so that Ministry can allocate the funds to States at the earliest based on survey report. But UNICEF has informed there constraints to carry detailed survey.

3. It was explained that, the meeting was called to finalize the modality to carry the fresh survey.

4. **After detailed deliberations, following decisions were taken:-**

a) UNICEF to provide overall co-ordination, technical guidance, sample design, supportive supervision and final report preparation etc.

b) It was decided to carry the survey in the month of June and July 2018. UNICEF will submit a report on or before 15th August, 2018.

c) Each state will prepare detailed plans to conduct the tests in their respective field water testing laboratories, and will provide source wise testing data in the format created for the purpose in the NRDWP IMIS. All the costs related to collecting samples, testing the samples for microbiological assessment & other consumables etc. is to be borne by the concerned State Government from WQMS funds available for this purpose. All data entry will be completed, 31st July 2018.

d) DDG (Statistical) informed through telephone that, 2% of sample may be testing under this Survey.

e) Area Officers to co-ordinate with the concern state to get the information on following:-

- District-wise details of number of functional hand pumps in the high priority districts

- Details of equipment's and manpower available in various level laboratories.

The information has to be submitted to WQ section on or before 20th March, 2018.

f) It was decided that :

(i) At central Level: A team chaired by JS water, and consisting of Additional Adviser, DA (WQ), Director (Water), Sr.TD (NIC), representative of CGWB and UNICEF will supervise and coordinate planning and implementation of the Survey.

(ii) At State level : A State level team, chaired by Secretary, State Government Water supply department and consisting of representatives from MDWS (Area officer), CGWB (Representative from regional office), UNICEF state office, Chief Chemist from the concern state, biochemist from CGWB and Nodal Officer for this purpose from concern State PHED will plan and monitor the survey. This will include Field visits to ensure quality of the survey.

g) States will prepare state level plans and will submit to the Ministry on or before 28th March, 2018.

h) CGWB to nominate National Nodal Officer, State / Regional Nodal Officer and Biochemist. UNICEF to nominate its representatives from Delhi and the 5 states. The contact details (Phone & Mail) of the officer may be communicated to this Ministry on or before 20th March, 2018.

i) WQ Section to process this case on priority.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

Annexure

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LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

MDWS:-

1. Shri. Satyabrata Sahu, Joint Secretary (Water)-Chairman
2. Shri. Dinesh Chad, Additional Adviser
3. Shri. D Rajasekhar, Dy Adviser (WQ)
4. Shri. SumitPriyadarshi, Assisatnt Adviser
5. Shri. Santosh R, Assistant Adviser
6. Shri. Vidyasagar, ASO

CGWB:-

7. Shri. S. K. Juneja, Scientist-D, CGWB

UNICEF:-

8. Shri. Nicolas Osbert, Chief (WASH)
9. Shri. Sujoy Mojumdar WASH Specialist
10. Shri. Manish Wasuja, WASH Specialist