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Ministry of Rural Development
Department of Drinking Water Supply

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Dated the 22nd April, 2010.

To

Shri P.W. Ingty
Commissioner & Secretary
Public Health Engineering Department
Government of Meghalaya
Raitong Building, Secretariat Hill
Shillong - 793 001.

**Subject : Meeting to discuss Annual Action Plan 2010-11 of Meghalaya on 06.04.2010 -
Forwarding of Minutes - regarding.**

Sir,

Please refer to the meeting to discuss the Annual Action Plan 2010-11 of Meghalaya held on 06.04.2010 in Room No. 247, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi. A copy of the approved minutes is enclosed herewith for further necessary action.

Thanking You,

Yours faithfully,



(P. N. Ashtamoorthy)
Under Secretary (Water)

Copy with enclosures to :-

1. Secretary (DWS)
2. Joint Secretary (VB), Deptt. of DWS
3. Dir (RKS), Deptt. of DWS
4. Dir (BL), Deptt. of DWS
5. Dy. Dir (Stat.), Deptt. of DWS
- ✓ 6. Tech. Dir (NIC)

**Minutes of the Meeting held to discuss the Annual Action Plan 2010-11
for Meghalaya in New Delhi on 6th April, 2010**

1. A meeting was held to discuss the Annual Action Plan 2010-11 for NRDWP and Jalmani for Meghalaya at 1600 hrs on 6th April, 2010 at 247, A-Wing, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi. The Meeting was chaired by Secretary, Department of Drinking Water Supply. The list of participants is annexed.

2. The gist of discussions held with the representatives of the State Govt is as under:

A. Achievement during 2009-10

NRDWP: Shri H. Prasad, ACE, PHE informed that out of 9326 habitations, in about 59% habitations 100% of the population was covered (including 59.4% SC and 55.9% ST dominated habitations). During 2009-10, he mentioned that against the target of 500 habitations, 402 habitations including 5 iron-affected habitations were covered. With regard to fund utilisation, it was mentioned that the entire amount was spent. Shri P.W. Ingty, Commissioner & Secy, PHE stated that the SWSM would be established this month.

Joint Secretary, DWS pointed out that IMIS data was not updated and suggested to update it quickly.

Jalmani: It was informed that terra filters were installed in 206 schools under the programme. He mentioned that the entire amount released was spent and UC for Rs. 50.18 lakh was sent to the Department.

B. Action Plan for 2010-11

Physical target: 600 habitations were targeted to be covered in 2010-11. This included 40 quality-affected habitations. Joint Secretary, DWS mentioned that the State was water rich and a higher target could be achievable. Secretary, DWS suggested that the target should be increased to cover (i) all habitations with 0% and 0-25% population coverage, (ii) all remaining SC habitations and (iii) 62 remaining quality-affected habitations. With regard to coverage of schools, Joint Secretary, DWS observed that there were 1645 schools without water as per SSA DISE data (30.09.2008), whereas 700 schools were without water as per the State record. Secretary, DWS suggested that all schools should be covered by providing large water harvesting tanks under NRDWP fund, on priority, in 2010-11.

Secretary, DWS stated that the level of service delivery should be improved and suggested that a State policy statement such as "tap connections to all households in 5 years period" should be considered.

Fund allocation: Commissioner & Secty, PHE proposed a plan for a larger amount although central allocation was restricted to Rs. 62.83

crore. Secretary, DWS observed that better coverage was possible and suggested to revise the plan ensuring component-wise allocation of 20% for Sustainability, 10% for O&M and 5% for Support as per the guidelines.

Sustainability: Shri Prasad, ACE, PHE informed that 1600 roof-top water harvesting structures, 152 check dams, 26 point source recharging and 15 ponds etc would be taken up under sustainability measures.

Secretary, DWS advised that completed schemes should be handed over to village councils. In this regard, they should be empowered by giving funds and proper training for maintenance.

Action points: State was advised to revise the Annual Action Plan and submit by 20.04.2010 keeping in view the following points:

- 1) Central allocation restricted to about Rs. 62.83 crore and opening balance.
- 2) Utilisation of at least 35% of the plan funds to cover SC/ST habitations.
- 3) Cover all remaining 10 SC dominated habitations on priority.
- 4) Ensure component-wise allocation of 20% for Sustainability, 10% for O&M and 5% for Support as per the guidelines.
- 5) Fix physical targets keeping in view the actual allocation and opening balance.
- 6) Cover all remaining 1645 Government rural schools without drinking water by reconciling SSA DISE report and PHED figures under NRDWP fund on priority.
- 7) Focus on covering all remaining habitations with 0% and 0-25% population coverage.
- 8) Focus on coverage of all 62 remaining iron-affected habitations.
- 9) Take up roof top water harvesting in institutional buildings like schools, colleges, govt. buildings etc.
- 10) Consider declaring a state policy to give piped water connections water on premises to all households within a definite time frame.
- 11) Conduct sample testing of all sources twice a year for bacteriological and once a year for chemical contamination.
- 12) Handover completed schemes to village councils and support them through transfer of funds and arranging training.
- 13) Organise TNA workshop.
- 14) Update 2009-10 physical & financial progress in IMIS by 15.04.2010.
- 15) Mark all targeted habitations on IMIS before submitting the revised plan by 22/04/2010.

3. The meeting ended with thanks to and from the Chair.

List of participants

S.No.	Name	Designation
Department of Drinking Water Supply		
1.	Smt. Rajwant Sandhu	Secretary
2.	Shri T.M. Vijay Bhaskar	Joint Secretary (DWS)
3.	Shri J.S. Mathur	Joint Secretary (Sanitation)
4.	Shri Vijay Mittal	Director (TSC)
5.	Shri R. K. Sharma	Deputy Director (Stat)
State Government of Meghalaya		
6.	Shri P.W. Ingty	Commissioner & Secretary, PHE
7.	Shri T.G. Abraham	CE, PHE
8.	Shri H. Prasad	ACE, PHE