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Dated the 23rd April, 2010.

To

Shri Ram Lubhaya
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Public Health Engineering Department
Government of Rajasthan
Main Building, Secretariat
Jaipur - 302 005.

**Subject : Meeting to discuss Annual Action Plan 2010-11 (Final) of Rajasthan on 20.4.2010
- Forwarding of Minutes - regarding.**

Sir,

Please refer to the meeting to discuss the Annual Action Plan 2010-11 (Final) of Rajasthan held on 20.04.2010 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 of Annual Action Plan 2010-11 for Rajasthan held in New Delhi on 20th April, 2010

1. The second meeting of Annual Action Plan 2010-11 for NRDWP and Jalmani for Rajasthan was held at 1215 hrs on 20th April, 2010 in 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:

Achievement in 2009-10

NRDWP: Shri Ram Lubhaya, Pr. Secretary PHED informed that all 406 un-covered habitations were covered till 31.03.10. Against the targets of 5048 quality-affected and 5074 slipped-back habitations, 2884 quality-affected and 6286 slipped-back habitations were covered so far. However it was observed that 3537 quality-affected habitations were reported covered till Feb'10 in the earlier meeting dated 23.03.2010. Further, the achievement as mentioned was not reflected in the IMIS. As per the IMIS, less than 93 un-covered and 1297 quality-affected habitations were covered during 2009-10. Secretary, DWS expressed concern about the incomplete data entry and inconsistent reporting. She underlined the sanctity & need for timely reporting of data on IMIS and stated that based on IMIS data, progress of NRDWP in States was being monitored in PMO, Planning Commission and Cabinet Secretariat every month. In response, Pr. Secretary, PHED stated that the data could not be entered due to pre-occupation of field staff in the management of Water Supply. Secretary, DWS was not convinced with the justification and stressed on immediate updation of data on IMIS. Pr. Secretary, PHED assured that the data entry would be done within a month. Secretary, DWS reiterated that data entry had to be completed by 30/4/2010 without fail in order to report to PMO and Cabinet Secretariat.

Action Plan 2010-11

Physical target: Pr. Secretary, DWS furnished an action plan indicating target of 8423 habitations for 2010-11. This included 900 SC-dominated habitations, 346 ST-dominated habitations and 97 minority-dominated habitations. However, the classification of target in terms of percentage population coverage was not provided. Pr. Secretary, PHED stated that classification of target would be finalized after ongoing target marking process on IMIS completed. The State Pr. Secretary, PHED expressed some reservations about the need for entering targeted habitations on the online IMIS for finalization of the

Plan. He stated that investment on incomplete schemes was also necessary even if no habitation coverage was achieved thereby.

It was clarified that the habitations that would be covered in the current year through the ongoing projects and those taken up for execution in 2010-11 are to be entered on IMIS. This is expected to (i) result in complete transparency in implementation of the programme, (ii) lead to accountability of officials working in the Rural Drinking Water sector, (iii) will also inform the public about the progress made over the year; and (iv) errors in the data entered in the IMIS are likely to be pointed out by stake holders. Since the status of habitations is dynamic, often due to slippages in quantity of water available, particularly in periods of inadequate rainfall and chemical contamination showing up in areas where testing of water quality has been taken up, the State can amend the entries made by them on the IMIS. Secretary, DWS suggested that another training programme be held in July on IMIS for State officials. Secretary, DWS reiterated the priority under the XIth Plan and the resolve of Government of India for covering quality affected habitations and habitations with 0% & 0-25% population coverage in the first instance.

Fund Allocation: Pr. Secretary, PHED submitted the action plan for larger amount although central allocation was restricted to Rs. 1165.44 crore. Pr. Secretary, PHED also requested for the reimbursement of Rs. 90 lakh for the DPR for Chambal Bhilwara Project that was under preparation. The State was advised to send a letter in this regard. State was advised to fix the physical targets keeping in view the central allocation and opening balance.

Sustainability: Pr. Secretary, PHED stated that 2629 point source recharging and 3030 roof-top rain water harvesting structures would be taken under sustainability at an estimated expenditure of Rs. 200.08 crore in 2010-11. Secretary, DWS stated that the location details would have to be indicated on the IMIS under listing of schemes under implementation. Joint Secretary, DWS advised that the structures be planned in consultation with CGWB for locating them at sites that would have best impact on recharge of drinking water sources. Pr. Secretary, PHED said they could provide the desired information only after June 2010.

Water Quality: Pr. Secretary, PHED mentioned that 1614 fluoride-affected and 1032 salinity-affected habitations were planned to be covered in 2010-11. It was observed that the target of 1614 fluoride affected habitations was low compared to the large number of quality affected habitations remaining to be addressed. Pr. Secretary, PHED

explained that the major schemes aimed at bringing water from surface sources were the only solution for covering these habitations and the process of completion of the schemes and covering of all quality affected habitations by 2011 might not be feasible. Many schemes would take several years for completion. Secretary, DWS desired that the Department be advised, in the following format, about details of schemes undertaken, name of habitations to be covered under these schemes, likely date of coverage and the investment being planned in the year costing more than Rs. 1 crore each:

Sl. No.	Name of Scheme	Habitations to be covered by quality affected and %age of population covered							Estimated date of completion	Estimated expenditure in 2010-11
		Quality affected	0 %	0-25 %	25-50 %	50-75 %	75-100 %	Total		

Jalmani: Pr. Secretary, PHED stated that R.O. Plants were proposed to be installed in 5000 schools under Jalmani at an average cost of more than Rs. 40,000. It was advised that other States had adopted maintenance free and lower cost technology like Terafil and had implemented/were implementing the programme within the average cost as per the Scheme guidelines. Under JALMANI, schools where water supply reflected chemical contamination were not to be targeted. Such schools had to be provided potable water through the schemes that addressed quality problems in the villages where they were located.

Secretary, DWS observed that the State officials must bring about transparency in utilization of the Central allocation under NRDWP for 2010-11. Sustainability aspects must also be addressed in conformity with NRDWP guidelines. In spite of two rounds of meetings in March and April 2010, there was no clarity about which habitations would be covered this year or the time frame for addressing the remaining quality affected habitations. Not much progress had been made in the matter and this was likely to delay the release of the first instalment under NRDWP to Rajasthan.

Action points:

The State was advised to submit the following details at the earliest.

- 1) Marking the targeted quality-affected habitations on IMIS.

- 2) Marking on IMIS of the target habitations in terms of percentage of population covered.
- 3) Entering details of proposed sustainability structures such as location, unit cost etc on IMIS.
- 4) Details of large schemes undertaken, habitations to be covered under these schemes, completion date etc. as per format given above.
- 5) Update IMIS report on physical & financial progress of 2009-10 by 30/4/2010.
- 6) Make arrangements for another training to be held by NIC in July on IMIS for State officials so that habitation-wise data regarding quality and service delivery aspect was entered correctly.
- 7) Other action points as per the Minutes of the previous Plan discussions held on 23/3/2010.

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 R.K. Sinha	Director (Water)
4.	Shri Ved Prakash	Sr. Consultant

State Government of Rajasthan

6.	Shri Ram Lubhaya	Pr. Secretary, PHED
7.	Shri M.K.M. Joshi	CE (Rural)
8.	Shri Agam Mathur	CE (Special Projects)