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Government of India
Ministry of Rural Development
Department of Land Resources**

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To,

The Chief Executive Officer (CEO),
SLNA for WDC-PMKSY in States
(Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Karnataka,
Kerala, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland
Tamil Nadu, Tripura, Sikkim and Uttar Pradesh)

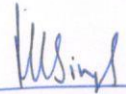
Subject: Minutes of the Video Conference held on 14.08.2020 with State Level Nodal Agencies (SLNAs) to review the implementation of watershed projects under WDC-PMKSY - regd.

Sir / Madam,

I am directed to forward herewith a copy of minutes of the Video Conference held on 14.08.2020 through Webex Meeting Pro App under the Chairmanship of Joint Secretary (WM), Department of Land Resources with State Level Nodal Agencies (SLNAs) to review the implementation of watershed projects under WDC-PMKSY in the States for information and necessary action.

2. These issues with the approval of Joint Secretary (WM).

Yours faithfully,



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1. Sr. PPS to Joint Secretary (WM), Department of Land Resources, New Delhi
2. DIGF (WM), Department of Land Resources, New Delhi
3. HOD, NIC-DoLR (Shri Rajeev Goel) ; requested to arrange uploading of the minutes at Department's website

Copy for kind information:

PPS to Secretary, Department of Land Resources, New Delhi

Minutes of the Video Conference (VC) held on 14th August, 2020 through Webex Meeting Pro App to review the implementation of Watershed Development Component of Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (WDC-PMKSY)

A Video Conference (VC) to review implementation of WDC-PMKSY in the States of Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Karnataka, Kerala, Manipur, Mizoram, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Sikkim, Tamil Nadu, Tripura and Uttar Pradesh was held on 14.08.2020 under the Chairmanship of joint Secretary (WM) on Webex Meeting Pro App. The Programme Officers of DoLR, the Chief Executive Officers/ Officials of States participated in the Video Conference. The list of participants is at **Annexure**.

The Chair in his initial remarks appreciated the states for their increased pace of submission of completion reports and further urged them for completion of all ongoing projects during the current FY. He mentioned that this being the last year of the scheme, GOI is willing to provide financial support to all deserving states on first come first serve basis. A DO of this effect has also been addressed to Secretary DoLR to all the Chief Secretaries of states/UTs. JS (WM) also reiterated the importance of PFMS for GOI releases and relevance of effective convergence for states. He informed that under the proposed new generation scheme DoLR will implement provision for entry of district-wise information in MIS for output-outcome indicators which were added by NITI Aayog since 2018-19. The Chair mentioned that SLNA should be kept vibrant by taking advantage of their skills and expertise in related NRM activities.

2. The State-wise information shared and observations are as given below:

Information shared	Observations/Remarks
Assam	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rs. 19.88 crore released by DoLR as 1st tranche of 1st installment on 07.07.2020. SLNA received Central share along with corresponding State share from State Govt. of Assam. • Proposal for release of 2nd tranche of Central share of 1st installment submitted to DoLR today. • Out of 83 projects of Batch-III, SLNA has sent completion of 77 projects and rest 6 will be completed shortly. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Batch-IV projects (54 nos.) which are in works phase should be completed by the end of current financial year. • State should expedite submission of End-line Evaluation Report of completed projects.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • End line Evaluation Reports of Batch-I & Batch-II already submitted to DoLR. End line Evaluation Reports for 41 nos. of projects under Batch III received from MEL&D agency are checking at SLNA level and will be submitted by 20th August, 2020. Another 42 nos. of projects are under preparation and will be submitted by 1st week of September, 2020. 	
Arunachal Pradesh	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Due to worse situation of Covid-19 in State, movement is totally banned this hampered programme implementation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People of State mostly depend upon Govt. especially in these trying situations and fortunately the density of population in the State is quite favorable (hardly 15 persons/sq km.). SLNA needs to engage peoples, work effectively, utilize funds efficiently and ensure submission of completion and End-line Evaluation reports. • State was asked to submit the completion reports in prescribed format. It needs to be submitted without any further delay. • State should submit completion and End-line evaluation reports of Batch-II and Batch-III projects immediately, since these are already long overdue. • Minutes of the 6th SLSC meeting for approval of Annual Action Plan (AAP) for PMKSY for FY2020-21 received to Department vide email dated 14.08.2020 which does not address the observations made by DoLR on agenda points communicated to SLNA vide letter dated 07.07.2020. SLNA may please look into it for necessary action.

Nagaland	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposal for release of 1st installment of Central share during FY2020-21 has been submitted to DoLR. • Completion upto Batch-IV projects and End-line Evaluation reports up to Batch-III projects completed and submitted to DoLR. End-line Evaluation Report of Batch-IV projects would be submitted by end of August, 2020. • Furnishing of fund status at PFMS platform has already been started by June, 2020. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State should adopt End-line Evaluation parameters as prescribed in Completion and Closure protocol share with States. • State should contribute success stories and best practices in the State for the IEC activities at GOI level. • Completion of Batch-V & Batch-VI projects needs to be expedited.
Sikkim	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completion reports of all 6 projects of Batch-I and Batch-II have already been submitted to DoLR. • End Line Evaluation reports of these completed projects will be submitted by two months. • There are 17 contractual staffs in the SLNA under Batch-I to Batch-IV projects and after closing of these Batches there is issue of salary of these staffs. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State needs to expedite submission of End-line Evaluation Reports of Batch-I and Batch-II projects. • SLNA should be in preparedness for new watershed projects and Springshed projects.
Tripura	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposal for release of 2nd tranche of 1st installment of Central share has already been submitted to GoI. • Completion and End-line Evaluation reports of all projects of Batch-I&II already submitted. • Out of 11 projects of Batch-III, completion reports of 9 projects submitted. Completion reports of rest 2 (two) nos. of projects will be submitted by September, 2020. • For all 17 projects of Batch-IV, 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State needs to expedite pace of effectively utilization of unspent balance • State has to submit success stories and articles on water conservation for 'Jal Charcha' magazine.

<p>consolidation works started and all projects will be completed by December, 2020.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All 8 projects of Batch-V are in works phase and works is in full swing. All projects will be completed by time frame. • As on 10.08.2020, Rs. 22.17 crore is available as unspent balance. • On MIS there is no provision for entry of district-wise information of output-outcome indicators. 	
Mizoram	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completion reports for all projects of Batch-I, II & III has been submitted. • End-line Evaluation Reports of Batch-I & II submitted and End-line Evaluation of Batch-III projects is in progress. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State should expedite End-line evaluation of Batch-III projects. • State should try to identify green field areas where they may go for new generation projects in the event the GOI approves the scheme.
Kerala	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The SLSC meeting is proposed on 18.08.2020. Soon after getting the minutes the proposal can be submitted. Expected to submit the proposal by 25.08.2020. • Balance of Central and State share of FY2019-20 will be release by Finance Department of Kerala by next week. • Completion and End-line Evaluation of all 26 projects of Batch-II submitted. • Out of 15 projects of Batch-III, completion for 12 has been submitted and remaining 3 will be submitted by 31.08.2020. • End-line evaluation of Batch-III 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SLNA should be in touch with Finance Department of State for timely release of Central and State share. • The state should complete all their ongoing projects t the earliest.

<p>projects needs another two months.</p>	
<p>Uttar Pradesh</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • File for return of Central share to DoLR from unspent balance available to State is in process for approval and within one week same will be returned through Demand Draft. • Audit for 2018-19 received and audit for 2019-20 will be received within one week. • End-line evaluation of all Batch-I & II projects are in progress and is being submitted to DoLR as and when received. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unspent balance lying pending SLNA with the state may be deposited to DoLR immediately. It has been long overdue. • Taking into the consideration of landscape and population of the state, Uttar Pradesh is a very crucial and of great importance for the WDC-PMKSY. Therefore, the state is requested to be prepared for new generation of watershed projects as and GOI conveys its approval.
<p>Karnataka</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposal for release of 1st installment of fund submitted to DoLR. The proceedings of the SLSC meeting held on 11.08.2020 will be submitted shortly. • Completion and End-line Evaluation reports of all Batch-I & II projects already submitted. • Out of 116 projects of Batch-III, completion of 81 projects and out of 67 projects of Batch-IV, completion of 39 projects reported to DoLR. • End-line Evaluation report of all Batch-III projects will be submitted by September, 2020. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State should try to submit the completion reports for balance 35 projects of Batch III and balance 28 projects of Batch-IV by end of this month.
<p>Manipur</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Out of 27 projects of Batch-II, completion of 22 projects submitted to DoLR and completion of balance 4 projects will be submitted by next week. • Out of 33 projects of Batch-III, 10 has been completed and will be 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State needs to expedite submission of completion reports of balance projects of Batch-II and all projects of Batch-III, as the extended project period of Batch-III is only upto August, 2020 • End-line Evaluation reports of completed projects need to be

submitted by next week.	submitted on priority.
Meghalaya	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completion report of all 11 projects of Batch-III submitted earlier and completion report of balance 3 projects submitted today. • Taking into consideration of current Covid-19 situation in the State, End-line evaluation of these projects take little bit more time. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State needs to utilize available Batch-III projects funds within extended project period i.e. upto August, 2020.
Tamil Nadu	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Central share assistance during FY2020-21 not required. • Completion reports for Batch-I to Batch-IV projects submitted to DoLR. • Completion report for Batch-V and Batch-VI will be submitted by August, 2020 and September, 2020 respectively. • End-line Evaluation report of all Batch-II projects and for 12 projects out of 50 projects of Batch-I submitted. End-line evaluation report of rest projects of Batch-I will be completed by September, 2020 adopting uniform parameters communicated by GoI. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State was requested to send some articles along with good quality picture on water conservation for the purpose of IEC activities at GOI level.

3 In concluding remarks, Joint Secretary (WM) thanked all the SLNAs for their participation. He mentioned that the future of the WDC-PMKSY will depend on the performance and achievements during the current financial year. This Financial Year is crucial for both DoLR and the States. All States are required to put sincere efforts to complete all ongoing projects by optimal utilization of available funds and submission of completion reports as well as End-line evaluation reports in a time bound manner. There should be uniformity in adopting of parameters in End-line evaluation and it should be in harmony with Completion and Closure protocol shared with the States. Entries on MIS upto district level is very important as it may be required by DISHA Committee meeting taken by public representative of that area.

The Video Conference ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

Annexure

List of Officers from Department of Land Resources and SLNAs participated in the Video Conference held on 14.08.2020

A. The following were present on behalf of DoLR:

1. Shri Umakant, Joint Secretary (WM)
2. Shri Rajesh Kumar Singh, Director (WM)
3. Shri Praveen Kumar Raghaw, DIGF (WM)
4. Shri Manoj Kumar Gaour, Research Investigator

B. CEOs and representatives of the following SLNAs participated in the Video Conference:

1. Arunachal Pradesh
2. Assam
3. Karnataka
4. Kerala
5. Manipur
6. Mizoram
7. Meghalaya
8. Nagaland
9. Sikkim
10. Tamil Nadu
11. Tripura
12. Uttar Pradesh
