OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Monthly Summary of principal activities and important decisions taken by Department of Land Resources –reg.

The undersigned is directed to refer to Communication No.1/26/1/2018-Cab. dated 17.08.2018 and 11.10.2018 from Cabinet Secretariat on the above cited subject and to circulate herewith the copy of unclassified portion of the monthly summary of Department of Land Resources for the month of March, 2019.

Encl: As above

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To,

All Members of Council of Ministers

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6. The Director, Cabinet Secretariat, Rashtrapati Bhawan, New Delhi-110004.
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1. 8214 watershed development projects were sanctioned during 2009-10 to 2014-15 in 28 States (except Goa) under Integrated Watershed Management Programme and later amalgamated under WDC-PMKSY. Under the WDC-PMKSY 96 projects have been reported completed during the month totaling it to 2364 projects completed up to March, 2019.

2. An amount of Rs.1795.44 crores was released to the States upto March, 2019 for watershed development under WDC-PMKSY including Neeranchal.

3. An amount of Rs. 68.09 crores have been released to the States upto March, 2019 during this financial year under Digital Land Records Modernization Programme (DILRMLP).

4. A meeting was held under the chairmanship of Addl. Secretary (FB&ADB), Department of Economic Affairs with the officials of World Bank and DoLR on 13-03-2019 regarding Neeranchal National Watershed Project, DoLR was represented by SS(LR), DDG (WM) and DC(WD). In this meeting the following decisions were taken.

   i. The DoLR would send a report to DEA of the savings and request for cancellation of the remaining undisbursed IDA balance to allow for the cancelled amount to be recommitted to the new and enhanced operation in FY 2020 in accordance with the IDA re-commitment policy.

   ii. World Bank would lift the suspension to allow disbursement to proceed and for ongoing activities to be completed and reimbursement of eligible expenditure incurred by DoLR and participating States. Disbursement would be allowed up to June 30, 2019.

   iii. World Bank would initiate the dialogue with DoLR and participating States on the contours and design of the new project including provisions for retroactive financing.

5. A Review Meeting (through Video Conference) to review progress in DILRMP (Digital India Land Record Modernisation) and NGDRS (National Generic Document Registration) was held under the Chairpersonship of Special Secretary (LR) on 13.03.2019 with representatives of States/UTs to explore the possibilities to adopt NGDRS and implementation of DILRMP. The States/UTs were impressed upon about the changing funding pattern under DILRMP and were requested to send proposals as per new guidelines. States/UTs were also requested to update physical progress on MIS portal regularly.

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6. Measures under Ease of Doing Business are being reviewed at the level of Secretary, Special Secretary and JS (LR) regularly in coordination with implementing agencies like NCT Delhi, DDA, Maharashtra, MCD, NDMC and MoHUA. DIPP is also informed above the Status invariably.

7. Meetings with State Governments / stake holders through video conference are being held under the initiatives during the month under 'Minimum Government, Maximum Governance'.