To,

The Chairman, SLNA for IWMP in all States (as per list attached)

Subject:- Extension of Funding support for Experts/Staff engaged in dedicated institutions of SLNAs and WCDCs under IWMP– reg.

Sir/Madam,

The Common Guidelines for Watershed Development Projects, Revised Edition – 2011, provide for setting up of dedicated implementing agencies with multi-disciplinary professional teams at State and district levels for managing the watershed programme. The Department has been providing financial assistance for strengthening of institutions at the district and State level to ensure professionalism in management of watershed projects.

2. As per the operational guidelines of institutional funds communicated vide D.O.letter No.Z-11011/17/2009-PPC dated 20th November 2009 of Secretary (LR), ‘the performance of SLNAs would be reviewed at the end of the 11th Plan to see if the creation of institutional structures dedicated to watershed programmes has achieved the purpose for which they have been created before any commitment is made to continue funding them in the 12th Plan’.

3. In view of above, it has been decided to extend the financial assistance for the dedicated institutions at the district (WCDC) and State level (SLNA) for another two years, 2012-13 & 2013-14, till the performance of these institutions is reviewed by this Department.

Yours faithfully,

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2. The Economic Advisor, DoLR
3. Director/ AIGF/ DC/ US (M&E), DoLR
4. The Principal Secretary/ Secretary/ Commissioner of Nodal Department for IWMP in all States (as per list attached)
5. The CEO, SLNA for IWMP in all States (as per list attached)

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