

Himachal Pradesh
Irrigation & P.H Department

No. IPH-SE (P&D)-D-II-NRDWP/2017- 2011-25

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To,


- 1 The Additional Chief Secretary (Finance) to the, Govt. of H.P Shimla-2
- 2 The Joint Secretary Govt. of India MODW&S, Rajeev Gandhi National Drinking Water Mission, Paryavaran Bhawan 4th Floor, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road New Delhi-110003.
- 3 Chief Engineer cum Director (WSSO), I & PH Department, SWSM Dhalli, Shimla-12.
- 4 The Regional Director (MOWR), CGWB, DOVE Cottage Ram Nagar Near post office, Dharamshala, District Kangra H.P
- 5 The Director (M&A), DTE CWC, GOI, MOWR, Block No 10, 1st Floor, SDA Complex Kasumpti Shimla-9
- 6 The Director (NIT), Hamirpur District Hamirpur H.P.
- 7 The Director (RDD), SDA Complex, Kasumpti Shimla-9
- 8 The State Project Director, Sarv Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), Shimla-1
- 9 The Director Health, SDA Complex Kasumpti Shimla-9

Subject: Minutes of 1st Meeting of State Level Scheme Sanctioning Committee (SLSSC) for 2017-18

Enclosed please find minutes of 1st meeting of State Level Scheme Sanctioning Committee (SLSSC) for 2017-18 for effective implementation of NRDWP in Himachal Pradesh held on 2nd February, 2018 at 11.00 AM under the Chairmanship of Secretary (IPH), to the Govt. of H.P. for further necessary action, please.

Encl: - As above

Yours faithfully,


Member Secretary (SESSC),
Cum Engineer-in-Chief (IPH)
U.S. Club Shimla-1V

Minutes of the 1st Meeting of State Level Scheme Sanctioning Committee of State Water and Sanitation Mission for the Year 2017-18 held under the Chairmanship of Secretary (IPH) to the Govt. of H.P. on 02nd February 2018

The 1st meeting of State Level Scheme Sanctioning Committee (SLSSC) of State Water & Sanitation Mission was held under the Chairmanship of Secretary (IPH) to the Govt. of H.P. Armsdale building, H.P Secretariat, Shimla-2 at 10.30 AM on 02nd February 2018 in his office chamber.

List of participants is attached at Annexure-A.

At the outset, Member Secretary (IPH) welcomed the Chairman & members of the committee. Before initiating discussion on the Agenda Items, an overview of drinking water supply scenario of the State was given by the Member Secretary for the information of the committee.

Senior Consultant, Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation, Gol observed that the first meeting for the year 2017-18 is being held at the fag end of the year, which ideally should be held in the beginning of the financial year. He, however, observed that achievement of State in drinking water sector is satisfactory and much above the national average. The Chairman directed that the next meeting for Financial Year 2018-19 should be held in April/May to be followed by the second meeting in October month.

AGENDA ITEM-1: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF 1st MEETING OF 2016-17 HELD ON 15th September, 2016 AND ACTION TAKEN REPORT ON THE DECISION TAKEN OF STATE LEVEL SCHEME SANCTIONING COMMITTEE OF SWSM.

The minutes of the 1st meeting of State Level Scheme Sanctioning Committee of State Water & Sanitation Mission held on 15-09-2016 were confirmed.

AGENDA ITEM - 2: Action Plan for 2017-18 and Achievements

Proforma estimates for 125 Nos drinking water supply schemes amounting to Rs.60.00 crores covering 491 habitations under DDP/SAGY/Targated for 2017-18 having habitation in coverage category of >0<25%, >25<50% were placed before the Committee as given below:

Item	No. of Schemes	Type of Schemes		Total No. of Hab.		Estimated cost (₹ in Lac)
		Lift	Gravity	Category of hab.	No. of Habs.	
Approval of estimates/ schemes under NRDWP	125	34	91	>0<25%	1	6000.00
				>25<50%	301	
				>50<75%	151	
				>75<100%	38	
Total	125	34	91		491	6000.00

The SLSSC approved the proposals as above placed before the committee.

In addition the proforma estimates of 22 No Schemes falling in coverage category of 50-75% and 75-100% the abstract of which is given below were also placed before the committee.

Item	No. of Schemes	Type of Schemes		Total No. of Hab.		Estimated cost (₹ in Laes)
		Lift	Gravity	Category of hab.	No. of Habs.	
Approval of estimates/ schemes under NRDWP	22	8	14	>0<25%	0	1589.10
				>25<50%	0	
				>50<75%	117	
				>75<100%	102	
Total	22	8	14		219	1589.10

The committee considered the proposal and decided to drop the same keeping in view the revised guidelines of the programme.

AGENDA ITEM - 3:

Water and Sanitation Support Organization (WSSO) items

3 (i): Review of Annual Action Plan 2016-17 activities under NRDWP (Support and WQMS Fund)

The progress of Support and Water Quality Monitoring and Surveillance (WQM&S) activities under National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP) implemented during the year 2016-17 was reviewed during the meeting. The physical and financial progress of major support and WQMS activities as per the details at NRDWP IMIS during 2016-17 was found satisfactory and same was confirmed by SLSSC.

3(ii): Approval of Annual Action Plan (AAP) 2017-18 under NRDWP (Support and WQMS Fund)

It was discussed that as per the total allocation for NRDWP (Support and WQMS) including State share for CFY 2017-18, an AAP amounting to Rs. 774.72 lakhs (Rs. 484.08 lakhs i.e. 435.97 CS+48.11SS for Support Fund and Rs. 290.64 lakhs i.e. 261.58 CS+29.06 SS for WQMS) was prepared for the year 2017-18 and the same was uploaded on NRDWP IMIS after approval by Gol. The brief detail of AAP 2017-18 is as follows:

Sharing pattern (90:10)	Support Fund (in lakhs)	WQMS Fund (in lakhs)	Total in lakhs
Center share	435.97	261.58	697.55
State share	48.11	29.06	77.17
Total	484.08	290.64	774.72

The 1st installment has already been received amounting to Rs. 332.73 lakh (Rs. 242.20 lakh Support Fund+ 90.53 lakh WQMS Fund). Besides this, the pending state share amounting to Rs. 71.47 lakh (44.67 lakh Support fund+26.80 lakh WQMS fund) for the year 2015-16 was also released by State Government in 2017-18. Hence, total release till date amounts to Rs. 404.20 lakh (i.e. support fund= Rs. 286.87 + WQMS Fund= Rs. 117.33 Lakh). The support and WQM&S activities are being executed as per the above cited AAP. The AAP was submitted for approval to SLSSC.

The AAP was approved by SLSSC.

3 (iii): Review of physical and financial progress CFY 2017-18 as on 27-01-2018

It was discussed that WSSO is implementing the support and WQM&S activities as per AAP 2017-18. The physical and financial progress is as under:

The physical progress:

S. No.	Name of activity	Year 2017-18 till 27-01-2018	
		Target	Achv.
1	No. of persons trained in WQ testing through FTK	5000	7083
2	No. of WQ tests done in labs	75000	53100
3	No. of WQ test done using FTK	75000	58410
4	No. of VWSC & PRI members trained in PMM of RWSS	1402	1199
5	State level person trained	150	158
6	No. of VWSC formed in current year	1200	796
7	Mass media (broadcasting through AIR, FM and display ads etc)	812	1518
8	IEC in Schools	84	87

Financial progress as per IMIS as on 27-01-2018

Component	OB in lakhs	Support Fund (in lakhs)	Funds available in lakhs	Expenditure in lakhs till 27-01-2018	% expenditure
Support	24.80	286.87	311.67	311.67	100%
WQMS	64.53	117.33	181.86	181.86	100%
Total	89.33	404.20	493.53	493.53	100%

The progress till 27-01-2018 was found satisfactory by SLSSC. The Executive Engineer (WSSO) explained that keeping in view the expenditure incurred till 27-01-2018, the 2nd installment under Support and WQMS component may be released at earliest so that remaining activities may be completed within a time frame. It was decided that same shall be issued soon.

Also, the Director, Rural Development desired that the list of PRIs trained with Field Test Kit (FTK) for water quality testing and detail of tests carried out with FTK must be shared with Rural Development Department (RDD). The Executive Engineer (WSSO) explained that all Gram Panchayat level activities i.e. Detail of PRIs trained with FTK, FTK testing detail and No. of FTK distributed etc. under NRDWP (Support and WQMS) are already being carried out in coordination with RDD vide letter No. SWSM-WSSO-FTK-Vol-VI/2015-16/2056-87 dated 25-11-2016. However, the Chairperson directed WSSO to share the updated details and website link of above cited activities with RDD within a week.

3(iv): Approval of extension of annual contract of the staff placed under IPH, WSSO and DWSMs for the year 2017-18

The approval regarding the extension of annual contract period of various contractual/outsourced staff/outsourcing agencies placed under IPH, WSSO and DWSMs for the year 2017-18 w.e.f 01.04.2017 to 31.3.2018 vide Govt. Letter No. IPH-B(F)5-7/2014 dated 19.9.2017 was ratified by SLSSC.

The Executive Engineer (WSSO) also conveyed that as the annual contract period is now again going to expire on 31-03-2018. Therefore, it is proposed that keeping in view the requirement of their work, the contract period of contractual and outsourcing agencies/staff may further be extended for next one year i.e. from 01-04-2018 to 31-03-2019 as under:

Sr. No	Designation & place of posting	No. of persons	Date of expiry of present contract period	Contract period to be extended w.e.f. 01-04-18
1	Contractual staff with IPH, WSSO and DWSM i.e. Programmer (1), DEO (2), Accountant (retd-8), Consultant Chemist at DWSM (11), State Consultants at WSSO (2)	24	31-03-2018	31-03-2019
2	Outsourcing agency (11 Nos i.e. 10 NGOs and 1 NIELIT) for Block Coordinators, TSPs cum computer Operator, TSP cum Data Entry Operators, Computer Operators and Supervisor Data Base Administrator	203		

The proposal was approved by SLSSC subject to the satisfactory performance of the contractual appointee and outsourcing agency which shall be assessed by the concerned authority before granting extension in the contractual period from 01-04-2018 to 31-03-2019.

3(v): Approval of enhancement in the emolument of Accountants (DWSM) and outsourced staff i.e. Block Coordinators under Block Resource Centre, DWSMs and Sweeper

3(v)a: The Executive Engineer (WSSO) explained that as per the decision taken in the meeting of SLSSC held on 15-09-2016 and various requests received from Accountant (DWSMs) who are retired Superintendent and hired through open advertisement and Block Coordinators (who are outsourced), it is proposed to enhance their remuneration keeping in view the increased inflation as there is no increase in their emoluments since 2014. The expenditure on the same shall be borne under NRDWP (Support) Central and State fund on sharing basis. After detailed discussions, it was decided and approved by the SLSSC to enhance the remuneration of Accountant (retd) under DWSMs and State Training Centre, Mandi w.e.f. April, 2018 who have completed 4 years with DWSM as under:

S. No	Designation	No. of sanctioned posts	No. of posts filled in presently	Already drawing emoluments/month in Rs.	Proposed increase in emoluments/month in Rs.	Increased emoluments per month in Rs. w.e.f. April, 2018
1	Accountant-DWSM (retd)	13 (12 DWSM+ 1 STC, Mandi)	8	10000/-	3000/-	13000/-

It was also approved by the SLSSC to allow 3% per annum increase on the fixed emoluments of aforesaid category w.e.f. April, 2019 and from April, 2018 for those Accountants who has not completed 4 years with DWSM.

It was also decided that the matter of enhancement of remunerations of Block Coordinators is to be referred with Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation (MDWS), Government of India keeping in view the ceiling in existing NRDWP guidelines. However, it was explained that MDWS, GoI has already decided vide its minutes of the meeting held on 04-03-2016 at New Delhi that States may hike the emoluments/remunerations of Block Coordinators, Consultants at district and State level using its own fund/resources to retain them.

3(v)b: It was also explained that there is need of a Chowkidar for watch and ward of building and assets of WSSO after office hours. In this regard, it was proposed that a Sweeper (Mr. Anil) is working in WSSO on part time basis since September, 2005 as per the approval of the then Member Secretary (SWSM) cum Principal Secretary (IPH). Therefore, keeping in view the requirement of Chowkidar in WSSO and his experience, he may be engaged as "Chowkidar cum Sweeper" @ minimum wages as per the FD Letter No. FIN-(PR) B (7)-33/2010 dated 07-04-2017 amounting to Rs. 210/- day w.e.f. April, 2018 or as amended by Government from time to time.

The proposal was approved by SLSSC.

3(vi): Approval of regularization of the service conditions of the WSSO, SWSM staff in analogy to the Policy issued by the Government of Himachal Pradesh for Project Staff in the Department of Forests, Himachal Pradesh

It was explained that the Department of Forests, Government of Himachal Pradesh has issued a policy vide Notification No. FFE-A(B)2-9/2-16 dated 19-04-2017 to regulate the service condition of the Project Staff engaged in the HP Forest Department. Similarly, the project staff engaged under WSSO, SWSM has also requested to regulate their service conditions in analogy to above cited policy.

After detailed discussions, it was decided that a Committee shall be constituted under the Chairmanship of Engineer-in-Chief (IPH) to review the above cited matter in consultation with the Forest Department and the case shall submitted separately to the Administrative Department.

3(vii): Approval of Payment to Jalrakshaks

The Executive Engineer (WSSO) conveyed that in CFY 2017-18, a provision of payment of remuneration cost of 394 Nos. of Jalrakshaks (Rs. 71.00 lakhs) has been kept in AAP 2017-18 under NRDWP (WQM&S) and Rs. 10.63 lakh has already been released to all DWSM keeping in view the availability of funds. The remaining amount shall also be released on availability of funds. The same was submitted for approval.

The proposal was approved by SLSSC.

3(viii): Approval of Payment to PEC University, Chandigarh as State Technical Agency

It was explained that the PEC University Chandigarh has submitted a bill amounting to Rs. 1, 47, 539/- i.e. (Rs. 100000/- as per the MoU from dated 1st June, 2014 to 31st May, 2015 as no DPR was got vetted by the department during this period and Rs. 47539/- remaining amount after vetting DPRs (3 DPRs) as per the MoU from dated 26th Oct., 2015 to 25th October, 2016) in lieu of entering MoU as State Technical Agency under NRDWP. The PEC University has agreed to act as STA for

another term provided the pending payment is released to them. Hence, it is proposed to allow the payment of this amount to STA form NRDWP (Support Fund).

After detailed deliberations, the proposal was approved by SLSSC, however, it was also decided to explore the scope of STA with NIT, Hamirpur and IIT, Mandi. The proposal is to be finalized within in a period of one month.

3(ix): Engagement of Consultant (IEC) in each DWSM under NRDWP

It was discussed that as per the decision taken in the SLSSC meeting held on 15-09-2016, the revised ToR for engagement of Consultant (IEC) in each DWSM was approved in principal vide Single File Note dated 01-02-2017. The same was submitted for ratification to SLSSC.

However, after detailed delibations, it was decided to drop this item keeping in view the reduced funding under NRDWP (Support and WQM&S).

AGENDA ITEM – 4: Additional item with the permission of chair

4.1. Approval of proposal for State Training Centre, Mandi as National Key Resource Centre of Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation (MDWS), GoI

The Executive Engineer (WSSO) explained that as decided in the previous SLSSC meeting, WSSO has prepared a proposal which may be submitted to MDWS, GoI for providing Grant-in-Aid and empanellment of State Training Centre, Mandi as its National Key Resource Centre for capacity building in drinking water sector under NRDWP.

After detailed deliberations, the proposal was approved by SLSSC for further submission to GoI.

AGENDA ITEM - 4:

Representative Sarva Shikhsa Abhiyan stated that about 100 new schools have come up in Sirmour district and desired to know about the possibilities of coverage of these schools under NRDWP. It was explained by the Member Secretary that there is no separate exclusive provision for the coverage of schools under the programme, however, school falling enroute ongoing wate supply schemes are being covered. SSA funds may be utilized for coverage of other schools. IPH Department shall release the connections on priority from the nearest feasible branch line. The meeting ended with vote of thanks to and from the chair.

Annexure-A

List of Participants, SLSSC Meeting held on 02-02-2018.

Sr. No.	Name of official/officers	Designation
1.	Sh. Devesh Kumar	Secretary (IPH)
2.	Er. Anil Bahri	E-in-C (IPH)
3.	Er. Suman Vikrant	C.E. (D&M)
4.	Er.G.R Zarger	Sr.Consultant GOI
5.	Sh.Anant kumar Gupta	Director CWC
6.	Sh.Rakesh Kanwar	Director (RDD)
7.	Sh. Rikhi Ram	Dy.Secretary (Finance)
8.	Er. Rupen Sehgal	State Project Director (SSA)
9.	Er.A.K Gupta	Jt. Director DHS
10.	Er. Sanjeev Kaul	S. E (P&I)-1
11.	Er. Sumit Sood	E. E. (WSSO)
12.	Er. Vinod Thakur	E. E.(D-II) P&I-1
13.	Er.Mukand Lal Tanta	A. E (D-II) P&I-1
14.	Dr. Anil Kumar	Consultant WSSO
15.	Sh.Nek Chand Verma	Sr.Assistant WSSO

