

**MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES,
RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION**

Minutes of the first Meeting of the National Level Advisory and Monitoring Committee for Jal Kranti Abhiyan (2015-16) held on 13.8.2015 at 2.30 P.M.

The first Meeting of the National Level Advisory and Monitoring Committee for Jal Kranti Abhiyan (2015-16) was held on 13.8.15 at 2.30 PM under the Chairmanship of Dr. Amarjit Singh, Additional Secretary (WR, RD & GR) at 2.30 PM in Committee Room of Ministry of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation, Shram Shakti Bhawan, New Delhi. The list of participants is at **Annexure-I**.

AS (WR, RD & GR) welcomed the participants and informed that the Jal Kranti Abhiyan is a very important programme undertaken by the Ministry of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation. The Abhiyan is aimed at consolidating water conservation and management in the country through a holistic and integrated approach involving different stakeholders. Since this is a convergence programme involving different activities of related Central Ministries/Departments, cooperation and active involvement of the concerned Central Ministries/Departments is very important.

Dr. B. Rajender, JS(PP), MOWR, RD & GR made a presentation on the Jal Kranti Abhiyan, highlighting the objectives of the Abhiyan, the activities proposed therein, the Committees constituted at different levels for successful implementation of the programme etc.

AS (WR, RD & GR) thereafter mentioned that two villages in each district are to be identified as Jal Grams under the Jal Gram Yojana wherein water conservation and water security schemes would be taken up. Hence in the first instance, high priority is to be given to identification of the Jal Grams in each District. He directed the officers of CWC, CGWB and the Nodal Officers nominated for Jal Kranti Abhiyan to contact the concerned State/District level officials to ensure that the process of identification of Jal Grams is completed expeditiously. Thereafter, the activities for water security in the identified villages are to be taken up earnestly. Similarly, identification of Model Command Areas also needed to be expedited. The concerned Officers of the Ministry/Organisations assured that they would try their best to ensure that identification of Jal Grams and Model Command Areas are completed by the due dates.

AS (WR, RD & GR) directed that in case of any problems in this regard the matter may be brought to his notice so that he could speak to the Chief Secretary of the concerned States or any other concerned officer.

It was clarified by JS(A), MoWR, RD & GR that field Officers of Central Water Commission(CWC) and Central Ground Water Board (CGWB) have also been identified as Nodal Officers for implementation of Jal Kranti Abhiyan in every State. Their list is enclosed at **Annexure-II. They would also act as Member Secretaries of State Level Committee.**

It was decided that till such time as identification of Jal Grams under Jal Kranti Abhiyan (to be finalised through District Level Committees) is complete, the Nodal Officers (from CWC/CGWB) identified for each State may consider inclusion of villages identified earlier under the 'Hamara Jal Hamara Jeevan Programme' as Jal Grams under Jal Kranti Abhiyan as per criteria.

Shri Narendra Birthare, convenor Ganga Vichar Manch mentioned that bio toilets can be used wherever feasible to overcome the problems of excreta seeping into ground water.

Shri Y.D. Sharma, representative of Water User Associations highlighted the issue of contamination of ground water (through excreta) by soak pits and suggested that the same may be included in the Note of Jal Kranti Abhiyan. He also suggested that lectures on Jal Kranti Abhiyan may be included in the convocation of WUAs to be organised by them shortly.

Dr. Amita Prasad, JS(A & GW), MoWR, RD & GR informed that the Bhujal Manthan is being organised on 21st August, 2015 at Kurukshetra as part of Jal Kranti Abhiyan.

Thereafter AS (WR, RD & GR) sought the views of the representatives of the concerned Ministries/Departments. The following views/suggestions emerged in this regard:

- i) Representative of Ministry of Information & Broadcasting suggested that publicity of Jal Kranti Abhiyan may be done through media unit of Ministry of Information & Broadcasting.
- ii) Representative of Ministry of Panchayati Raj suggested that convergence with the schemes like Rajiv Gandhi Panchayat Sashaktikaran Abhiyan (RGPSA) may be considered.
- iii) Representative of Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation informed that awareness regarding cleanliness and hygiene is very low in rural areas. Hence, awareness in this regard, may also be spread under Jal Kranti Abhiyan.
- iv) Representative of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare informed that about 70% of diseases are water borne which could be avoided if clean drinking water was provided.

Director (RMCD), CWC suggested that Remote Sensing Centres in States have important data available with them. Hence, their representatives may be included in the State Level Committees. JS (A&GW) informed that there is provision in the Step by Step Implementation Guide of Jal Kranti Abhiyan for Chairman, State Level Committee to co-opt upto five additional members for the smooth functioning of the Committee.

JS (A&GW) suggested that various activities being undertaken by the Ministry may be undertaken under the logo of Jal Kranti Abhiyan.

The following follow up actions emerged from discussions during the meeting:

1. List of Jal Grams and Model Command Areas to be finalised at the earliest. The concerned officers of Ministry/CGWB/CWC and the Nodal Officers of Jal Gram to take necessary action in this regard.
2. The representatives of various Ministries/Departments present in the Meeting to brief their Secretaries regarding the discussions and the importance of Jal Kranti Abhiyan.
3. The Water Security Plans may be prepared at the earliest. A template of water security plan for every State is to be prepared urgently.
4. A letter may be sent to the Secretaries of the concerned Ministries whose representative could not attend the Meeting, requesting them to nominate representative for the next meeting.
5. The Nodal Officer of the Ministry nominated for Jal Kranti Abhiyan may also be invited for the next meeting of the Monitoring Committee.
6. Since, Jal Kranti Abhiyan is a convergence programme, efforts be made for convergence of different schemes to the extent feasible.
7. Logo of Jal Kranti Abhiyan be communicated to the concerned Ministries/Departments.
8. Representative of Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation dealing with NMCG may be invited for the next Meeting of the Monitoring Committee.
9. Next Meeting of the Monitoring Committee shall be held in fifteen days time.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

List of Participants of the First Meeting of National Level Advisory and Monitoring Committee of 'Jal Kranti Abhiyan'

1. Dr. Amarjit Singh, Additional Secretary, MoWR, RD&GR (In chair);
2. Sh. Narendra Kumar, Member (RM), Central Water Commission;
3. Sh. Jalaj Shrivastava, Additional Secretary, Department of Agriculture & Cooperation;
4. Dr. Amita Prasad, Joint Secretary (A&GW), MoWR, RD&GR;
5. Dr. B. Rajender, Joint Secretary (PP), MoWR, RD&GR;
6. Sh. K.B. Biswas, Chairman Central Ground Water Board;
7. Sh. Pradeep Kumar, Commissioner (SP), MoWR, RD&GR;
8. Sh. T.S. Mehra, Commissioner (B&B), MoWR, RD&GR;
9. Sh. R.K. Gupta, Joint Secretary (PR), MoWR, RD&GR;
10. Sh. Atul Jain, Chief Engineer (HRM), Central Water Commission;
11. Dr. Dinesh Chand, Additional Advisor (PHE), Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation;
12. Dr. Devesh Gupta, Addl. DDG, Directorate General of Health Services, Ministry of Health & Welfare;
13. . Dr. Dhiraj Kakadia, Director, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting;
14. Sh. Shailendra Vikram Singh, Director, Ministry of Urban Development;
15. Sh. Debasis Pal, Deputy Secretary, Ministry of Panchayati Raj;
16. Dr. V.C. Goyal, Head, Research Management and Outreach Division, National Instituted Hydrology;
17. Sh. M.S. Sahare, Senior joint Commissioner (FM), MoWR, RD&GR;
18. Sh. S.K. Sharma, Senior Joint Secretary (PP), MoWR, RD&GR.
19. Sh. R.B. Kumar, Director (TC), Central Water Commission;
20. Sh. Narendra Birthare, Convener, Ganga Vichar Manch;
21. Sh. Y.D. Sharma, IndiaNPIM;
22. Sh. D.P. Mathuria, Director (RMCD), Central Water Commission-Member Secretary

ANNEXURE-II

SI.NO.	STATE	NO. OF DISTRICTS	NODAL OFFICER for State*	Phone No.
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	13	SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER/ DIRECTOR, CWC, HYDERABAD	040-23203986 040-23200293
2	ARUNANCHAL PRADESH	17	SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER/ DIRECTOR, CWC, SHILLONG	0364-2232294
3	ASSAM	27	REGIONAL DIRECTOR, CGWB, GUWAHATI	+91-361-2271759/760/761
4	BIHAR	40	SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER/ DIRECTOR, CWC, PATNA	0612- 2233065
5	CHHATISGARH	27	REGIONAL DIRECTOR, CGWB, RAIPUR	+91-771-2413687
6	GOA	02	REGIONAL DIRECTOR, CGWB, BENGALURU	+91-80-22586940
7	GUJARAT	33	SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER/ DIRECTOR, CWC, GANDHINAGAR	079 - 23245426
8	HARYANA	21	SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER/ DIRECTOR, CWC, CHANDIGARH	0172-2742465
9	HIMACHAL PRADESH	12	SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER/ DIRECTOR, CWC, SIMLA	0177-2624036
10	JAMMU AND KASHMIR	22	SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER/ DIRECTOR, CWC, JAMMU	0191-2530675
11	JHARKHAND	24	SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER/ DIRECTOR, CWC, RANCHI	0651-2291371
12	KARNATAKA	30	SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER/ DIRECTOR, CWC, BENGALURU	080-23379316
13	KERALA	14	REGIONAL DIRECTOR, CGWB, THIRUANANTHPURAM	+91-471-2442191, +91-471-2555026
14	MADHYA PRADESH	51	SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER/ DIRECTOR, CWC, BHOPAL	0755-2551834
15	MAHARASTHRA	36	REGIONAL DIRECTOR, CGWB, NAGPUR	+91-712-2564390
16	MANIPUR	09	REGIONAL DIRECTOR, CGWB, GUWAHATI	+91-361-2271759/760/761

17	MEGHALAYA	11	SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER/ DIRECTOR, CWC, SHILLONG	0364-2232294
18	MIZORAM	08	SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER/ DIRECTOR, CWC, GUWAHATI	0361-2674264
19	NAGALAND	11	REGIONAL DIRECTOR, CGWB, GUWAHATI	+91-361-2271759/760/761
20	ODISHA (ORISSA)	30	SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER/ DIRECTOR, CWC, BHUBANESWAR	0674-2545536
21	PUNJAB	22	REGIONAL DIRECTOR, CGWB, CHANDIGARH	+91-172-2639500
22	RAJASTHAN	33	REGIONAL DIRECTOR, CGWB, JAIPUR	+91-141-2706991
23	SIKKIM	04	SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER/ DIRECTOR, CWC, GANGTOK	03592-231128 270613
24	TAMIL NADU	33	REGIONAL DIRECTOR, CGWB, CHENNAI	+91-44-24914334
25	TELANGANA	10	SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER/ DIRECTOR, CWC, HYDERABAD	040-23203986 040-23200293
26	TRIPURA	08	REGIONAL DIRECTOR, CGWB, GUWAHATI	+91-361-2271759/760/761
27	UTTAR PRADESH	75	SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER/ DIRECTOR, CWC, LUCKNOW	0522-2715734
28	UTTARAKHAND	13	SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER/ DIRECTOR, CWC, DEHRADUN	0135- 2761562
29	WEST BENGAL	20	REGIONAL DIRECTOR, CGWB, KOLKATA	+91-33-23673080
30	ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS	03	REGIONAL DIRECTOR, CGWB, KOLKATA	033-23673080
31	CHANDIGARH	01	SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER/ DIRECTOR, CWC, CHANDIGARH	0172-2742465
32	DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI	01	SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER/ DIRECTOR, CWC, GANDHINAGAR	079 - 23245426
33	DAMAN & DIU	02	SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER/ DIRECTOR, CWC, GANDHINAGAR	079 - 23245426
34	NATIONAL CAPITAL TERRITORY DELHI	11	SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER/ DIRECTOR, CWC, NEW DELHI	011-26868142

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