



D.O. No. Z -11011/11/2019-PPC

Dated: 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2019

**Subject: Continuation of Watershed Development Component of Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (WDC-PMKSY) scheme beyond March, 2020 – reg.**

*Dear Sir,*

As you are aware that WDC-PMKSY is drawing to an end by March, 2020. However, Batch-V and Batch-VI projects sanctioned during 2013-14 and 2014-15 will have a life span running upto March 2021 and March, 2022 respectively.

2. In this context, I am to inform that Department of Land Resources (DoLR) has decided to take up a new project for addressing degraded and rainfed lands to the tune of 5 million ha. / annum upto 2024. Detail proposal is under preparation. Needless to say that land being the State subject, State's cooperation is indispensable.

3. Therefore, you are requested to keep your anchoring department in all preparedness. On the basis of reviews of the scheme undertaken by DoLR, it is felt that besides strengthening the State Level Nodal Agency (SLNA) at all the levels, positioning of experienced senior officers as fulltime CEO, SLNA for atleast 2-3 years at a stretch, is the pre-requisite of the scheme for achieving the desired objective.

*With regards,*

Yours sincerely,

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