

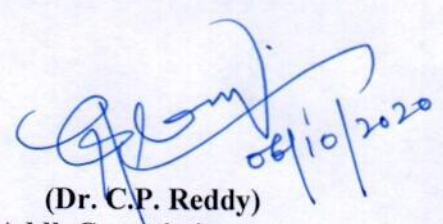
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Subject: Minutes of the Video Conference taken by Secretary Department of Land Resources (DoLR) on 25th September, 2020 (through Vidyo Connect App) to review the implementation of Watershed Development Component of Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (WDC-PMKSY)

The undersigned is directed to forward a copy of minutes of the Video Conference held under the Chairmanship of Secretary, DoLR on 25.09.2020 through Vidyo Connect App with the Senior Officials of 11 States (Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh, Jharkhand, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Telangana and UT of Jammu & Kashmir) to review the implementation of WDC-PMKSY projects, for information and necessary action.

2. These issues with the approval of Secretary, DoLR.


(Dr. C.P. Reddy)
Sr. Addl. Commissioner

Distribution:

Chairman / Principal Secretary / CEO, State Level Nodal Agency for WDC-PMKSY in the State of Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh, Jharkhand, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Telangana and UT of Jammu & Kashmir

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- (ii) PPS to Joint Secretary (WM), Department of Land Resources, New Delhi
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Minutes of the Meeting taken by Secretary DoLR on 25th September, 2020 (through Vidyo Connect App) to review the implementation of Watershed Development Component of Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (WDC-PMKSY)

A Video Conference (VC) to review implementation of WDC-PMKSY in 11 States (Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh, Jharkhand, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Rajasthan and Telangana and UT of Jammu & Kashmir) was held on 25.09.2020 under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Department of Land Resources on Vidyo Connect App. The Programme Officers of DoLR, the Chairman / Pr. Secretary / Secretary / Chief Executive Officers/ Officials of States participated in the Video Conference. The list of participants is at **Annexure**.

2. The Chair in his initial remarks appreciated the States for their increased pace of submission of completion reports and further urged them for accomplishment of all ongoing projects during the current financial year. He mentioned that this being the last year of the scheme, GOI is willing to provide financial support to all deserving States on first come first serve basis. A D.O. letter to this effect has also been issued from Secretary DoLR to all the Chief Secretaries of States/UTs on 2nd / 3rd September, 2020. Secretary, DoLR also reiterated the importance of PFMS for monitoring expenditure and releases, updating of MIS-IWMP on regular basis and relevance of effective convergence with similar schemes with WDC-PMKSY. *Secretary DOLR also stated that ranking of States/UTs would be done for the year 20-21 and onwards. A National Award Ceremony would be held in April/May 21 to felicitate good performer States/UTs. He also stated that the performance of the States /UTs will be closely monitored and the Chief Secretary and Chief Minister of the State /UTs will be informed of the progress periodically through Secretary/HMoRD respectively.*

3. The State-wise information shared and decisions arrived at are as given below:

DoLR's inputs	Remarks of the Chair
Andhra Pradesh	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Total 112 projects (56 for batch IV and 56 for batch V) are ongoing and these projects are to be completed by 31.03.2021 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> State should submit latest UC by 28.09.2020 for consideration of release of 2nd tranche of 1st installment during 2020-21. Issues related to PFMS required to be sorted out immediately and release & expenditure should be reflected on the PFMS. State should submit a plan for utilization of unspent balance available and expedite utilization of the funds and send the report to DOLR by 12th Oct 20.

Assam	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposal for release of 2nd tranche of 1st installment has been submitted to DoLR. • Rs. 46.60 crore was available as unspent balance as on 31.08.2020. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transfer of Central share and corresponding State share for FY2020-21 from State Govt. to SLNA is due. State should release Central share along with corresponding State share immediately for processing the release of 2nd tranche of 1st installment of Central share. • State budget allocated for FY2020-21 is not being reflected in PFMS. State has to look into the issues and see that release & expenditure under the scheme is reflected on PFMS. • Pace of utilization of funds in the State needs to improve. • Batch-IV projects (54 nos.) which are in works phase should be completed by March 2021.
Gujarat	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No End-line Evaluation Report for Batch-I, II & III submitted by Gujarat. • Rs. 130 crore is available as unspent balance as on 25.09.2020. • Approved Annual Action Plan of Rs. 208 crore submitted for release of Central Share. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State has to take immediate necessary measures for submission of End-line Evaluation Reports Batch-I, II & III projects, which are long overdue. • Pace of expenditure in the State needs to improve. • Chairman SLNA, Gujarat should review progress of scheme implementation at regular intervals & ensure that all targets are achieved as per timelines and report to DOLR. The first report should be sent to DOLR by 12th Oct 20.
Himachal Pradesh	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SLSC meeting for approval of AAP of Rs. 48.03 crore for FY2020-21 has been held on 10.06.2020. However, proposal for release of 1st installment will be submitted in the month of December, 2020. • Rs. 108.07 crore is available as 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State is having huge unspent balance but pace of expenditure is very slow. State needs to expedite utilization of the unspent balance available. A detailed plan for utilization of unspent balance till March, 2021 is required to be prepared and implemented in

<p>unspent balance as on 31.08.2020.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Out of 36 projects of Batch-I, 16 projects and out of 44 projects of Batch-II, 27 projects have been completed. • End-line Evaluation report is yet to be submitted. 	<p>letter & spirit.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State has to expedite the completion reports of remaining 37 projects of Batch I & II and also completion reports of 30 projects of Batch-III. • State has to furnish the End-line evaluation reports of the 43 projects reported completed. • Chairman SLNA should review the implementation on regular basis and direct the concerned officers to achieve all targets as per timelines and report to DOLR. The first report should be sent to DOLR by 12th Oct 20.
Jammu & Kashmir	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SLSC meeting for approval of AAP for FY2020-21 has been held and proposal has been sent by post. • Completion report for batch III projects will be submitted shortly. • The process and formalities for undertaking end-line evaluation are also being done simultaneously to avoid delay in submission of End-line Evaluation Reports. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State has to submit completion report of Batch-III projects immediately as the extended project period got over on 31.08.2020. • State to prepare plan for utilization of unspent balance of Rs. 42.04 crore. The plan may be sent to DOLR by 12th Oct 20. • State should take necessary steps for submission of End-line Evaluation Reports of Batch-III projects.
Jharkhand	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completion reports of balance Batch-III projects are to be submitted. • As per PFMS, Rs. 89.97 crore is available as unspent balance but state informed Rs. 68 crore as unspent balance to DoLR. • State Government has released only Rs. 10 crore against Rs. 36.77 crore released by DoLR during 2019-20 and corresponding State Share also not released by State Government. • End-line Evaluation Reports of 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State should try to get SLSC convened or take approval on AAP from Chief Secretary on file by rotation, if SLSC is delayed, and submit release proposal to DoLR. • State should try to get released balance amount of Central share as well as corresponding State share immediately. • State should take all necessary measures to submit End-line Evaluation Reports of Batch-I, II & III immediately as these reports

completed projects of Batch-I, II & III are not submitted.	<p>are pending for long time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prepare a detailed plan for utilization of unspent balance and implement it to complete all ongoing projects without fail. • Chairman SLNA should review the progress on regular basis and ensure completion of all projects by utilizing available funds and report to DOLR. The first report should be sent to DOLR by 12th Oct 20.
Kerala	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The SLSC meeting was conducted on 18.08.2020 but exclusively for flexi funds and other agendas were not considered. • Rs. 62.031 crore of balance of Central and State share of FY2019-20 is yet to be released by Finance Department of Kerala to SLNA. • End-line evaluation of Batch-III projects will be submitted by 30.10.2020. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SLNA should take up the matter with Finance Department of State for timely release of Central and State share. • There is unspent balance of Rs. 75.40 crore including Central and State share yet to be released by State Govt. SLNA has to prepare a detailed plan for effective utilization of the same. The Detailed plan should be sent to DOLR by 12th Oct 20. • Proposal for release of 1st installment of Central share during FY2020-21 is also due. • End-line evaluation report of completed projects of Batch-III is also due. State has to ensure timely submission of same.
Madhya Pradesh	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposal for release of 1st installment of Central share has been submitted to DoLR. • End-line evaluation of completed projects of Batch-I & II are required to be submitted immediately. • Completion Reports for 61 projects of Batch-III has been submitted and for balance 46 projects alongwith End-line evaluation will be submitted shortly. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expedite submission of End-line Evaluation Reports for Batch-I, II and III at the earliest which are pending for long time. • Variation on expenditure figures reported physically and reflecting on PFMS needs to be reconciled. • Proposal for release of 1st installment is not being considered by IFD due to huge unspent balance of about Rs. 165 crore. State should effectively utilize the

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pace of expenditure has been expedited and available funds will be exhausted by Dec, 2020. 	<p>unspent balance to facilitate release of the 1st installment from DoLR during current FY.</p>
Maharashtra	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • During this financial year Rs. 72.00 crore only has been utilized and unspent balance of Rs. 455.33 crore is available as on 14.09.2020. • No release proposal received during current financial year. • Completion reports for 191 projects of Batch-III has been submitted and completion for balance 21 projects will be submitted shortly. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chairman SLNA or CEO, SLNA did not attend the meeting. • The pace of expenditure is extremely slow in the State. At this rate of expenditure (Rs. 72 crore for six months), State will not be able to utilize unspent balance and properly complete the projects by March 2021. • State should prepare a detailed plan for utilization of unspent balance and implement the same in letter and spirit. • Chairman SLNA should review the progress of implementation on fortnight basis to ensure utilization of available funds for proper completion of all ongoing projects as per the timelines and report to DOLR. The first Report should be sent by 12th Oct 20. • State should submit their progress report on fortnight basis to DoLR. • There is a huge variation in financial progress submitted physically and reflecting in PFMS. • Submission of End-line Evaluation Reports of completed projects needs to be expedited.
Rajasthan	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As on date, State has more than Rs. 206.82 crore as unspent balance. • Out of 229 projects of Batch-III, 226 has been completed. • End-line Evaluation Report of 43 Batch-III projects required to be 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State has to submit latest UC by 28.09.2020 for consideration of release of balance amount of 1st installment. • Submission of End-line Evaluation Reports of completed projects of Batch-III needs to be

submitted by immediately.	expedited. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure the expenditure incurred should also reflect on PFMS and the unspent balance reported in UCs should match with PFMS.
Telangana	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SLSC meeting for approval of AAP for FY 2020-21 is yet to be convened. The funds released during 2019-20 are yet to be credited in SLNA account. Completion reports of 71 project of Batch-III projects will be submitted shortly. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> State has to ensure immediate release of Central share along with corresponding State share of Rs. 38.51 crore released during the FY 2019-20 to SLNA. SLNA should submit release proposal of 1st installment to DoLR immediately. State should submit End-line Evaluation Reports for completed projects of Batch-II immediately. Completion of Batch-III projects is also due, State has to expedite the same. Expedite utilization of available funds of Rs. 66.09 crore (including funds yet to be released by State to SLNA) and complete the ongoing projects as per timelines. Chairman, SLNA should review the implementation on regular basis so that all targets are achieved as per timelines and report to DOLR. The first Report should be sent to DOLR by 12th Oct 20.

4. On review the progress of implementation of WDC-PMKSY in the above States, Chairman desired that a D.O. letter from Secretary, DoLR to Chief Secretary of all 11 States highlighting the issues of implementation should be issued immediately. Further, Chairman also desired that a D.O. letter from Hon'ble MRD to Chief Minister of all 11 States should be issued for effective implementation of WDC-PMKSY by optimal utilization of available funds and completion of all ongoing projects as per timelines.

5. In concluding remarks, Joint Secretary (WM) thanked all the SLNAs for their participation. He mentioned that the future of the WDC-PMKSY will depend on the performance and achievements during the current financial year. This Financial Year is

crucial for both DoLR and the States. All States are required to put sincere efforts to complete all ongoing projects by optimal utilization of available funds and submission of completion reports as well as end-line evaluation reports in a time bound manner.

The Video Conference ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

Annexure

List of Officers from Department of Land Resources and States participated in the Meeting held on 25.09.2020

A. The following were present on behalf of DoLR:

1. Shri Ajay Tirkey, Secretary, DoLR
2. Shri Umakant, Joint Secretary (WM)
3. Shri Praveen Kumar Raghav, DIGF (WM)
4. Dr. C.P. Reddy, Senior Addl. Commissioner (WD)
5. Shri Rajesh Kumar Singh, Director (WM)
6. Shri Pradeep Kumar, Technical Officer (WM)
7. Shri Manoj Kumar Gaour, Research Investigator (WM)

B. Chairman / Pr. Secretary / Secretary / Chief Executive Officers/ Officials of the following SLNAs participated in the Video Conference:

1. Andhra Pradesh,
2. Assam
3. Gujarat
4. Himachal Pradesh
5. Jharkhand
6. Jammu & Kashmir
7. Kerala
8. Madhya Pradesh
9. Maharashtra
10. Rajasthan
11. Telangana