

**Minutes of the Meeting with Swachh Bharat Mission (Grameen), Assam
and Panchayat & Rural Development (P&RD) Department**

Venue: Office Chamber of the Principal Secretary, P&RD

Date: 19-03-2021

Members present:

1. Dr. J. B. Ekka, IAS, Principal Secretary, P &RD, Govt. of Assam
2. Dr. Siddharth Singh, IAS, Commissioner & Secretary, PHE, Govt. of Assam
3. Er. Biswadeep Das, Chief Engineer (PHE), Sanitation,
4. Er. Munin Das, Chief Engineer (PHE), Water
5. Mr. Pabitra Kalita, Joint Director, SIPRD
6. Mr. Surajit Buragohain, Joint Director, SIPRD
7. State Officials from PHED
8. State Officials from P&RD

Decision on Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM)

1. As per the operational guidelines all the Pipe Water Supply Schemes after completion will be handed over to the GPs for the operation and maintenance (O&M) and sustainability. The GPs will carry out the operation and maintenance activities of the handed over schemes through the Water Users Committee. The O&M costs including the provision of the operators will be borne from the water charges to be collected from the public. Any gap in the revenue collection can be met up from the available fund from 15th Finance Commission Grant.
2. As already more than 100 nos of functional schemes have been handed over to the GPs throughout the State, a joint team from P&RD and PHED will visit some of these schemes to have an on the spot assessment on the functionality of the schemes and issues faced by the concerned departments in running these schemes.
3. PHED will prepare an SOP detailing the modalities for handing over the completed functional schemes to the GPs.
4. P&RD and PHED will nominate state level nodal officers for the convergence activities related to water supply schemes.
5. From the 15th Finance Commission grant GPs will implement the schemes for providing running water supply facilities in schools and Anganwadi Centre (AWC) .PHED will submit the lists of all such schools where the department has not taken up the schemes from JJM funds and will extend all the technical supports required by the GPs.


Decisions on Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin), Assam

1. Funds related to SBM-G Phase II activities at village/GP level (70%) will be transferred to respective GP account by District Water and Sanitation Committee in two installments.
2. District wise list of Vendor details(GP account details) to be provided by P&RD to SBM-G
3. District wise list of focal points with name, designation and contact details to be provided by P&RD to SBM-G. SBM-G will share the district wise list of their focal points to P&RD.
4. District wise list of new ongoing construction of Community Managed Sanitary Complex (CMSC) taken up by GPs to be provided by P&RD to SBM-G for release of advance from SBM-G fund.

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5. It is already stated in the minutes of the Joint meeting held on 07-10-2020 that GPs will start the construction process utilizing 30% of their 15th FC tied funds. A modification in the modalities of fund transfer from DWSC to GP account is decided wherein 50% of total fund of SBM-G will be transferred initially to GP account for maintaining the continuum of the construction of CMSC and Material Collection Facility (MCF).
 6. Directives for uniform remuneration to all Drivers operating waste collection vehicles and other field functionaries working in Solid Liquid Waste Management (SLWM) facilities and CMSCs in GPs to be issued by P&RD
 7. Additional estimates and design to be provided by SBM-G to P&RD for
 - a. CMSC- Solar PV power supply in areas with no electricity and single hand tube well with boring system in areas with no water source
 - b. MCF - boundary fencing and,
 - c. Directives regarding beautification of SBM-G Phase II infrastructures
 8. Directives from P&RD to be issued to GPs for utilization of 15th FC Fund in :
 - a. Provision of charging port (15 Ampere) of battery rickshaws
 - b. External electrification/distribution lines to the pump for continuous supply of water in CMSCs
 - c. Equipment like boots, gloves, uniforms etc. for drivers and field functionaries
 - d. Boundary Fencing of MCF & Mini MCF/ Green fencing may be provided
 - e. Floor plastering of Mini MCF
 - f. Beautification of MCF
 9. Dustbins may be provided at community level & household level (need based) from 15th FC fund of Aanchalik Panchayats & Zilla Parishad
 10. It is also suggested that engaging Self Help Groups or local NGOs for operation and maintenance of SWM infrastructures & CMSC by GPs will ensure sustainability. GPs may enter into a bipartite agreement with local SHGs/NGOs for the same.

The meeting ended with Vote of thanks from the Commissioner and Secretary, PHED.

Yours faithfully,



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1. The Addl. Chief Secretary, PHE etc. Department, Govt. of Assam, Assam Sachivalaya, Dispur-6, for information & necessary action.
2. The Members Present, for information & necessary action.


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