

To meet the emerging challenges in the rural drinking water sector relating to availability, sustainability and quality, the erstwhile Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme was renamed as Accelerated National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP) w.e.f 2009-10. The components of NRDWP are: Coverage, Sustainability, Water quality, DDP areas, O&M and Support.

The Programme “National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP)” is administered by the Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitations, GOI in the country. The focus of the programme is “to ensure drinking water security both in terms of adequacy and quality of water to all people on a sustainable basis by adopting holistic approach through conjunctive use of surface, ground and rain water harvesting besides recharging of sources and mobilizing the system”.

In order to implement this programme in the State, the following Administrative structure has been created:-

State Level Structure:

1. State Water & Sanitation Mission (SWSM):-

The SWSM was previously constituted during the year 2003 for implementation of the SWAJAL Dhara Programme Vide Govt. order No. 203-PW(Hyd) of 2003 dated 4-12-2003, under the chairmanship of Chief Secretary and registered as a society vide No. 2856-RS/866 dated 28-10-2004. However, no meeting has taken place since 2009-10.

The SWSM has been reconstituted in April, 2013, with the following composition:

1. Chief Secretary, J&K	Chairman
2. Administrative Secretary, Planning and Dev. Department, J&K	Member
3. Administrative Secretary, Finance Department, J&K	Member
4. Administrative Secretary, PHE, I&FC Department, J&K	Member Secretary
5. Administrative Secretary, Rural Development Department, J&K	Member
6. Administrative Secretary, Health and Medical Education Department, J&K	Member
7. Administrative Secretary, Social Welfare Department, J&K	Member
8. Administrative Secretary, School Education Department, J&K	Member

The Administrative Secretary, PHE, I&FC Department is the Member Secretary of the Mission responsible for all the SWSM activities and the Mission Committee may opt any expert in the field of Hydrology, Information Education & Communication (IEC), Human Resources Development (HRD), Computerization (MIS), Media, NGOs etc., as and when required.

The Mission has following functions:-

- i) Provide policy guidance;
- ii) Convergence of water supply and sanitation activities including Special Projects;

- iii) Coordination with various State Government Departments and other partners in relevant activities;
- iv) Monitoring and evaluation of physical and financial performance and management of the water supply and sanitation projects.
- v) Maintaining the accounts for Programme Fund and Support Fund and carrying out the required audits for the accounts.

2. State Level Scheme Sanctioning Committee (SLSSC):-

State Level Scheme Sanctioning Committee (SLSSC) was constituted vide Govt. order No.193-PW(Hyd) of 2009 dated 12-06-2009. Only one meeting in 2009-10 was held. However, the same has been reconstituted in April, 2013 with the following composition:-

1	Administrative Secretary, PHE, I&FC Department J&K	Chairman
2	Chief Engineer, PHE Department Kashmir	Member
3	Chief Engineer, PHE Department Jammu	Member
4	Joint Development Commissioner (Works)	Member
5	Director / Joint Director (Planning), PHE, I&FC Department	Member- Secretary
6	Regional Director, Central Ground Water Board (CGWB), GOI, Jammu	Member
7	FA/CAO, PHE, I&FC Department	Member
8	Representative of Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation, GOI	Member
9	Executive Director, Communication & Capacity Development Unit (CCDU)	Member
10	District Superintending Engineer, PWD Circle Leh	Member
11.	District Superintending Engineer, Hydraulic Circle Kargil	Member

The committee may co-opt any Technical Expert from reputed State and/or National related institutions who is/are nominated by the Chairman, as and when required.

The SLSSC has following functions:

- I. To finalize and approve Annual Action Plans on the habitations to be targeted adhering to the prioritization of habitations to be covered as laid down in the Guidelines, schemes to be taken up and other activities to be taken up in the year.
- II. To finalize Annual Action Plan of all support activities under Communication & Capacity Development Unit (CCDU), Water Quality Monitoring & Surveillance Programme (WQM &S), Computerization (MIS), Research & Development (R&D), Monitoring & Evaluation (M&E) etc to be implemented by Water & Sanitation Support Organization (WSSO).
- III. To ensure that all the approved projects are entered on the Central Online MIS for accounting of habitations addressed/covered during the year.
- IV. To sanction new schemes and to review progress of the schemes approved earlier by the Committee. Any new scheme/s to be approved by the SLSSC shall have a 'source certificate along with GPS coordinates of the source' issued by the

concerned HOD certifying sustainability and quality of water for the entire design period of the scheme.

3. Water Support and Sanitation Organization (WSSO):-

1.	Administrative Secretary PHE, I&FC Department	Chairman
2.	Director Information, J&K	Member
3.	Chief Engineer, PHE Department Kashmir	Member
4.	Chief Engineer, PHE Department Jammu	Member
5.	Director /Joint Director (Planning), PHE, I&FC	Member- Secretary
6.	FA/CAO, PHE, I&FC Department.	Member
7.	System Executive, Information Technology Unit, Civil Secretariat.	Member
8.	Executive Director, Communication & Capacity Development Unit (CCDU), J&K.	Member

State Water & Sanitation Support Organization (WSSO) would only deal with software aspect of Rural Water Supply sector and may not be involved in implementation of water supply schemes.

The main functions of WSSO are as under:

1. To act as a facilitating agency and function as a bridge between the PHED/ Board and the Community Organizations, assisting the Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) and Village Water & Sanitation Committees (VWSCs) to prepare water security plan and plan, implement and maintain RWS projects based on the water security plan;
2. Take up HRD and IEC activities through CCDU;
3. Take up evaluation studies, impact assessment studies, Research & Development (R&D) activities and share the findings with PHED for corrective action;
4. Take up MIS and computerization programmes, Geographic Information System (GIS) mapping and online monitoring systems, including those for water quality monitoring & surveillance.

4. Communication & Capacity Development Unit(CCDU):

The main objective of the CCDU are as under:-

- (i) to develop State specific information, education and communication strategy for reform initiatives in Water and Sanitation; and,
- (ii) to provide capacity development of functionaries at all levels.

Functions:

The Unit is to provide IEC/HRD support to the State Water and Sanitation Mission and District Water & Sanitation Missions (DWSMs). The Unit will:

- (i) Provide HRD/IEC inputs to all the NRDWP projects in the State;
- (ii) Documentation of successful IEC/HRD initiatives taken /within the State, other States and agencies and dissemination of the same to field functionaries.

The CCDU has been made functional with the following staff:-

1. Executive Director
2. State Coordinator
3. HRD Consultant
4. IEC Consultant

As per the programme, there is no provision for establishment of Divisional level coordination committee. However, in view of the peculiar geographical situation of the State, Divisional level coordination committees, both at Srinagar and Jammu, to be headed by the concerned Divisional Commissioners, and the Divisional HODs as Members with Executive Director CCDU as Member Secy. are proposed to be constituted. The composition of the committee will be as under:-

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| 1. Divisional Commissioner Jammu/Kashmir | Chairman |
| 2. Executive Director, CCDU, J&K | Member –Secy. |
| 3. Chief Engineer PHE Deptt. Jammu/Kashmir | Member |
| 4. Director Rural Dev. Deptt. Jammu/Kashmir | Member |
| 5. Director School Education Deptt. Jammu/Kashmir | Member |
| 6. Director Social Welfare Deptt. Jammu/Kashmir | Member |
| 7. Director Health Services Deptt. Jammu/Kashmir | Member |

The committee will oversee the activities of the CCDU in the respective Divisions.

District Level Structure:

1. District Water & Sanitation Mission (DWSM):-

During the current financial year, the DWSMs for all districts have been constituted with following composition:-

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| i. District Development Commissioner | Chairman |
| ii. Superintending Engineer(Hydraulic) | Member Secretary |
| iii. Chief Planning Officer | Member |
| iv. Chief Education officer | Member |
| v. Chief Medical Officer | Member |
| vi. Chief Agriculture Officer | Member |
| vii. District Social Welfare Officer | Member |
| viii. District Panchayat Officer | Member |
| ix. District Information Officer | Member |
| x. Executive Engineer (Civil) | Member |
| iv. Executive Engineer, PHE (Mechanical) | Member |
| xi. Executive Engineer (I&FC) | Member |

The DWSM Committee may co-opt any other member/expert as and when required.

The functions and responsibilities of the DWSM Committee are :-

- I. formulation, management and monitoring of projects and progress on drinking water security and total sanitation in rural areas;
- II. scrutiny and approval of the schemes submitted by the Village Water & Sanitation Committees / Gram Sabhas and forwarding them to State Level Scheme Sanctioning Committee (SLSSC) where necessary;
- III. selection of agencies and / NGOs and enter into agreements for social mobilization, capacity development, communication, project management and supervision,
- IV. sensitizing the public representatives, officials and the general public regarding the NRDWP & the management of schemes of Water & Sanitation;
- V. engaging Institutions for imparting training for capacity development of all stakeholders, and undertaking communication campaign;
- VI. coordination of matters relating to water and sanitation between district representatives of Health, Education, Forests, Agriculture, Rural Development, to converge the NRDWP with other national programmes such as National Rural Health Mission (NRHM), Total Sanitation Mission, Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), Integrated Child Development Scheme (ICDS), etc. ;

Village Level Structure:

Village Water & Sanitation Committees (VWSC):-

During the current financial year, the VWSCs for 4759 villages have been constituted with following composition:-

1.	Sarpanch of the Village	Chairperson
2.	Jr. Engineer/ Works Supervisor of PHE Deptt.	Member Secretary
3.	ASHA Worker/s	Member/s
4.	Local School Head Master / Master preferably of science stream	Member/s
5.	VLW of the Rural Development Deptt.	Member
6.	Anganwadi Worker/s (AWW)	Member/s
7.	All Panchs of the village	Members
8.	Junior Engineer (PHE Mech)	Member

The subsequent orders have been issued by the concerned AEE's with complete Name/Address/contact details of the Chairperson /Members. Adequate representation has been ensured for SC, ST, Women and poorer sections of the village.

The responsibilities of the Village Water & Sanitation Committee are:-

- I. Planning, designing, and implementing all drinking water and sanitation activities;
- II. Providing facts and figures to the Gram Sabha / Gram Panchayat for reviewing water and sanitation issues.
- III. Providing inputs for the Village Water Security Plan;
- IV. Ensuring community participation and decision making in all phases of scheme activities;
- V. Organizing community contributions towards capital costs, both in cash and kind (land, labour or materials), if any;

- VI. Opening and managing bank account for depositing community cash contributions & O&M funds for management of the WSSs;
- VII. Commissioning and takeover of completed water supply schemes and sanitation works through a joint inspection with Line Department Staff;
- VIII. Collection of funds through a tariff, charges and deposit system for O&M of water supply and sanitation works for proper managing and financing of O&M of the services on a sustainable basis; and empowering of women for day to day operation and repairs of the scheme;

The functions of the Village Water & Sanitation Committee:-

- a) Ascertain drinking water adequacy at the household level including cattle needs.
- b) Identify all sources of drinking water for different purpose.
- c) Test all the sources as well as tap water at consumer level by Field Testing Kits (FTKs).
- d) Collect sample for testing and transfer to the Sub-divisional Water Testing Laboratory for testing both chemical and biological parameters. Stress should be laid on 'chemical testing' where the source is Underground Water like tube well , Mark_II Hand pump and on 'bacteriological' (biological) testing where water source is Surface Water like a stream, a nallah, a rivulet, a river, a spring, a check dam, a pond or a water harvesting structure.
- e) Record details of water supply sources and system in the village/GP.
- f) Tariff collection from every household and management of water supply scheme at the Gram Panchayat level.
- g) Carry out awareness activities on water related issues.
- h) Any other task assigned by GP Chairperson related to rural water supply activities.

Total No. of Villages in the State	6652
VWSCs constituted so far	4759

Action Plan 2013-14:

Financial targets 2013-14:

Central Assistance under NRDWP	: ` 522.90 cr.
Unspent balance as on 1-4-2013	: ` 133.45 cr.
Total availability (CS)	: ` 656.35 cr.
State Share allocated during 2013-14	: ` 56.41 cr.
Total availability 2013-14	: ` 712.76 cr.

Physical targets 2013-14:

Coverage of Partially Covered / Slipped Back habitations	: 948
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No. of Schools to be covered	: 6152
No. of Persons to be trained for Water Quality testing	:17000
No. of water quality tests to be done in Labs	: 49680
No of Divisional labs (referral labs) to be setup	: 2
No. of sub-divisional labs to be setup	: 59
(Kashmir=25, Jammu=29, Ladakh=5)	
No. of Sustainability Structures to be constructed	: 287