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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Minutes of the Review Meeting held under the chairmanship of Joint Secretary (RFS) on 13th December, 2016 at ICAR, CR-I, Gate No.-2 Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi to review the implementation and progress of PMKSY Per Drop more Crop component.

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith the minutes of the Review Meeting held under the chairmanship of Joint Secretary (RFS) on 13th December, 2016 at ICAR, CR-I, Gate No.-2 Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi to review the implementation and progress of PMKSY Per Drop more Crop component.

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Minutes of the Review of PMKSY held on 13-12-2016 under the Chairmanship of JS (RFS) at CRI, Gate No. 2, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi

A meeting was held on 13-12-2016 under the chairmanship of Joint Secretary(RFS) with representatives of State Governments to review the implementation and progress of PMKSY-Per Drop More Crop component. All the States, excepting Goa, Jammu & Kashmir, Tamilnadu, Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Mizoram and Nagaland attended the meeting. The list of participants is annexed.

2. Following issues were discussed during the meeting:-

- i. At the outset, Joint Secretary extended warm welcome to all participants and expressed his concerns over the slower pace of implementation of the programme and advised the states to take all initiatives to achieve the desired target during the current financial year. He also mentioned that PMKSY has been identified for DBT on boarding and advised all the states to make all arrangements to link Aadhar based information system of all beneficiaries from 1st of April, 2017. States who do not have a IT based registration platform for beneficiaries with Aadhar linkage may consult States like Gujarat, Andhra Pradesh etc. to set up a system to help Aadhar based registration from April, 2017 onwards.
- ii. States representatives were apprised of the fact that month of December is a crucial time for release of central fund as the release in last quarter is restricted to 30%. Few states namely J&K, Kerala, Punjab, Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Sikkim and Tripura are yet to provide the utilisation and progress report for the funds released during previous years without which the release of 1st installment could not be processed. These states were requested to immediately submit the required utilisation and make request for the release of fund if intended for. States namely Goa, Himachal Pradesh, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand and Mizoram are yet to provide the utilisation and progress report regarding funds released in the 1st instalment. They were requested to provide the progress report by end of December so that the release of 2nd installment could be processed. In case some states are not inclined to avail the 2nd installment they should intimate the same at the earliest so that the savings could be made use by the good performing states.
- iii. The state representatives were apprised that PMKSY is a flagship scheme and frequently monitored at the highest level. More emphasis is being given by the Govt. on Water conservation and water use efficiency and for that there has been a progressive enhancement in the budget outlay every year for Per Drop More Crop component of the scheme. It was informed that there is likely budget enhancement of 25-30% in the coming year outlay for micro irrigation. States were advised to initiate process for making adequate state share and preparation of annual action plan so that the approval of SLSC is obtained and fund made available to implementing agencies timely. Tentative allocation will be conveyed to the States during 1st /2nd week of January, but states may keep at least 25% more annual action plan so that in case any additional allocation/sanction is made during the year, it can be immediately taken up without seeking separate approval of supplementary action plan from SLSC.
- iv. The issue of poor penetration of micro irrigation in many States of the country was discussed. Barring few states like Gujarat, Andhra Pradesh, Telanagana, Maharashtra and Karnataka, the coverage of micro irrigation in the remaining states is very poor. Considering the focus of the government on water

conservation and water use efficiency, other states should also make all effort in extending the coverage of micro irrigation.

- v. It was observed that the progress reporting in MIS is tardy. It was observed by GGRC, Gujarat that they are facing difficulty in uploading progress in the new format introduced for reporting crop specific progress in PMKSY. As per the new format for reporting progress on MIS, there is an option for crop-wise district-wise data entry on the PMKSY portal. For data entry of such records online, there is a tedious Online Transaction Processing. State Govt. requested to provide them with a fixed excel sheet format for uploading the data directly into PMKSY application through an interface. Programmes of PMKSY were advised to look into the issue and make simple provisions in the MIS.
- vi. It was also observed that Micro Irrigation is an integral part of PMKSY. The sources created under PMKSY should as far as possible be linked with MI. Sources created under other interventions sub component of Per Drop More ^{crop} component should be linked with micro irrigation in most possible cases. During the finalisation of Annual Action Plan comprehensive cluster plan for both micro irrigation and Other interventions should be planned to ensure effective synergy of both sub components.
- vii. Project Director, NCPAH suggested that a National Seminar may be organised to look into the feasibility of using liquid fertilizers/fertigation. NCPAH may initiate organising the seminar in consultation with all concerned stakeholders.
- viii. States that have been given additional allocation of funds were asked to get the Additional Action Plans approved by SLSC. In case there is delay in convening the meeting of SLSC. Approval of SLSC Chairman may be taken on file and the action plan be immediately sent to process release of fund. Post facto approval of the additional action plan from SLSC may be obtained in the next meeting of SLSC.
- ix. States were requested to prepare video clips of success stories of micro irrigation programmes with English sub title for sharing with Doordarshan and other media related requirements.
- x. State specific issues regarding implementation of micro irrigation is given at Annexure-A and issues related to other intervention sub component is given at Annexure-B.

Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.

State specific issues with respect to implementation of Micro irrigation sub component of PMKSY**Andhra Pradesh**

Out of Rs.252.00 crore of central grant released to the state under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Micro Irrigation under PMKSY during the financial year 2016-17 and Rs.50.54 crore of unspent balance of previous financial year, the state has utilized Rs.174.47 crore and has brought an area of 67670 ha under micro irrigation till the date of meeting. The state was advised to submit its proposal for release of balance funds of Rs.8.00 crore as per revised allocation.

It was briefed by the state representative that their micro irrigation project is unique which has provisions for online registration of applications, scrutiny, billing and monitoring, a real time on-line monitoring system. It is Aadhar enabled. There is facility of periodic communication with farmers through SMSs at different stages of project completion. APMIP has provided for mobile application for capturing geo-coordinates and field photo with MI system directly linked to server and online system. Toll free number is available to receive farmer complaints and escalation of issues to officials based on hierarchy within stipulated time line.

With regard to mode of subsidy disbursement, the subsidy amount is released directly to MI companies through online system after taking consent from the farmer and SMS alert in local language is also sent to farmer at the time of release of subsidy.

Bihar

The state could not be released any funds as central grant under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Micro Irrigation under PMKSY during financial year 2016-17. Out of Rs.37.02 crore on account of unspent balance of previous year, the state has utilized Rs.1.51 crore and brought an area of 717 ha under micro irrigation till the date of meeting. The state's representative informed that progress has been slow as the state government released funds late. However, applications from farmers have been received for installation of micro irrigation systems and the state will be able to utilize unspent balance but will not require more funds against this year's AAP and the allocation. Regarding the proposal received from state government for revalidation of funds released in 2014-15, the representative was advised state to submit proper justification and reasons for non-utilization of funds along with audited UCs for 2014-15, 2015-16 and PUC for 2016-17 to consider the request.

It was briefed by the state representative that all applicants under PMKSY provide Aadhar linked information and work orders are issued only for these beneficiaries for installation of Micro Irrigation Systems. The subsidy payments are made through DBT mode. It was informed that on getting DBT link in PMKSY portal, the beneficiary information will be uploaded.

Chhattisgarh

Out of Rs.12.00 crore of central grant released to the state under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Micro Irrigation under PMKSY during financial year 2016-17 and Rs.2.25 crore on account of unspent balance of previous financial year, the state has utilized Rs.8.57 crore and has brought an area of 6117 ha under micro irrigation till the date of meeting. Against the revised allocation of Rs.30.00 crore to the state, proposal for release of Rs.12.00 crore has been approved and the funds are under the release process. The state may submit another proposal for release of balance funds of Rs.6.00

crore as per revised allocation along with information on availability of corresponding States share and amount utilize thereof.

Gujarat

Out of Rs.187.50 crore of central grant released to the state under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Micro Irrigation under PMKSY during financial year 2016-17 and Rs.7.75 crore on account of unspent balance of previous financial year, the state has utilized Rs.165.16 crore and has brought an area of 96761 ha under micro irrigation till the date of meeting.

The state representative informed that GGRC has its own developed in-house IT framework for implementation of Micro Irrigation Scheme in the State of Gujarat. It has Geo-fencing based design and cost estimate preparation. Geo points (Lat-Long) on Google Map/Bhuvan Map are used to get real size and shape of field for preparing design and cost estimate and transferring Geo-points as per shape and size of the field to AUTOCAD for preparing irrigation system design. QR Code /GPS based Mobile Knox controlled android based application is used for MIS Installation Verification. Land survey number of applicant beneficiary is verified with state government website.

The state representative suggested that for on-line progress data entry on PMKSY portal, facility of fixed format excel sheet may be provided to users for uploading directly into the PMKSY portal through an interface. This will not only allow easy uploading of data timely but also avoid data entry mistakes.

Haryana

Out of Rs.24.00 crore released as central grant to the state under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Micro Irrigation under PMKSY during financial year 2016-17 and Rs.15.99 crore on account of unspent balance of previous financial year, the state has utilized Rs.1.30 crore and has brought an area of 572 ha under micro irrigation till the date of meeting. The state's representative informed that this year progress has been slow and that **why they will not require more funds under this year's AAP implying thereby that this will result in a likely saving of Rs.16.00 crore.**

It was conveyed to the state representative that last meeting of SLSC may be treated as in-fructuous since the representative of DAC&FW was not present in the meeting and the state is required to get fresh approvals from Chief Secretary.

The state representative informed that for implementation of MI scheme, MI-NET (Web Portal) is used for on-line processing of cases and GPS co-ordinates are uploaded before installation & at physical verification after installation of MI systems. The subsidy payment is released through DBT mode.

Himachal Pradesh

Out of Rs.50.00 lakh released as central grant to the state under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Micro Irrigation under PMKSY during financial year 2016-17 and Rs.2.57 crore on account of unspent balance of previous financial year, the state has utilized Rs.1.71 crore and brought an area of 654 ha under micro irrigation till the date of meeting. The state's representative informed that as state's share was received late there has been slow progress but now the pace has picked up. Regarding claiming balance funds as per current year's allocation, the state's representative informed that they will let us know by 15th of January 2017.

Jharkhand

Out of Rs.12.00 crore released as central grant to the state under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Micro Irrigation under PMKSY during financial year 2016-17 and Rs.35.33 lakh on account of unspent balance of previous year, the state has not shown any physical and financial progress during the current year till the date of meeting. The state's representative informed that there has been delay in implementation of scheme as state's website for online processing of applications is being developed. But applications are being received from farmers at the district level and all those cases will be put online and they will be able to utilize the available funds. The state representative was requested to submit proposal for release of balance funds as per current year's allocation along with UC, progress report and other documents.

Karnataka

Out of Rs.78.00 crore released as central grant to the state under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Micro Irrigation under PMKSY during financial year 2016-17 and Rs.36.25 crore on account of unspent balance of previous year, the state has utilized Rs.57.28 crore and brought an area of 42220 ha under micro irrigation till the date of meeting. Against revised allocation of Rs.169.00 crore to the state, proposal for release of balance funds of Rs.91.00 crore has been received from state government. State was requested to submit additional action plan duly approved by SLSC and consolidated UCs to facilitate processing release of 2nd installment.

The state representative informed that Karnataka is having a separate Micro Irrigation Management software for implementation of Micro Irrigation Scheme - from registration of beneficiary till the subsidy is paid to beneficiary. In Karnataka, subsidy is directly paid to beneficiary through DBT route and in case, the beneficiary is unable to invest full amount and pay only his share to the company, subsidy is paid to company on behalf of beneficiary after obtaining consent letter from him with the condition that Aadhar linked biometric system will be followed.

Kerala

The state could not be released any funds as central grant under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Micro Irrigation under PMKSY during financial year 2016-17 so far. Out of Rs.3.38 crore on account of unspent balance of previous financial year, the state has utilized Rs.59.00 lakh and brought an area of 294 ha under micro irrigation till the date of meeting. As regards release of funds to state certain deficiencies have been pointed out in the proposal submitted by state government and the state has been requested to provide necessary information. However, **considering availability of unspent balance of previous year and poor utilization status of current year, it is unlikely that the state will be availing any fund from current year allocation.**

Madhya Pradesh

Out of Rs.84.00 crore released as central grant to the state under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Micro Irrigation under PMKSY during financial year 2016-17 and Rs.58.24 crore on account of unspent balance of previous financial year, the state has utilized Rs.61.45 crore and brought an area of 2276 ha under micro irrigation till the date of meeting. The state's representative informed that about 91,000 applications have been received till date and work is in progress in 33,000 ha. Further, proposal for release of balance funds amounting to Rs.56.00 crore as per this year's allocation will be submitted by the state government by 15th January 2017 and entire funds will be utilized by March end.

The state representative informed that DBT is being followed in the state and for its linking with AADHAR, instructions have been issued.

Maharashtra

Out of Rs.150.00 crore released as central grant to the state under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Micro Irrigation under PMKSY during financial year 2016-17 and Rs.34.15 crore (Rs.34.15 crore of USB + Rs.42.90 crore being surrendered to GoI = Rs.77.05 crore) on account of unspent balance of previous financial year, the state has utilized Rs.10.53 crore and brought an area of 3304 ha under micro irrigation till the date of meeting. The state's representative informed that 2.73 lakh online applications have been received for covering an area of 2.58 lakh ha. Initial slow progress has now picked up momentum and the state will be able to utilize its full revised allocation during the current year.

The proposal for release of balance funds amounting to Rs.180.00 crore as per revised allocation has been received from state government. But certain deficiencies are observed which need to be clarified to facilitate processing the release.

Regarding the proposal of state government for revalidation of funds, the state representative was informed to submit proper justification and reasons for non-utilization of funds along with copies of audited UCs for 2014-15, 2015-16 and PUC for 2016-17 for obtaining the concurrence of IFD.

The state representative informed that E-Thibak software is used for online processing of applications and subsidy amount is being transferred to beneficiary bank account through RTGS.

Odisha

Out of Rs.10.80 crore released as central grant to the state under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Micro Irrigation under PMKSY during financial year 2016-17 and Rs.4.64 crore on account of unspent balance of previous financial year, the state has utilized Rs.1.45 crore and has brought an area of 1353 ha under micro irrigation till the date of meeting. The state's representative informed that the progress has been slow as the state has discontinued top up subsidy. The scheme implementing agency is approaching the state government to re-consider the decision. **Looking into availability of substantial fund and poor utilization till 3rd Quarter, it is unlikely to avail 2nd instalment of the allocated amount .**

The state representative informed that on-line system of application processing is being followed. Steps have been taken to link 'AADHAR' to on-line system to implement 'DBT' module and NIC, Bhubaneswar has been requested to develop a module for the same through HORTNET. Presently, subsidy is being transferred to bank accounts of beneficiaries through RTGS.

Punjab

The state could not be released any funds as central grant under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Micro Irrigation under PMKSY during financial year 2016-17. Out of Rs.3.51 crore of unspent balance of previous financial year, the state has utilized Rs.1.87 crore during the current year and has brought an area of 1242 ha under micro irrigation till the date of meeting. As regards release of funds against current year's allocation, the state government has been advised to go ahead with their action plan of Rs.400.00 crore as GoI share, the proposal of state government for release of Rs.1.00 crore funds could be processed only when the state has utilized 90% of funds released during previous years as stipulated in PMKSY guidelines. Once the progress and UC are reported, the proposal for release of Rs.1.00 crore would be considered.

The state representative informed that process of developing state level IT Framework for implementation of MI scheme has been initiated. As the farmers have to

pay full cost of project up front, the implementation of DBT in respect of MI scheme may not be feasible as it will discourage farmers adopting MI. Instructions have been issued to begin AADHAAR linking of beneficiary data during 2016-17.

Rajasthan

Out of Rs.72.00 crore released as central grant to the state under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Micro Irrigation under PMKSY during financial year 2016-17 and Rs.20.34 crore on account of unspent balance of previous financial year, the state has utilized Rs.33.41 crore and brought an area of 11776 ha under micro irrigation till the date of meeting. The state's representative informed that because of revision in funding pattern and the decision of state government to discontinue top up subsidy for sprinkler irrigation which has predominant adoption in the state, the pace of implementation has slowed down. However, the state will be able to utilize available funds of approximately Rs.92.34 crore but **will not seek release of balance funds as per its current year's allocation implying thereby that this will result in a likely saving of Rs.48.00 crore.**

Telangana

Out of Rs.119.00 crore released as central grant to the state under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Micro Irrigation under PMKSY during financial year 2016-17 along with unspent balance of previous financial year, the state has utilized Rs.87.67 crore and has brought an area of 24564 ha under micro irrigation till the date of meeting. Against the revised allocation of Rs.165.00 crore to the state, proposal for release of balance Rs.46.00 crore along with approved AAP is still awaited from the state government.

The state representative informed that Telangana Micro Irrigation Project (TMIP) is a unique and comprehensive project being implemented in big way through "Online Web Portal" in the State. Farmers avail subsidy by submitting applications through Web Portal which is available in all Mee-Seva Centers with Mandatory documents. SMS alert are sent to the registered mobile number of farmers upon completion of registration/preliminary approval and administrative sanctions. Public Domain screen has been developed on the Home page, and anybody across the country can view status of applications etc. Bio-metric registration will be introduced shortly.

Uttar Pradesh

Out of Rs.12.00 crore released as central grant to the state under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Micro Irrigation under PMKSY during financial year 2016-17 and Rs.5.97 crore on account of unspent balance of previous financial year, the state has utilized Rs.3.45 crore and has brought an area of 5255 ha under micro irrigation till the date of meeting. Against the revised allocation of Rs.15.00 crore to the state, proposal for release of balance funds is still awaited from the State Government. State Representative informed that all field works for use of the funds have been made and the remaining amount will be used by end of January, 2017. **There will be likely saving of Rs.3.00 crore, if proposal for release of balance funds is not received from the state government.**

The state representative informed that online registration through web portal and the subsidy is being transferred to bank accounts of beneficiaries through DBT.

Uttarakhand

Out of Rs.5.00 crore released as central grant to the state under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Micro Irrigation under PMKSY during financial year 2016-17 and Rs.1.75 crore on account of unspent balance of previous financial year, the state has utilized Rs.5.06 crore and brought an area of 1720 ha under micro irrigation till the date

of meeting. Against the allocation of Rs.10.00 crore to the state, proposal for release of balance funds of Rs.5.00 crore is still awaited from the state government. State representative assured that the funds would be utilized and Utilisation Certificates along with progress report would be shared by end of January, 2017. The release of 2nd instalment would be made only after getting Utilisation Certificates & progress report.

West Bengal

Out of Rs.3.90 crore released as central grant to the state under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Micro Irrigation under PMKSY during financial year 2016-17, the state has not utilized any funds and brought any area under micro irrigation till the date of meeting. However, the representative of state informed that they will be able to utilize available funds by the close of this year and no further release is required.

Assam

The state has not been released any funds as central grant under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Micro Irrigation under PMKSY during financial year 2016-17 as the state is having unspent balances of previous year. No funds have been utilized by the state and brought any area under micro irrigation till the date of meeting despite the fact that it has unspent balance out of previous year's release. Against the current year's revised allocation of Rs.50.00 lakh to the state, proposal for release of funds is still awaited from the state government.

Meghalaya

The state has not been released any funds as central grant under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Micro Irrigation under PMKSY during financial year 2016-17 due to want of proposal for release of funds along with required documents.

Sikkim

The state has not been released any funds as central grant under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Micro Irrigation under PMKSY during financial year 2016-17 due to want of proposal for release of funds along with required information/documents.

Tripura

The state has not been released any funds as central grant under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Micro Irrigation under PMKSY during financial year 2016-17 due to want of proposal for release of funds along with required information/documents.

State specific issues with respect to implementation of other intervention sub component of PMKSY

Bihar:

- State is planning for contract farming with sugar mills to improve economic condition of farmers.
- State was asked to send progress by 15th January, 2017 for further release.

CHHATTISGARH:

- State requested for additional allocation.
- State informed that construction for water harvesting structure would be started in January, 2017.

GUJARAT:

- State representative informed that Other Intervention component is being implemented by Department of Rural Development and Gujarat Land Development Corporation.
- It was also informed that funds of Rs. 3.30 Cr. allocated for OI-IWMP in 2015-16 has been completely utilized. Funds of Rs. 40 Cr has been allocated in 2016-17 under PMKSY Other Intervention. These funds along with requisite state share (Total 66.6 Cr.) have been transferred to concern Department.
- State has also informed that activities including construction of check Dam, Farm Pond, Village Pond etc. are being carried out under PMKSY Other Intervention.
- State suggested for organizing National Level Seminar for sharing of knowledge.

JHARKHAND:

- State provided UC for 11.45 cr. for PMKSY Other Intervention (2015-16) including state share during the meeting.

KARNATAKA:

- State has informed that expenditure of 26.53 Cr. have been made under PMKSY other Intervention (2015-16).
- State has released State share of 24 Cr. against the Central Allocation of Rs 36 Cr. in PMKSY Other Intervention (2016-17).
- It was informed that 60% progress will be reported by end of Jan 2017 and State will avail release of 2nd installment.

KERALA:

- State has not provided UC for the funds allocated to states under PMKSY-OI in 2015-16. Proposal for release of 1st installment under PMKSY-OI for current FY i.e.2016-17 is pending due to non-receipt of UCs.

MADHYA PRADESH:

- State has submitted UC of Rs. 22.67 cr. (including state share) under OI to supplement watershed works during 2015-16
- State has prepared 51 DIPs.

MAHARASHTRA:

- State has not made any expenditure under PMKSY Other Intervention 2016-17

PUNJAB:

- 1st installment under PMKSY-Other Intervention (2016-17) could not be released to State as the state has not submitted AAP as per guidelines of PMKSY.

TELANGANA:

- State has submitted UC for PMKSY –Other Intervention (2016-17).
- State has requested for the release of 2nd Installment in the Other Intervention.

UTTAR PRADESH:

- 312 integrated Ponds are to be developed under PMKSY Other Intervention in 2016-17.

UTTRAKHAND:

- State representative informed that they will submit UC by Jan 15th 2017.

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