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Record of Discussions of the meeting taken by the Prime Minister on the Scheme of Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana (PMKSY) on 30/12/2014 at 11 A.M. at 7 RCR, New Delhi

The Prime Minister conducted a review meeting for implementation of Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana (PMKSY) on 30/10/2014. Secretary, Department of Agriculture & Cooperation (DoAC) gave a detailed presentation which was followed by discussion on the above subject. The list of Participants is annexed.

2. The basic objective of the Scheme should be two-fold, i.e. *Har Khet Ko Paani* (Access to irrigation) and *Per Drop More Crop* (Efficient use of available water). In this regard, this scheme will strive for increasing production by not only increasing the area under production but also through increase in productivity with efficient use of water and other scientific measures.

3. After detailed discussions, the following action points were decided for framing the guidelines of PMKSY:

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- (i) DoAC will prepare a matrix showing State-wise rainfall and irrigated area data so as to concentrate on deficient States in terms of irrigation coverage.
- (ii) DoAC, in consultation with Department of Rural Development(DoRD) will frame guidelines so as to get maximum benefit out of implementation of MGNREGA in ensuring irrigation facility to each field. For this purpose, special focus should be given on IEC and extension activities in the form of small animation films on different aspects of works which could be reached at the grass-root level for farmers and field functionaries.
- (iii) Special emphasis should be given for utilising MGNREGA fund for de-silting of ponds and canals in order to improve the storage capacity and augment water availability at the tail end of the irrigation system. Even scientific way of clearing canals etc. could be shown through interesting animation films.
- (iv) PMKSY funds could be used to top up material component of MGNREGA work wherever necessary.



- (v) Use of satellite imagery should be encouraged to identify storage ponds, distribution channels. In this regard, work can start in select districts to cover the entire district in a holistic manner. — farmers }
- (vi) In order to ensure efficient use of water, extension services should focus at targeting in how to influence cropping pattern. In selected areas, the Department may identify few progressive farmers who are sensitised towards this subject and are willing to experiment with changes in cropping pattern with available irrigation facilities.
- (vii) For developing a holistic plan at village, block and district level, procedures followed during the rolling out of PMGSY could be studied so as to have an integrated approach both in terms of coverage and pooling of financial resources.
- (viii) Steps should be taken to chart out low hanging fruits so as to show quick results. For example, enhancing capacity of existing reservoirs, bridging the gap between potential created and potential utilised, restoration of inlet, outlet and distribution channels etc. could be taken up on priority basis.
- (ix) Micro irrigation to be promoted for suitable crops for efficient use of water.
- (x) Cluster of 8 to 10 villages may be taken up in each district for showcasing efficient use of water. The success of these clusters in promoting such activities should be replicated in other parts of the district.
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- (xi) While taking up project under PMKSY, involvement of people at every stage must be ensured through institutional mechanism.
- (xii) Big projects undertaken in water sector by Ministry of Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation (MoWR, RD & GR) the focus should be to supplement PMKSY so as to ensure the basic object of Har Khet Ko Paani.
- (xiii) The practices adopted in Indian context which could be used in showing minimal impact on climate could be captured to present it before the world about the performance of India with respect to climate change.
- (xiv) There may be a catalogue of each irrigation source and distribution channel for locating it with digitized satellite imagery having necessary information on capacity, sources, inlets, outlets etc.

- (xv) For fund released to States, monitorable targets should be fixed for all critical sub-components by which small achievements in a given timeframe will be captured for each activity with respect to baseline/historic data. This may also include increase in production area, productivity and use of micro irrigation facilities. In this process, the focus should also be on to fix accountability and use technology.
- (xvi) Steps may be taken for use of urban treated waste water for irrigation purposes. For respective cities a command area may be identified for this purpose.
- (xvii) Along with availability of water or irrigation facilities, efforts should be taken for IEC activities regarding efficient use of water and water conservation.
- (xviii) Department of Land Resources (DoLR) and DoAC will work together to dovetail the "Neeranchal" project with PMKSY for provision of technical assistance, capacity building, training etc.
- (xix) With regard to retention of old/historic structure for water storage, experience of other States to be used like Jal Mandir Scheme of Gujarat.
- (xx) Mapping of State specific success stories and learning points to be captured and disseminated for replication in other States. For example, use of farm ponds.

4. ~~At the end, it was clarified that the main coordinating Department for this Scheme will be DoAC. This Department has to evolve and implement this Scheme in close consultation with DoRD, DoLR, MoWR, RD&GR and States.~~

5. Based on the above action points and details presented during the presentation, the guidelines of the Scheme may be framed for presentation before the Prime Minister by **20<sup>th</sup> January, 2015.**



AnnexureList of participants

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