

No. G-20/1/2017-GA  
Government of India  
Ministry Jal Shakti  
Department of Water Resources, RD and GR  
(General Administration)  
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Shram Shakti Bhawan, Rafi Marg,  
New Delhi, dated 04.04.2020

**Subject: Forwarding of records/information to visiting audit party of Director General of Audit, Scientific Departments for FY 2018-19.**

Please find enclosed **Audit Memo No.48** dated 04.03.2020 received from the Audit Party from O/o the Director General of Audit, Scientific Departments, New Delhi, which has come to conduct the Audit of Ministry for the year FY 2018-19.

2. The relevant information as desired by Audit Party may kindly be sent directly to them immediately to Room No. 621'B', 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Shram Shakti Bhawan.

Encl: As above.

(A.K.Kaushik)

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India  
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To

To

1. JS (IC & GW), DoWR, RD & GR.

**Copy to:**

Controller of Accounts, DoWR, RD & GR, Shastri Bhawan.



**C&AG AUDIT PARTY**  
**Office of the Director General of Audit, Scientific Departments, New Delhi**  
**Camp: Room No. 621 B, Shram Shakti Bhawan, Department of Water**  
**Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation**

**Audit Memo No. 48**

**Dated: 04.03.2020**

**Subject: Performance Audit on Ground Water Management and Regulation**

Please provide following information along with supporting documents immediately:

1. With reference to your letter dated 24.10.2019 (reply to draft report of above PA), please provide following information/document-
  - (i) Para 2.2: Copy of MoU with IIT, Hyderabad may be provided.
  - (ii) Para 2.2: While GEC-97 and GEC-2015 has recommended assessment of ground water resources every three years, EFC 2012-17 has specified assessment to be done once in two years. It may be clarified which of these periodicity has been adopted by CGWB?
2. CGWA has notified 162 areas for regulation of ground water development and management. What is the basis for declaring an area as notified area? A copy of guidelines in this regard may be provided.
3. In the approved Cabinet Note for the Ground Water Management & Regulation Scheme (GWMRS) for the XII Plan period (2012-17), CGWB had proposed to increase monitoring of wells to measure ground water level from 15,653 wells to 50,000 wells by the end of the Plan period. CGWB also proposed to undertake Real time Ground Water Monitoring in various aquifers across the country through purpose built wells equipped with Digital Water Level Recorders (DWLRs) and Telemetry<sup>5</sup> in convergence with the ground water component under National Hydrology Project (NHP)<sup>6</sup>. What is the status of these targets?

  
**Sr. Audit Officer**

**To,**

1. The JS&FA, DWR,RD&GR
2. The Joint Secretary, Ground Water Division, DWR,RD&GR

<sup>5</sup> Telemetry is the collection of measurements or other data at remote or inaccessible points and their automatic transmission to receiving equipment for monitoring.

<sup>6</sup> National Hydrology Project was approved in April 2016 as a central sector scheme with a total outlay of ₹ 3,679.76 crore with the objective of improving the extent, quality, and accessibility of water resources information, decision support system for floods and basin level resource assessment/planning and strengthening the capacity of targeted water resources professionals and management institutions in India.