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Subject: Minutes of the 103<sup>rd</sup> Weekly Review Meeting taken by Secretary(WR, RD & GR) on 18.01.2017.

The undersigned is directed to enclose herewith a copy of minutes of 103<sup>rd</sup> Weekly Review Meeting held under the Chairmanship of Secretary(WR, RD & GR) on 18.01.2017 for information and appropriate action.

Encl. As above.

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To,

All concerned wing Heads/SMDs/Head of Organizations.

## Copy for kind information to:

- 1. PS to Hon'ble Minister(WR,RD &GR)
- 2. PS to Hon'ble MOS(WR,RD &GR)
- 3. PS to Chief Advisor to Hon'ble Minister (WR, RD & GR)
- 4. PPS to Secretary(WR,RD &GR)



#### Minutes of 103rd Weekly Review Meeting held under the Chairmanship of Secretary(WR, RD & GR) on 18.01.2017

The 103<sup>rd</sup> Weekly Review Meeting was held on 18.01.2017 under the Chairmanship of Secretary(WR, RD & GR) in which progress of 5<sup>th</sup> MI census including pilot census of Major and Medium irrigation projects, restructuring of Brahmaputra Board, Dam safety Bill and R&D proposals were reviewed. Secretary(WR,RD&GR) desired that the timing of Weekly Review Meeting will be fixed at 3.00 PM every Wednesday unless some other time is given by the office of Hon'ble Minister. The following action points were identified for further action:

# 5<sup>th</sup> MI census /Pilot census of Major and Medium irrigation projects

Director(Stat) made a presentation on the progress of 5<sup>th</sup> MI census. She mentioned that out of 33 States/ UTs participating in 5<sup>th</sup> MI Census, field work has been completed by 28 States and 3 more States have completed more than 80% of field work. Out of total of 6,47,018 villages being covered in 5<sup>th</sup> MI Census, field work in 6,22,314 i.e. about **96%** villages has been completed. Adviser(Stat), CWC also made a presentation on the Pilot Census for 8 major and medium irrigation projects. He mentioned that Draft Reports of 4 projects have been received and for 3 more projects are expected to be received by January 2017. The following action points emerged:

The states which are lagging behind in field work as well as in data generation may i. be regularly followed up for expediting early completion of field works/Data generation. Gujarat, Maharashtra , Delhi Jammu & Kashmir, Assam, Bihar, Delhi, Gujarat, Haryana and Kerala and Punjab are such states. Video Conferencing should be arranged with these states.

[Director(Stat)]

Efforts be made to compete data compilation work of 5th MI census by 31st March, ίi, 2017.

[Director(Stat)]

Analysis of data of the states which have completed data compilation/ data iii. validation work should be initiated immediately . Mr. Tushar Shah should also be involved in these data analysis.

[Director, Stat.1]

decrease in number of MI Schemes covered in 5th MI Census in iv. comparison to 4<sup>th</sup> MI census data in some states. The inconsistency may be examined. If required, data at district level can be compared for this purpose.

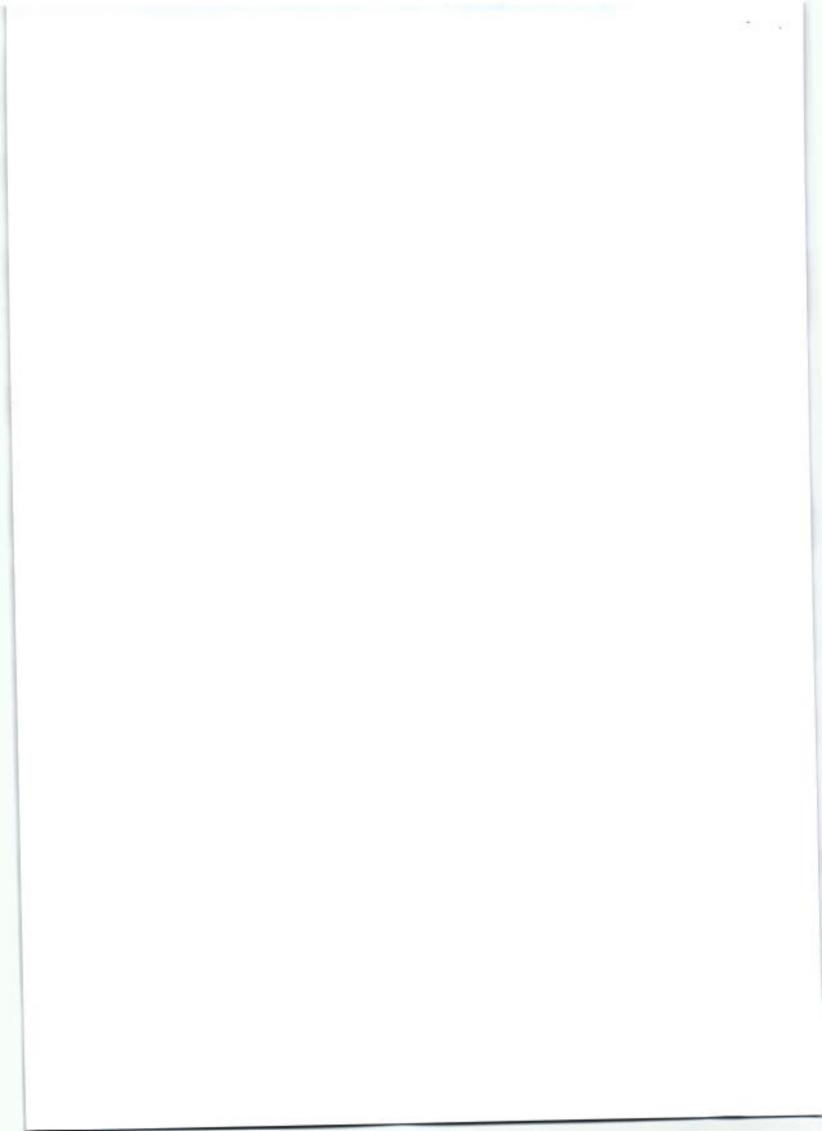
[Director(Stat)]

Draft report of the 8 pilot census of major, medium irrigation projects may be ٧. Comm(SP) and Comm(CAD) before finalization. A separate presentation be made before the Chairman, CWC in which concerned C.E. of CWC, Comm(SP), Comm(CAD) and Comm(FM) should also be present.

[Shri D.C. Sharma, Advisor, CWC]

# Status of restructuring of Brahmaputra Board

Commissioner(BB) will provide his recommendation on restructuring of Brahmaputra i. Board by 25.01.2017. A mechanism may be developed for filling up of 10 post of



Assistant Engineer at entry level. An assessment also be made that how many people would be required for Board.

ii. SFC proposal for the protection of Majauli Island with DONER funds should be finalized on priority.

iii. A presentation be made on the finalization of restructuring of Brahmaputra Board in the Weekly Review Meeting to be held on 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2017.

[Comm(B&B)]

## Dam safety Bill

JS(PP) made a presentation on the progress of Dam safety Bill. He mentioned that Tamilnadu is opposing the Bill whereas states like Karnataka, Odisha, Madhya Pradesh has supported the Bill. The following points emerged:

- i. Dam safety Bill should be finalized immediately after "National Conference on Dam safety" to be held on 17<sup>th</sup> February, 2017. In the conference, states should be properly communicated that why the Dam safety Bill is necessary.
- ii. The comments of Govt. of Jharkhand/Uttrakhand should also be obtained.
- iii. A presentation on the progress of Dam Safety Bill be made in the weekly review meeting scheduled to be held on 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 2017.

[Sr. JC(BM)/JS(PP)]

### DRIP

- Director, DRIP informed that the matter of rehabilitation of the Tribals has been sorted out with the Odisha Govt. A letter to the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Odisha should be issued immediately.
- ii. Proposal for starting up DRIP-II to be initiated at the earliest. This should be discussed/ highlighted in the National Conference on Dam safety to be held on 17<sup>th</sup> February, 2017.

[Director, DRIP, CWC]

#### **R&D** Issues

- It should be checked how many research paper/technical report out of R&D funding has been included in the policy of the Ministry.
- ii. A conference on R&D should be arranged in which all issues of R&D will be deliberated in detail. It should be ensured that best research may be presented in the conference. Experts from the Universities and ICAR should be called.
- iii. Farmers Participatory Action Research Program (FPARP) to be revived again.

[Director, R&D]

#### **Others**

Reallocation of fund for R&D scheme shall be made in this financial year so that funding of IIT projects on Climate Change can be made.

[JS&FA]

ii. Concept Note for revival of springs may be finalized on priority.

[Chairman, CWC/Chairman, CGWB]