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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI  
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES,  
RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION  
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D.O. No. F-12011/1/2021-Coord

Dear Sir,

The important issues/developments related to the Department of Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation during the month of January 2022 are as follows:-

**A. Storage Position of Important Reservoirs (CWC): -**

Central Water Commission (CWC) is monitoring live storage position of 137 important reservoirs spread all over the country. Live storage in these reservoirs as on 27.01.2022 was 116.112 billion cubic meters (BCM), which is 102% of the live storage of corresponding period of last year and 124% of live storage of average of last ten years.

**B. National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG): -**

- **Public Accounts Committee:** The Public Accounts Committee on Water Resources undertook an on-the-spot study visit in Kolkata, West Bengal and Port Blair, Car Nicobar and Havelock Island, Andaman and Nicobar from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> January, 2022 on the subject "Rejuvenation of River Ganga (Namami Gange)" based on C&AG Report No. 39 of 2017.
- **India EU Water Partnership (IEWP):** On 14<sup>th</sup> January 2022, a meeting to discuss and formalize the action plan for the second phase of IEWP was held between Executive Director (Technical), NMCG and Counselor, EU delegation under the chairmanship of Member (WP&P), CWC.
- **India Israel Sub-Group:** On 27<sup>th</sup> January 2022, the kick-off meeting of the India Israel sub-group meeting was conducted. The meeting was attended by ED (Tech), NMCG, Central Water Commission, Central Ground Water Board, IIT Roorkee, Central Pollution Control Board, along with representatives from the Israel Embassy and other nominated members of the sub-group and NMCG.
- **Sundarban Kristi Mela-O-Loko Sanskriti Utsab:** On 29<sup>th</sup> January 2022, NMCG, in collaboration with CIFRI, participated in the 25<sup>th</sup> Sundarban Kristi Mela-O-Loko Sanskriti Utsab, organized by Kultani Milon Tirtha Society, West Bengal. An exhibition highlighting the various interventions of NMCG, was also showcased.
- **STP Site Inspection:** On 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022, DG, NMCG visited and reviewed the progress of 318-MLD STP Coronation Pillar Plant, Delhi.



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**C. National Water Mission (NWM): -**

- **34<sup>th</sup> Water Talk** entitled "New Vision for a community-led demand driven, scalable water conservation programme" was delivered by Shri Shantilal Muttha, Founder, Bhartiya Jain Sanghatan on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2022.
- **16<sup>th</sup> Water Tech Talk** entitled "Roof Top Water Harvesting Technology" was delivered by Dr. P. C. Jain on 14<sup>th</sup> January 2022.

**D. Important meetings/conferences held at the level of Hon'ble Minister of Jal Shakti & Hon'ble Minister of State (Jal Shakti) during the month of January 2022: -**

-- NIL --

**E. Important meetings/conferences held at the level of Secretary (WR, RD&GR) during the month of January 2022: -**

- Secretary (WR) attended the meeting of Parliamentary Standing Committee on Water Resources regarding "*Conservation and Abatement of Pollution in river Cauvery and other major rivers of South India*" held on 04<sup>th</sup> January 2022.
- Review meetings on NMCG & NRCP projects were held under the chairmanship of Secretary (WR) on 06<sup>th</sup> January 2022 and 21<sup>st</sup> January 2022.
- 148<sup>th</sup> meeting of Advisory Committee on Irrigation, Flood Control & Multipurpose Project was held under the chairmanship of Secretary (WR) through video conference on 17<sup>th</sup> January 2022.
- On 20<sup>th</sup> January 2022 and 24<sup>th</sup> January 2022, a review with different States on AIBP & CADWM projects was held through video conference.
- A meeting regarding setting up of National Bureau of Water Use Efficiency (NBWUE) was held on 28<sup>th</sup> January 2022 under the chairmanship of Secretary (WR), and attended by Member (WP&P), Member (D&R), CWC.

**F. Other important Meetings/Conferences held during the month of January 2022:-**

- 57<sup>th</sup> meeting of Cauvery Water Regulation Committee was chaired by Chairman, CWRC on 05<sup>th</sup> January 2022.
- On 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022, Shri Piyush Hazarika, Hon'ble Minister for Water Resources, Govt. of Assam and Addl. Chief Secretary, Govt. of Assam visited and discussed with Chairman, Central Water Commission regarding Buridehing & Manas Beki projects.
- On 27<sup>th</sup> January 2022, a meeting was held under the chairmanship of Shri G. Asok Kumar, DG, NMCG regarding different components of Namami Gange project, public drainage network data collection and integration, GIS-ready database for part of river Ganga.



**G. National Aquifer Mapping and Management (NAQUIM) Programme:-**

Under NAQUIM programme, CGWB has constructed 08 high discharge wells in the States of Assam (1), Karnataka (2), Maharashtra (1), Jharkhand (1), Madhya Pradesh (1) and Andhra Pradesh (2). These wells have been drilled in hard rock and alluvium areas with discharge ranging from around 198 to 1,050 litres per minute (lpm).

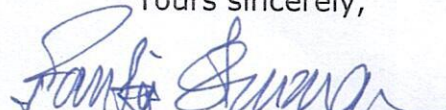
**H. Increasing efficiency in decision making: -**

As per the latest edition of Central Secretariat Manual of Office Procedure (CSMOP), the channel of submission has been reduced to four levels by issuing departmental instructions. It has been observed that the Desk Officer System is not suitable for adoption in this Department, considering its allocation of work. The Department has adopted e-office from February 2017 and is presently using the version 7.2.1. The Central Registry Unit has been digitized.

**I.** The incumbency details of the posts in the Department and its organizations under the purview of the ACC have been updated on AVMS portal.

*With warm regards,*

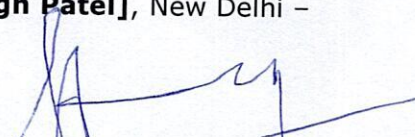
Yours sincerely,

  
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