



ABSTRACT

National Rural Drinking Water Programme – Revised guidelines – Constitution of State level Water and Sanitation Mission (SWSM) and setting up of Water and Sanitation Support Organisation (WSSO) – District level Water and Sanitation Committee and Village Water and Sanitation Committee in all Districts – Reconstituted – Orders – Issued.

MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & WATER SUPPLY (WSII) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Ms) No:160

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Read:

1. G.O (Ms) No. 228 of Municipal Administration and Water Supply Department, Dated: 20.10.1999
2. Modified guidelines on NRDWP issued by Government of India, Ministry of Rural Development, Department of Drinking Water Supply, New Delhi dated 01.04.2009
3. From the Joint Secretary to Government of India MoRD, DDWS, New Delhi Letter No: D.O. letter No: F.11012/2/2008/-DWS Dated: 08.05.2009
4. From the Chairman & Managing Director, TWAD Board, Chennai-5 Letter No: No.F. NRDWP/2009-10/AE5R/ PM/ 2009/ Dated:08.06.2009

ORDER:

The Government of India have issued modified guidelines on National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP) in order to provide drinking water security to every household of rural India. The modified guidelines clearly explains the critical issues to be addressed for achieving the vision / goal set on water and sanitation sector. In the modified guidelines Item No: 12, it is mentioned that Water and Sanitation Missions have to be constituted at State, District and Village level. The composition and roles and responsibilities of these Committees have also clearly specified in the modified guidelines. Further, the guidelines explain the constitution of Water and Sanitation Support Organisation (WSSO) to look after the software components of the programme under State level Water and Sanitation Mission (SWSM) with definitive roles and responsibilities. The Joint Secretary to Government, MoRD, DDWS, New Delhi in the reference third read above has also informed that as a first step towards achieving the goals set, constitution of Water and Sanitation committees at State, district and village level have to be carried out as first priority.

2. In G.O.(Ms) No. 228 / MA&WS Dept (WSII) dt: 20.10.99, State Level Water and Sanitation Committee (SWSC) and District Water and Sanitation Committees (DWSC) and Village level Water and Sanitation Committees (VWSC) were constituted

as per Swajaldhara guidelines in the project districts and they were registered as Societies earlier for the implementation of Swajaldhara programme.

3. The Chairman and Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board, has stated that constitution of State Water and Sanitation Mission (SWSM), formation of Water and Sanitation Support Organisation (WSSO) and formation of District Water and Sanitation Mission (DWSM) in two newly formed districts have to be done for the effective implementation of National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP) as per Government of India guidelines.

4. The Chairman & Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board, has requested the Government to issue Orders of the following:

- 1). (a) Constitution of State Level Water and Sanitation Mission (SWSM) and its Apex and Executive Committees with its roles and responsibilities as per the modified guidelines of NRDWP.
- (b) Constitution of a Water and Sanitation Support Organisation (WSSO) under SWSM as per the organogram now suggested within the existing set up.
- 2) Constitution of District Water and Sanitation Mission (DWSM) in the two newly formed Ariyalur and Tiruppur districts.
- 3) Formation of Village Water and Sanitation Committee in the remaining Village Panchayats of 31 Districts.

5. The Government have carefully considered the proposal of the Chairman & Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board, Chennai and they have decided that State Water and Sanitation Mission at State including Water and Sanitation and Support Organisation may be constituted at State level and that at District and Village level, Committees may be constituted by reconstituting the earlier Committees constituted in the G.O. first read above. The Government accordingly constitute the following SWSM / DWSC / VWSCS with the following composition.

I. State Water and Sanitation Mission (SWSM)

i) Apex Committee:

Head	Chief Secretary
Members	1. Secretary to Government, Municipal Administration and Water Supply. 2. Principal Secretary to Government, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj. 3. Principal Secretary to Government, Finance 4. Principal Secretary to Government, Health and Family Welfare 5. Principal Secretary to Government, School Education. 6. Secretary to Government, Tamil Development Religious Endowment and Information.
Nodal Secretary	Secretary to Government, Municipal Administration and Water Supply.

(The Apex Committee will meet twice in a year)

ii) Executive Committee:

Head and Executive officer	Chairman & Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board.
Ex officio Members	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Commissioner of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj 2. Engineering Director, TWAD Board 3. Director of Public Health and Preventive Medicine. 4. Director of School Education
Members	The members from the field or Information Education Communication (IES), Human Resource Development (HRD), Management Information System (MIS), Media and NGOs (not exceeding six)

Roles and responsibility of SWSM:

1. To prepare broad State specific policy and programme implementation frame work to enable the Panchayat Raj Institutions and community organizations play their role effectively.
2. institutionalization of the role of community in sector program
3. social mobilization and awareness generation
4. cost recovery mechanism based on 12th Finance Commission grants and cross-subsidization of the programme
5. sound financial policies and practices
6. capacity building of the institutions and individuals
7. integrated approach with other rural development projects
8. decentralized planning through local government institutions and community mobilization.

iii Water and Sanitation Support Organisation

Head of the Organization	Director of Communication and Capacity Development Unit, (CCDU) TWAD Board
Members	
1. Unit Officer of CCDU / TWAD Board.	Executive Engineer, CCDU, TWAD Board
2. Unit Officer of Research and Development and Training cell / TWAD Board.	Joint Chief Engineer, Project Development Cell, and Joint Chief Engineer, Project Management, TWAD Board
3. Unit Officer of Hydro Geological wing / TWAD Board.	Senior Hydrogeologist, TWAD Board

4. Unit Officer of EDP wing / TWAD Board.	Manager, Electronics and Data Processing, TWAD Board.
5. Unit Officer of Water Quality monitoring cell / TWAD Board.	Chief Water Analyst, TWAD Board

Roles and responsibility of WSSO:

- This organization would only deal with all software aspect of RWS sector and would not be involved in implementation of water supply schemes;
- The Organizations main function would be to act as a facilitating agency and would function as a bridge between the PHED/Board and the Community Organization and assist the PRIs and VWSCs to prepare water security plan and RWS projects based on the water security plan;
- Take up evaluation studies, impact assessment studies, R&D activities;
- Take up HRD and IEC activities;
- MIS and computerization programmes, GIS mapping and online monitoring systems.

II. District Water and Sanitation Committee

District Collector	Chairman
Executive Engineer, TWAD Board RWS.	Member - Secretary
Project Officer, District Rural Deveopment Agency	Member
Joint Director, Health Services	Member
District Education Officer, (Elementary Education)	Member
Assistant Director of Panchayats	Member
NGO's	Co-opted Member

The Roles and responsibilities are as follows:

- The entire village water security plan shall be consolidated and analyzed at the district level by DWSC. It should prepare a district based water security plan under the guidance of DWSM for implementation.
- At the district level convergence of all the other related programmes and funding should be ensured.

- preparing multi-sectoral water allocation, planning and management, including water distribution mechanism, and features to prioritize allocation for drinking water and protection against pollution. awareness generation programme and capacity development programme under Communication and Capacity Development Unit (CCDU) is to be taken up on a continuous basis periodically in the district..

III. Village Water and Sanitation Committee (VWSC)

Panchayat President	Chairman
All ward members – 1/3 should be women (should consist of SC and poor people representative)	Member
School Teacher (preferably woman)	Member
Social worker	Member
Village Health Nurse	Member

- Village Water and Sanitation Committee (VWSC) shall consist of 6-12 persons and will comprise both members of the Panchayat and Village.
- Not more than 3 should be members of the Gram Panchayat (G. P.)
- Not more than 1/3 should be women
- Not less than 1/3 should represent SC.

The Roles and responsibilities are as follows:

- ❖ Involving the Local Community at the individual house hold level in the decision making process.
- ❖ Develop its own Village Water Security Plan.
- ❖ Out source the development of water supply scheme to the agency of its own choice.
- ❖ Involvement in Demand management, Supply management, Resource management, Water budgeting, Cost of investment etc.
- ❖ Involving women and marginal groups at every stage of planning implementation and management of schemes.

6. The Government also direct the sanitation aspect in general at State and District level shall continue to be with Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Dept. as in vogue and that the "Village Sanitation and minor water supply schemes" shall continue to be operated by the Village Panchayats without any hindrance.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

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