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लेह / Leh, Dated: 14.10.2025

Subject: Constitution of Committee for Preparation / Finalization of Operation and Maintenance Policy for Ladakh Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM).

Reference: U.O. File No. G / 323 / 2025 – ACCOUNT SECTION of the Department of Public Health Engineering / Irrigation & Flood Control, UT of Ladakh.

Order No.: 476 - LA(GAD) of 2025

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Sanction is hereby accorded to the constitution of UT Level Committee for Preparation / Finalization of Operation and Maintenance Policy for Ladakh Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM). The Committee shall be comprised of following Officers / Members.

1.	Chief Engineer, PHE / I&FC Department, UT of Ladakh.	Chairperson
2.	Additional Secretary, PHE / I&FC Department, UT of Ladakh.	Member
3.	Representative of Finance Department, UT of Ladakh not below the rank of Joint Director.	Member
4.	Representative of Planning, Development & Monitoring Department, UT of Ladakh not below the rank of Joint Director.	Member
5.	Executive Engineer, PHE Division, Leh.	Member Secretary
6.	Representative of General Administration Department, UT of Ladakh not below the rank of Under Secretary.	Member
7.	Representative of Rural Development & Panchayat Raj Department, UT of Ladakh not below the rank of Under Secretary.	Member
8.	Representative of Law & Justice Department, UT of Ladakh not below the rank of Legal Assistant.	Member
9.	Water Quality Expert, JJM, Ladakh.	Member
10.	Any other Member co-opted by the Chairman.	Member

The Terms of Reference for the Committee shall be: —

- (i) To review existing Operation and Maintenance (O&M) practices under the Jal Jeevan Mission and other relevant schemes in the Union territory of Ladakh and draft a comprehensive O&M policy taking into consideration the unique geographical and socio-economic conditions of the UT of Ladakh.

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- (ii) To ensure that the O&M Policy includes adequate provisions in line with the Model O&M Policy shared by the Ministry of Jal Shakti, Government of India with States/UTs covering the aspects of Financial Sustainability, Service Delivery Sustainability, Source Sustainability, Sustained functionality etc.
- (iii) To develop mechanisms for sustainable operation and maintenance of water supply infrastructure, including community participation, capacity building and institutional arrangements.
- (iv) To suggest financial models for O&M, including cost recovery, fund management and linkage with local bodies and government grants.
- (v) To define clear roles and responsibilities of various stakeholders including Panchayati Raj Institutions, Water User Committees, local administration and implementing agencies in O&M activities.
- (vi) To recommend strategies for capacity building and training of local communities, operators and officials for effective O&M.
- (vii) To propose mechanisms for regular monitoring, evaluation and reporting of O&M activities to ensure transparency and accountability.
- (viii) To ensure that the O&M policy is aligned with the National Jal Jeevan Mission guidelines and directions issued by the Ministry of Jal Shakti, Department of Drinking Water & Sanitation from time to time.
- (ix) To consider any other issue related to O&M of Jal Jeevan Mission water supply systems as deemed necessary by the Committee.

The Committee shall be serviced by the Office of Chief Engineer, PHE / I&FC Department, UT of Ladakh. The Committee shall submit its report/recommendations along with the Comprehensive O&M Policy to the PHE / I&FC Department, UT of Ladakh within a period of 15 days from the date of issue of this Order.

By order of the Lt. Governor (Administrator), UT of Ladakh.

Sd/-
(Michael M. D'Souza) IAS
Administrative Secretary,
General Administration Department.

Copy to Chairman & Members, as above.


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Copy also to the: -

1. All Administrative Secretaries, UT of Ladakh.
2. Administrative Secretary, PHE/I&FC Department, UT of Ladakh. The U.O. File No. G / 323 / 2025 – ACCOUNT SECTION is returned herewith.
3. Director NIC, Ladakh.
4. OSD to Chief Secretary, UT of Ladakh for information of Chief Secretary, Ladakh


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(Jigmat Raftan) JKAS
Deputy Secretary
General Administration Department