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भारत सरकार भूमि संसाधन विभाग ग्रामीण विकास मंत्रालय Government of India Department of Land Resources Ministry of Rural Development

Dated: 27.05.2022

D.O.No.7-10/2021-IWMP

Dear madam/sir/colleague,

The Watershed Development Component of Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (WDC-PMKSY) 1.0 mandated to develop rainfed and degraded lands in the country got over in the month of March, 2022. This is the high time to recognize the efforts of States/UTs, and also provide necessary impetus to their watershed project works under new generation of WDC 2.0. Keeping this objective in view, DoLR has instituted recently *National Watershed Management Awards* under various categories. This will include 'The Best State' (in 2 Groups), 'The Best District' i.e. Watershed Cell cum Data Centre (WCDC), 'The Best Project Implementing Agency (PIA)' and 'The Best Watershed Committee' (WC) Awards. The Winners will be felicitated with these Awards at the function likely to be held in June / July 2022 at New Delhi.

2. The Awards will be given in following *five* categories and the total Awards will be 151 in nos; involving a monitory value of Rs.87 lakh. Category-wise details of Awards are as below:

Sl. No.	Category of Award	Eligible Entity	Award	No. of Awards
1	The Best State (Group A)	State Government	Trophy with Citation	3 Awards (No. of Awards: 3)
2	The Best State (Group B)	State /UT Government	Trophy with Citation	3 Awards (NER, UT & Hilly States where Central share is 90 % or 100% in case of UTs) (No. of Awards: 3)
3	The Best Watershed District (WCDC)	Watershed cell cum data center (WCDC) at District level	Trophy with Citation	1 Award for each State/ UT (No. of Awards: 29)
4	The Best Programme Implementing Agency (PIA) (Government & Non-Government)	Programme Implementing Agency at Block level	Trophy with Citation	2 Awards for each State/ UT (No. of Awards: 58)
5	The Best Watershed Committee	Watershed Committee	Cash Awards & Trophy with Citation	2 Awards for each State/ UT First award: Rs. 2 lakh Second award: Rs. 1 lakh (No. of Awards: 58)

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Group	States/ UTs			
Classification	Clause I Colored Horrison Thankhand			
Group A	Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Haryana, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, Punjab, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal			
Group B	Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Himachal Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Tripura, Sikkim, Uttarakhand, UT of Jammu & Kashmir and UT of Ladakh,			

- 3. The detailed Guidelines on the *First National Watershed Management Award* are enclosed at **Appendix** The same is available at department's website https://dolr.gov.in.
- 4. I will be happy to invite your category-wise applications for the First National Watershed Management Award. The applications may be submitted to Department of Land Resources on/before 10th June, 2022 (5 PM) through email on: dirwm-dolr@nic.in,

with regards,

Yours sincerely

(UMAKANT)

Encl: As above.

The Chairman SLNA of all States/UT of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh Copy to: The Chief Secretary of all States (Except Goa)