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**Government of India
Ministry of Rural Development
Department of Land Resources**

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To,

The Chairman SLNA

for WDC-PMKSY2.0 in all States and UTs of J&K and Ladakh

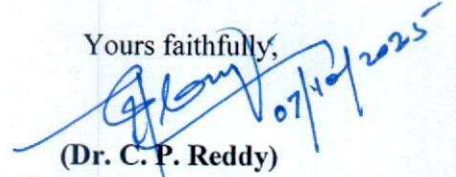
Subject: Minutes of the Review Meeting on implementation of WDC-PMKSY 2.0, held on 21.08.2025 through Video Conference under the Chairmanship of the Hon'ble Union Minister of Rural Development, Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare with the Hon'ble Nodal Ministers for WDC-PMKSY 2.0 in the States /UTs -reg.

Sir/Madam,

The undersigned is directed to forward a copy of Minutes of the Video Conference held on 21.08.2025 at 4.00 PM under the Chairmanship of the Hon'ble Union Minister of Rural Development, Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare with the Hon'ble Nodal Ministers for WDC-PMKSY 2.0 in the States /UTs to review implementation of Watershed Development Component 2.0 of Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (WDC-PMKSY 2.0).

2. This issues with the approval of Hon'ble Union Minister of Rural Development, Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare.

Yours faithfully,



(Dr. C. P. Reddy)

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Copy to: **The Chief Executive Officer**, SLNA in all States and UTs of J&K and Ladakh, with a request to kindly inform the Hon'ble Minister of the Nodal Department implementing the WDC-PMKSY 2.0 scheme in the State/UT.

Copy for information:

1. PS to Hon'ble Minister for Rural Development, Agriculture and Farmer's Welfare.
2. PS to Hon'ble Minister of State for Rural Development and Communication
3. PSO to Secretary, DoLR
4. Sr. PPS to Additional Secretary DoLR
5. PPS to JS (WM), DoLR

Minutes of the Review Meeting on implementation of Watershed Development Component 2.0 of Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (WDC-PMKSY 2.0), held on 21.08.2025 through Video Conference under the Chairmanship of the Hon'ble Union Minister of Rural Development, Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare with the Hon'ble Nodal Ministers of the States

To review the progress of the implementation of the WDC-PMKSY 2.0 projects of the Department of Land Resources in the States, a review meeting was convened on 21.08.2025 through Video Conference under the chairmanship of the Hon'ble Union Minister of Rural Development, Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare with the Hon'ble Nodal Ministers of the States. The list of participants is given as an Annexure.

2. At the outset, the Joint Secretary (Watershed Management), Department of Land Resources, welcomed all the Hon'ble Ministers and representatives/participants from the States.

3. The Secretary, Department of Land Resources, in his address, informed that the WDC-PMKSY 2.0 project has been under implementation for the last four years and is currently in its final year. Expenditure should reach 100% by March 2026; however, States have so far utilized only 59% of the funds. The pace of implementation is extremely slow. This year, in addition to other factors, expenditure has been lower due to the release of funds through the SNA SPARSH system. The Secretary emphasized the need to address human resource gaps and enhance community participation. While convergence with MGNREGS has been good, some States still need to improve. He also shared details of the proposed WDC 3.0, which will focus on spring rejuvenation in hilly regions and restoration of rivers and other water bodies. States that ensure faster implementation and greater participation under WDC 2.0 are likely to receive higher allocations under WDC 3.0.

4. The Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Rural Development and Communication, in his remarks, noted that the pace of implementation of the Watershed Development Component of PMKSY is not satisfactory, mainly due to non-utilization of funds in a timely manner. He highlighted that some people believe watershed works do not yield visible results at the ground level; however, these activities play a crucial role in soil and water conservation, groundwater recharge, prevention of soil erosion, and enhancement of soil fertility, thereby improving agricultural productivity. It is, therefore, essential to implement activities as per the action plan and fully utilize the allocated funds.

5. The Hon'ble Union Minister of Rural Development, Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare emphasized that the scheme is highly significant and, if implemented effectively, can bring about positive change in rainfed and drought-prone areas. However, the focus of States on this scheme appears to be low. He urged States to begin preparations for the next five-year phase now, to ensure effective utilization of funds as soon as they are released. So far, States have spent only 59% of the total project cost, and only six months remain to utilize the balance. Failure to achieve expenditure targets could lead to reduced allocations from the Ministry of

Finance for the next phase. States were therefore requested to ensure not only full utilization of funds but also their effective and impactful deployment.

6. Rajasthan: The Hon'ble Union Minister noted that the State's expenditure this year has been satisfactory, but overall utilization remains only 53.48% of the project cost. The Hon'ble State Nodal Minister assured that the remaining funds will be utilized shortly and requested for one-year extension of the project period.

7. Maharashtra: The Hon'ble Union Minister observed that the State has so far utilized only 54% of the project cost, with low expenditure this year as well. The Hon'ble State Minister informed that earlier the scheme was implemented by the Agriculture Department, which faced some challenges, but since September 2024, implementation has been taken over by the Department of Soil and Water Conservation, leading to improvements. Under the scheme, 1,500 recharge shafts are proposed in 1,500 villages at a cost of ₹150 crore. The State assured that expenditure of ₹200 crore will be achieved by March, 2026.

8. Madhya Pradesh: The Hon'ble Union Minister noted that overall progress is 66% of the project cost; however, expenditure against the current year's allocation is very low (3.1%). The Hon'ble State Nodal Minister stated that activities worth ₹112 crore have been carried out, with bills of ₹42 crore submitted to the State Treasury for payment. The delay has occurred due to the SPARSH payment process, but the State will make maximum efforts to achieve targets in the remaining six months.

9. Uttar Pradesh: Overall progress of the expenditure stands at 40.70% of the project cost, while utilization of this year's allocation is only 1.89%. The Hon'ble State Nodal Minister assured that with regular reviews and monitoring, 100% target achievement will be ensured within the stipulated timeframe.

10. Bihar: So far, State has utilized 57.70% of the total project cost while the utilization of this year's allocation at 4.53%. The Hon'ble State Nodal Minister informed that progress has been slow due to monsoon and the SNA SPARSH system. However, with weekly review meetings, work will be expedited post-monsoon.

11. Jharkhand: Overall progress stands at 57.69% of the total project cost while as 6.92% expenditure of this year's allocation has been achieved. The Hon'ble State Nodal Minister expressed gratitude for convening the review meeting and highlighting the importance and benefits of the scheme for the State. Despite lower expenditure due to the new payment process, efforts are being made to achieve targets to secure higher allocations in the future.

12. Telangana: The State has so far utilized 35% of the project cost and only 1.16% of this year's allocation. The Hon'ble State Nodal Minister informed that against a total target of ₹368.07 crore, expenditure of ₹129.64 crore has been achieved. More works will be completed by November. The Minister requested additional central funds, to which the Hon'ble Union Minister responded that further releases will be made only after utilization of previously released funds.



13. Uttarakhand: The State has so far utilized 42.77% of the project cost and only 2.28% expenditure of this year's allocation. State representative informed, the Hon'ble State Nodal Minister and Secretary could not attend due to the Assembly session. They further informed that the financial progress was low as Panchayats were dissolved in April 2025, and implementation at the field level is done by the Gram Panchayats. With Panchayats now functional again, the State assured that pending works will be expedited.

14. Odisha: Overall expenditure is 75.49% of the project cost and 19.84% of this year's allocation. The Hon'ble Union Minister expressed satisfaction and desired to know about implementation practices by the State. The Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister of Odisha informed that 53 projects were taken up with expenditure of ₹637.93 crore so far, and seven additional projects have been taken up in aspirational districts. The Hon'ble Union Minister encouraged the State to aim for 100% progress within the stipulated timeframe.

15. Karnataka: The State has so far utilized ₹632 crore (82.20% of the total allocation of ₹769.67 crore). The State has also received its second installment and assured that 100% completion will be ensured by March 2026.

16. Punjab: The Hon'ble Union Minister noted that overall expenditure is only 30.82% of the project cost, with 4.51% of this year's allocation utilized. The State assured that the works will be expedited. Upon the State's request for additional funds, the Hon'ble Union Minister clarified that further releases will be made only after utilization of existing funds.

17. Addressing all States, the Hon'ble Union Minister stressed that WDC-PMKSY is a vital programme, especially for drought-prone and rainfed areas, where it acts as a lifeline. Further, he mentioned that we have reviewed the slow progress of the scheme virtually today and expressed hope that all States will make greater efforts in expediting the utilization of funds allocated under the scheme and strive to achieve the desired progress. In further discussions, the Hon'ble Union Minister highlighted the following points:

- Better progress in this phase will enable States to secure higher allocations in the next five-year phase.
- Many States have not deployed adequate human resources. Timely appointments would significantly improve both physical and financial progress.
- Convergence with MGNREGS should be enhanced, as it provides additional support for soil and water conservation works.
- States may submit suggestions or innovations to strengthen the scheme further; these can be considered in future discussions.
- Efforts should also focus on restoration of existing structures and water bodies to benefit rural communities and farmers.
- Community participation is critical; if strengthened, soil and water conservation can become a people's movement.
- States with low progress are expected to show greater commitment to achieve desired outcomes.

18. The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks from the Joint Secretary (Watershed Management), Department of Land Resources, to the Hon'ble Union Ministers, Hon'ble State Nodal Ministers, and all participants.

List of Hon'ble Ministers and Senior Officials of States participated in the review meeting

Details of Hon'ble Ministers and senior officers of Central Government

1. Shri Shivraj Singh Chauhan, Hon'ble Minister of Rural Development, Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
2. Dr. Chandra Shekhar Pemmasani, Hon'ble Minister of State for Rural Development and Communication
3. Shri Manoj Joshi, Secretary, Department of Land Resources
4. Shri R Anand, Additional Secretary, Department of Land Resources
5. Shri Nitin Khade, Joint Secretary, Department of Land Resources
6. Dr. C. P. Reddy, Senior Additional Commissioner (WD)
7. Shri Siam Khan Muan Guite, Deputy Advisor, (WM)

Details of Hon'ble Nodal Ministers of States

1. Shri Madan Dilawar, Panchayati Raj – Watershed Development and Soil Conservation Minister, Rajasthan
2. Shri Sanjay Rathod, Minister of Soil and Water Conservation, Maharashtra
3. Shri Indranil Naik, Minister of State for Soil and Water Conservation, Maharashtra
4. Shri Prahlad Singh Patel, Minister of Panchayat and Rural Development, Madhya Pradesh
5. Shri Kanak Vardhan Singh, Deputy Chief Minister and Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Odisha
6. Shri N. Cheluvarya Swamy, Minister of Agriculture, Karnataka
7. Shri Raghavjibhai Patel, Minister of Rural Development, Gujarat
8. Shri Ram Vichar Netam, Minister of Agriculture Development and Farmers Welfare, Chhattisgarh
9. Shri Swatantra Dev Singh, Minister of Jal Shakti, Uttar Pradesh
10. Shri Vijay Kumar Sinha, Deputy Chief Minister and Minister of Agriculture, Bihar
11. Shri Ojing Tsing, Minister of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj, Arunachal Pradesh
12. Smt. Deepika Pandey Singh, Minister of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj, Jharkhand
13. Shri Urkhao Gwra Brahma, Minister of Soil Conservation, Assam
14. Dr. Dhansari Sithakka, Minister of Panchayati Raj and Rural Development, Telangana
15. Shri Aniruddha Singh, Minister of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj, Himachal Pradesh
16. Prof. Lalnilvma, Minister of Rural Development, Mizoram
17. Shri Ratan Lal Nath, Minister of Agriculture, Tripura
18. Shri Pintso Namgyal Lepcha, Minister of Forest and Environment, Sikkim
19. Shri Krishan Lal Pawar, Minister of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj, Haryana
20. Shri Ravi Naik, Minister of Agriculture, Goa
21. Shri Javed Ahmad Dar, Minister of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj, Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir

Details of Senior Officers of States

1. Shri Shashi Bhushan Kumar, Chief Secretary, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj & Chairman, SLNA, Andhra Pradesh
2. Dr. D. Ravichandran, CEO, SLNA and Vice Chairman & MD, SLNA, Tamil Nadu
3. Shri Omkar Singh Meena, Chief Secretary, Agriculture, West Bengal
4. Shri Vijay Kumar D, Commissioner and Secretary & Chairman, SLNA, Meghalaya
5. Dr. Rajesh Kumar, Additional Chief Secretary (Finance), Manipur
6. Dr. G. Hukugha Sema, Commissioner and Secretary & Chairman, SLNA, Nagaland
7. Shri Ajit Bala Joshi, Additional Secretary Rural Development - Co-Chairman SLNA, Punjab
8. Shri B. Ashok, Commissioner for Agriculture Production & Chairman SLNA, Kerala
9. Dr. Pawan Kotwal, Chief Secretary, Union Territory of Ladakh
10. Dr. A. K. Dimri, Joint Director, Uttarakhand

