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Sub: Proceedings of meeting held on 06.05.2022 at 12:00 Hrs in the Main Committee Room, Civil Secretariat, Chandigarh under the Chairmanship of Sh. Sanjeev Kaushal, IAS, Chief Secretary, Haryana to review the status of implementation of River Action Plans submitted by the State before the Hon'ble NGT in OA No. 673 of 2018-titled 'More River Stretches are critically polluted' and other related issues.

Kindly refer to the subject noted above.

In this connection, I have been directed to enclose herewith the copy of Proceedings of the meeting held on 06.05.2022 at 12:00 Hrs in the Main Committee Room, Civil Secretariat, Chandigarh under the Chairmanship of Sh. Sanjeev Kaushal, IAS, Chief Secretary, Haryana to review the status of implementation of River Action Plans submitted by the State before the Hon'ble NGT in OA No. 673 of 2018-titled 'More River Stretches are critically polluted' and other related issues for your information and necessary action please.

DA/As above

**Sr. Env. Engineer (HQ)
 For Chairman**

No. HSPCB/ WC /

Dated:-13/05/2022

To

1. Additional Chief Secretary, Irrigation Department, Govt. of Haryana, Chandigarh.
2. Additional Chief Secretary, Town and Country Planning Deptt, Govt of Haryana, Chandigarh.
3. Additional Chief Secretary, Development & Panchayat Dept, Govt of Haryana, Chandigarh.
4. Chief Executive Officer, GMDA, Gurugram.
5. Additional Chief Secretary, Agriculture Department, Govt. of Haryana, Chandigarh.
6. Additional Chief Secretary, Housing for all, Govt of Haryana, Chandigarh.
7. Additional Chief Secretary, Environment Deptt, Govt of Haryana, Chandigarh.
8. Additional Chief Secretary, Public Health Engineering Deptt, Govt of Haryana, Chandigarh.
9. Additional Chief Secretary, Forest Department, Govt. of Haryana Chandigarh.
10. Principal Secretary, Urban Local Bodies Dept, Govt of Haryana, Chandigarh.
11. Principal Secretary, Mines and Geology Deptt, Govt of Haryana, Chandigarh.
12. Principal Secretary, Transport Department, Haryana, Chandigarh.
13. Principal Secretary, Industries Deptt, Govt of Haryana, Chandigarh.
14. DGP, Haryana Police, Panchkula
15. PS to Chief Secretary, Haryana.

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A copy of the above is forwarded to PS to Chairperson, Haryana Water Resources Authority, Panchkula for information please.

Signed by Jatinder Pal
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The list of participants is at **Annex**.

The Chief Secretary briefly outlined the objectives of the meeting. Member Secretary, HSPCB presented the background of the case, various directions of the NGT and details of the Action Plans submitted by the State, along with performance guarantee of Rs 15 Cr. which is liable to be forfeited if the objectives (BOD < 3 mg/L, fecal coliform < 500 MPN/100 ml and DO < 5 mg/l) are not achieved. It was informed that OA No. 673 of 2018 has been disposed off vide NGT order dated 22 February 2021 with the directions that the Chief Secretary shall monitor the progress every month and the Central Government shall review the same quarterly. The important agenda items were discussed and the following decisions were taken :

1. Tapping of sewage

The participants were informed of the progress of tapping of sewage and laying of sewer network in approved as well as unapproved areas to convey the sewage to terminal treatment plants. It was informed by HSPCB that in Ghaggar catchment, out of 39.95 MLD at 56 locations, 28.57 MLD at 37 locations have already been diverted and in Yamuna catchment, 111.1 MLD at 134 locations have been diverted, out of the identified 143.52 MLD at 169 locations. It was further explained that work has not yet been started in 5 locations (2-PHED, 1-HSVP, 1-Railways and 1-Housing Board). ACS (Housing) informed that this location belong to Himshikha Colony at Kalka and the Department had handed over the work to the Municipal Corporation and is presently being monitored by the PHED.

After discussion CS desired that interim mitigation measures be initiated in the location and PHED officers were directed to expedite their action. The Transport Department which has been communicated recently about the three points in Sonapat workshop, informed that they would submit the plan and get the action completed on priority.

(Action by PHED, HSVP, ULBD)

2. Under construction/ proposed STPs and sewer network

After reviewing the progress of under construction STPs in Ghaggar and Yamuna catchment areas, CS desired that the Departments shall expedite the work in all pending cases (7 in Ghaggar and 15 in Yamuna catchment) and the progress of the same be monitored regularly by the Administrative Secretaries concerned. The time-lines may need to be extended in case of 12 MLD STP in Ambala, it was informed by ULBD. CS advised the Department to identify the reasons and the persons responsible, if any, for the delay.

The progress in case of three proposed STPs in Yamuna catchment was reviewed and it was observed that 25 MLD STP of GMDA at Manesar may skip the timeline of 31.12.2022. GMDA informed that it may need to be extended till July 2023. GMDA was advised to send the proposal accordingly, justifying the reasons for the delay, along with the interim measures for mitigation of pollution till the completion of STP, for necessary amendments. Similarly, the work of two STPs in Panipat (15 and 25 MLD) was observed to be slow and CS asked the ULBD to expedite the same and finish the task before the time-line of 31.01.2023.

The progress of laying of sewer network was reviewed and it was observed to be satisfactory except for the delay observed in case of Jakhal Mandi (PHED), Palwal (ULBD) and Panipat (ULBD). The Departments concerned were advised to expedite the work on priority.

(Action by PHED, HSVP, ULBD and GMDA)

3. Under construction and proposed CETPs

The progress of under construction CETPs was reviewed. It was pointed out that the work of CETP at Faridabad has not been started so far by ULBD and that in case of Gurugram, even the executing department has not been decided so far (GMDA or ULBD). ULBD informed that it has already been decided that the work to be executed by GMDA but GMDA informed that they shall be executing the work related to only master sewer lines where they have got EDC but the internal work, as in this case, has to be done by the MCG. After detailed discussion with all the concerned, the Chairman desired that the work for construction of CETP for internal areas be done by the MCG and they will submit their timelines and action plan immediately in this regard.

While reviewing the works of CETPs in Kundli-Sonepat, it was observed that the results of survey, which was to be done by HSIIDC has not yet been reported. ACS TCP informed that he has already held a meeting in this regard and that there are few scattered industries located in the area, whose effluent can be transported to existing CETP in Kundli. PS Industries assured to look into the issue and update the status and plan in the next meeting. CS desired that the same be taken on priority as it has been pending for very long time. The timelines in case of other CETPs in Manakpur of Yamuna Nagar and Bahadurgarh, may require to be extended little, HSIIDC informed. It was advised to HSIIDC send the details justifying the reasons for the delay, for further consideration.

(Action by ULBD, HSVP, HSIIDC and GMDA)

4. Online Monitoring Devices (OMDs) on STPs

HSPCB informed that as per the latest report taken, as many as 45 STPs were offline. It was explained that this is a serious lapse, as the Board is striving

to reduce human interface in monitoring and increasing self regulatory regimen and transparency. The details of compliance of treatment plants for various parameters were also explained by HSPCB.

After detailed discussion with the Departments concerned, CS directed that the implementing agencies should take the matter seriously and as the operation and maintenance of all STPs and CETPs are outsourced, the Departments should ensure strict compliance of the norms fixed by the Board. As it has already been decided that a cell should be established at HQ of every Department and an officer be deputed for monitoring the online data of all treatment plants, lapses should be brought to the notice of HoD periodically for expeditious redressal, apart from taking action against the erring officials.

(Action by ULBD, HSVP, GMDA, HSIIDC and PHED)

5. Septage Management

The progress of management of septage / disposal of sewage through tankers, as per the policy of ULBD was discussed and as per the directions of CPCB under Section 18 of Water Act, 1974, charging the violators under ULBD policy or / and under the provisions of Motor Vehicle Act needs to be considered. It was informed that such practices are prevalent in Panipat and Sonapat area. ROs of HSPCB have been directed to coordinate with the District Administration/MC and ensure action against violators, if any.

(Action by ULBD, HSPCB, District Administration and Police Dept)

6. Status of treatment System/ STPs in villages

HSPCB apprised that the action plan for sewage of villages was prepared after submission of the State Action Plan but time bound action plans for 4 villages are yet to be submitted by PHED. PHED officers assured to send the same soon. They further informed that they are already working for villages under Mahagram Yojana also.

(Action by PHED)

7. Adverse entry in ACRs of erring officers

HSPCB apprised that a DO communication was sent by the CS to Administrative Secretaries to record good / deficient works of subordinate officers in their ACRs, in compliance of directions of NGT but action taken on the same is yet to be received. CS directed that the same may be taken up by the line Departments concerned and accountability for lapses be fixed on individual officers who are found responsible for delay, while good work of the officers may also be recorded as token of appreciation.

(Action by all Departments)

8. Status of OA No. 212/2020 (Ompal Chaudhary Vs SOH)

HSPCB informed that Hon'ble NGT has disposed off the above said case on 06.04.2022 and directed the State to file the status as on 31.07.2022 by 15.08.2022. The issue of establishment of an STP/CETP to treat the additional 66 MLD effluent in Yamuna Nagar needs to be addressed yet and if the progress is not satisfactory, then the Hon'ble Tribunal may pass further directions, it was apprised. CS directed that PHED and ULBD to take note and ensure proper action as directed by the Hon'ble NGT.

(Action by PHED, ULBD)

9. Review of status of Crop Diversification and other issues

Other important aspects relating to crop diversification, inter cropping for water conservation, water efficient agriculture practices being adopted, steps taken for increasing water storage capacity, implementation of greenery development plans by the Forest Department and ground water management were discussed and reviewed. CS desired that the departments concerned may implement the plan as per the timelines and report the same to HSPCB for record purposes.

(Action by Agriculture, Forest, Irrigation and HSVP)

The meeting ended with thanks to all present.

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S.No	Name and Designation
1	Sh. P. Raghavendra Rao, Chairman, HSPCB
2	Sh. Devender Singh, IAS, ACS, Irrigation Department and TCP Deptt
3	Sh Anil Malik, IAS, ACS, Housing for All Department,
4	Sh. AK Singh, IAS, ACS, Environment & Climate Change, Department of Forests and Wildlife and PHED
5	Sh Navdeep Virk, IPS, PS, Transport Department
6	Sh Vijayender Kumar, IAS, PS, Industries & Commerce Dept
7	Sh. S. Narayanan, IFS, MS, HSPCB cum DG, Env & CC Dept
8	Sh DK Behera, IAS, Director General, ULBD.
9	Sh. Anshaj Singh, IAS, Chief Administrator , Housing Board
10	Sh. Aseem Khanna, EIC, PHED, Panchkula
11	Sh. Anil Bhatia, CEO, HWRA, Panchkula
12	Sh. Yajesh Mehra, CE, HSVP, Panchkula
13	Sh. Rajesh Bansal, SE, GMDA, Gurugram (Through VC)
14	Sh. Rakesh Kumar, CE, PHED, Panchkula
15	Sh. Anil Bhardwaj, DA, Office of CS
16	Sh. Mukesh Gupta, AGM, HSIIDC, Panchkula
17	Sh. Sandeep Gautum, Additional Director, Agriculture Department
18	Sh. Jagdeep Singh Brar, Add. Cane Commissioner, Agriculture Dept
19	Sh. Deepak Hooda, State Geologist, Mines and Geology Department
20	Sh. JP Singh, SEE, HSPCB, Panchkula
21	Sh. Vijay Goel, SE, MC, Panchkula
22	Sh. Ranbir Singh, XEN, ULBD, Panchkula
23	Sh. Ashwani, AEE, HSPCB, Panchkula
24	Sh. Sanjay Rohilla, Asstt. Director, MSME Department,

