

Government Of Kerala Abstract

Water Resources Department - Jalanindi Phase II - Single Village Panchayat Water Supply Scheme - common guidelines - approved - Orders issued.

Water Resources (Water Supply - B) Department G.O(Rt) No. 976/2011/WRD Dated, Thiruvananthapuram 29/9/2011

ORDER

In Kerala Rural Water Supply Schemes are set up by the following agencies or source of fund.

- 1) Kerala Water Authority
- 2) KRWSA

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- 3) Village/Block/District Panchayat
- 4) SC Development Department
- 5) ST Development Department
- 6) Fisheries Department
- 7) Schemes under MP Lads and MLA SDF
- 8) flood and Drought Relief
- 9) NGOs/Community initiative

It has come to the notice of Government that different norms are followed by the above agencies especially in respect of operation and maintenance of such schemes. Government are pleased to approve the following common guidelines for all Drinking Water Supply Schemes which are locate within the jurisdiction of a single Village panchayat irrespective of the implementing department / Agency or the source of Fund.

- 1) For all Water Supply Schemes Beneficiary Groups should be constituted and elaborate consultations held with the beneficiaries on the proposed project.
- 2) The beneficiaries would contribute at least 10% of the capital cost. In the case of beneficiaries belonging to SC/ST/Traditional Fisher folk only 5% of the capital cost need be contributed of which up to 4% could be as labour contribution. The rest of the capital cost would be funded as per the respective scheme guidelines.
- 3) The implementing agencies would transfer the funds to the Village Panchayats concerned and the Village Panchayats would be responsible for implementation

of the work through beneficiary groups."

- 4) The Community contracting system developed by the jalanidhi would be followed for this. Detailed guidelines would be issued separately.
- 5) Technical support would be provided by the Engineers of the Village Panchayats for schemes implemented for using the fund of the Village Panchayat. For schemes funded by other sources.Village Panchayats can avail the services of the Engineers of KWA or KRWSA as required for which they can be paid as provided by G.O.(MS) No. 31/98/LAD, dated 13/2/1998. If the services of Engineers from KWA/any Govt department / KRWSA are not available they can hire qualified Engineers from the different Technical Advisory Groups.
- 6) The beneficiary groups would undertake to maintain the Water Supply Schemes and collect user charges from the households benefited so as to meet the entire cost of operation and maintenance. The bulk water charges payable to KWA in the case of WS scheme designed to draw water from KWA water supply main would be borne by the Beneficiary Group by fixing appropriate user charges for individual households.
- 7) In the case of WS scheme designed to draw water from KWA water supply main. KWA will provide connection with a bulk water meter. The expenditure for providing the bulk water connections shall alone be done as deposit work through KWA. No other Single Village Panchayath Water Supply Schemes shall be entrusted as deposit works to Kerala Water Authority in future.

KWA, KRWSA and the participating village panchayaths would sign a tripartite agreement incorporating the above mentioned points.

By Order of the Governor

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To,

The Executive Director, Jalanidhi

The Managing Director, Kerala Water Authority, Trivandrum

The Principal Secretary, LSGD (vide U.O.No. 45222/FM3/11/LSGD, dated 24.09.11

The Secretary, Finance Department (vide U.O.No.26336/PUC1/2011/Fin. dated 30.03.11

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