

**Minutes of the Seventh State Level Monitoring Committee meeting held on 27.11.2020
regarding polluted river stretches based on the directions of Hon'ble NGT in the matter of
OA No.673 of 2018.**

The Seventh State Level Monitoring Committee meeting was held through Video Conferencing on 27.11.2020 in the Conference Hall, DSTE, Puducherry to review the status of action taken on in-situ remediation of sewage drain, commencement of setting up of STPs, the work of connecting all the drains and other sources of generation of sewage to the STPs and on the components of action plan submitted to CPCB on Restoration of Polluted River Stretches.

The following officers participated

1. Thiru. S. Dinesh Kannan, IFS, Member Secretary, PPCC
2. Thiru. Sivaraj Meena, Regional Administrator, Yanam Region
3. Thiru. G. Johnson, Project Executive Officer, DRDA, Puducherry
4. Thiru. G. Pakkirisamy, Executive Engineer, I & PH Division PWD, Karaikal.
5. Thiru. Thirunavukarasu, Executive Engineer (I/C), LAD, Puducherry.
6. Thiru. K. Soundararajan, Assistant Engineer, PHD, PWD, Puducherry
7. Thiru. Rajendran, V .V, Assistant Engineer, PWD, Mahe Region
8. Dr. N. Ramesh, SEE, DSTE, Puducherry and
9. Dr. V. R. Sumathi, Scientist, DSTE, Puducherry.

The Member Secretary, PPCC welcomed the Officers from various Departments present in the meeting and referred the minutes of the previous meeting regarding fine imposed as per Hon'ble NGT order dated 22.08.2019 Rs. 5 lakhs per month per drain, for default in in-situ remediation and Rs. 5 lakhs per STP for default in commencement of setting up of the STP. Timeline for completing in-situ remediation is 01.07.2020 in terms of order dated 29.06.2020.

Timeline for completing all steps of action plans including completion of setting up of STPs and their commissioning is 01.07.2021 in terms of order dated 29.06.2020. In default, compensation will be liable to be paid Rs. 10 lakhs per month per STP.

Further Member Secretary sought the status of action taken from each Department.

Assistant Engineer, PWD, Mahe Region informed that in-situ remediation of the drain is completed. The AE was requested to furnish the action taken report with pictures at the earliest so as to submit to Hon'ble NGT. He also informed that tender process for establishing STP in harbour would be completed by 31.12.2020 and operation will be commenced by July, 2021.

Regional Administrator, Yanam Region informed that in-situ remediation of all drains are completed. With respect to setting up of STP, the Commissioner informed that due to space constraint installation of single STP connecting all the drains is not possible. Setting up of decentralised STP is under consideration.

With respect to setting up of 3 MLD STPs in Villianur and Karaikal Region, Executive Engineer, PHD, PWD, Puducherry and Executive Engineer, I & PHD, PWD, Karaikal informed that the file for issue of work order is submitted to the Government for approval. Executive Engineer, I & PHD, PWD, Karaikal were requested to submit a proposal for developing bio-diversity park.


Executive Engineer (I/C), LAD informed that the in-situ remediation of all drains as detailed below is completed.

S.No.	Sankaraparani River (Chunnambar), Puducherry	No. of drains	In-situ remediation	Status
1	Ariyankuppam Commune Panchayat	8	16nos. of Grill gratings	Completed all
2	NCP	15	Grill gratings	Completed all
3	BCP	25	34nos. of Grill gratings	Completed all
4	MCP	44	Grill gratings	Completed all
5	VCP	54	Grill gratings	Completed all

The Executive Engineer (I/C), LAD was requested to furnish the action taken report with pictures at the earliest so as to submit to Hon'ble NGT.

Project Executive Officer, DRDA informed that ODF have been declared on 02.10.2018 in all 98 GPS. Under Swachh Bharath Mission (Grammin) – Phase – I SBM (G), left out beneficiaries are being considered. 2144 toilets were identified as left out beneficiaries for which 1517 toilets were completed and remaining are under process.

The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.


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Puducherry Pollution Control Committee