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Dear, *Sh. Verma*

As you are aware, Tamil Nadu has been allocated 11 clusters under all three Phases of Shyama Prasad Mukherji Rurban Mission (SPMRM). You would appreciate that, the Mission if implemented well as per the tenets of the SPMRM framework, will see investment of Rs. 1100 crore in selected clusters under phase 1, 2 and 3. This will also result in 11 Rurban clusters, with thematic centers of economic growth, which would be inter-alia Open Defecation Free, Zero Waste, saturated with LPG connections and with skilled manpower in every household.

2. The clusters have to be developed within a fixed time frame of three years. I am highlighting some of the key issues which need your intervention at this stage as follows:

**Under Phase 1 Clusters:** The Integrated Cluster Action Plans (ICAPs) and Detailed Project Report (DPR) have been duly approved. First instalment of Critical Gap Funding (CGF) of Rs. 27.00 crore has been released on 18.11.16 and second instalment of Rs.27.00 crore has been released on 30.05.17 to the State, apart from Rs 1.75 crore as administrative fund.

You may like to have the execution of works in these clusters reviewed and forwarded a detailed report of the progress achieved along with the utilization certificate (UC) so as to enable us to release the 3<sup>rd</sup> installment of CGF.

**Under Phase 2 Clusters:** The Integrated Cluster Action Plans (ICAPs) submitted by the State have been approved and Rs. 16.20 crore has been released on 26.12.17 to the State, from Rs 1.05 crore as administrative fund. However, confirmation of approval for DPR for 6 clusters is pending for more than 6 months.

The Status of works, confirmation of approval of DPR and the requisite UC may please be forwarded for the approved ICAPs at the earliest so as to enable us to release the 2<sup>nd</sup> installment of CGF.

**Under Phase 3 Clusters:** Three (3) clusters have been approved and admin fund of Rs.1.05 crore has been released to the State on 10.08.17. However, confirmation of approval for ICAPs for 3 clusters is pending for more than 11 months. This should be submitted to Ministry at the earliest.

I would request for an early action and response.

With regards,

Yours Sincerely

  
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