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Memo No: PHE/WSSO/112 (Pt-XR) / 596 - 603 .

Dated: 06/03/2019

To

The Executive Engineer,

South 24 Pgs W/S Division I/ Barasat Division/ North 24 Pgs W/S Division I/ Balurghat Division/ Malda Division/
Malda Arsenic Division/ Murshidabad Division/ Raiganj Division
PHE Dte.

Sub.: Third Party Assessment of top 5 laboratories selected from each category along with assessment of the state referral laboratory.


This has reference to the letter vide Memo no. **PHE/WSSO/112(Pt-XV)/3128-3155** dated December 11, 2018 **(copy enclosed as Annexure-I)** regarding Assessment of laboratories based on new questionnaire. In accordance with the referred letter, Self-Assessment of all District and Sub-District laboratories was carried out by the District Consultants in the presence of Junior Engineer tagged with the concerned laboratories. Top 5 laboratories, based on the scores obtained, have been shortlisted from each category.

As an attempt to select the best performing laboratories from each category, CSIR-NEERI has been engaged by UNICEF to carry out Third Party Assessment of the selected 15 laboratories and the State Level Referral laboratory.

In this regard, it is requested to send the Assistant Engineer (Nodal) and Junior Engineer, tagged with the concerned laboratory on the date of assessment along with the District Consultant.

Assessment schedule has been enclosed for ready reference.

Encl.: As stated above.

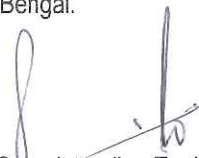

Superintending Engineer (WQ)
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Copy forwarded for information and necessary action:

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Dated: 11-12-2018

To,
The Executive Engineer
Alipurduar Division, Bankura Division, Bardhaman Division, Asansol Mechanical Division, Durgapur w/s Division, RCFA w/s Division, Birbhum Division, Bolpore Mechanical Division, Coochbehar Division, Balurghat Division, Neorakhola w/s Mnt. Division, Siliguri w/s Division, Hooghly Division, Howrah Division, Jalpaiguri Division, Malda Division, Maldah Arsenic Area w/s Division, Murshidabad Division, Nadia Division, Barasat Division, North 24 Parganas w/s Division I, Medinipur Division, Tamaluk Division, Purulia Division, Purulia Mechanical Division, Alipur Division, South 24 Parganas W/S Division, Raiganj Division.
PHE Dte., Govt. of West Bengal.

Sub: Assessment of laboratories based on new questionnaire.

It has been a known fact that regular assessment of laboratories under his jurisdiction is an indispensable part of capacity building process as well as ensuring reliability in the water quality test results in these laboratories which determines whether intended goals are achieved or not. The MDWS is also of the opinion that performance evaluation on time to time basis is a necessity in identifying the existing gaps and with a scope for further improvement. In this regard, a structured questionnaire has been developed in line with shared set of questions as developed by MDWS for ranking rural water testing laboratories at the state and district level.

Each category of laboratories will be assessed based on its performance on the following categories viz

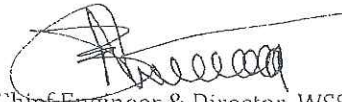
- a) Basic Infrastructure
- b) Laboratory & Personal Safety
- c) Human Resource
- d) Physical Resource
- e) Sampling & Analysis
- f) Observations w.r.t. several aspects of testing & IMIS entry
- g) Training & learning Process

The said categories consist of several sub categories with allocation of stipulated scores against each sub category. A copy of the questionnaire is also enclosed herewith as ready reference. The concerned District Consultants (DCs) may be instructed to complete assessment of all laboratories under his jurisdiction and update the relevant data positively by 31/01/2019, through a customized android based mobile application which may be reflected in water quality dashboard. The laboratories will be graded based on their cumulative performance in the stated categories.

A Third Party Assessment (TPA) along with State Level Consultants of WSSO will be initiated for top 5 laboratories each in the category of a) NGO Laboratory b) Sub- District Laboratory c) District Laboratory and d) State Laboratory will be initiated from 15.02.2019 and may be completed by 28.02.2019. Based on the TPA assessment, best laboratory in category viz a), b) & c) will be felicitated on 22.3.2018 i.e World Water Day. The State laboratory will be felicitated if it can achieve a certain desired score as decided by the TPA, as in this category (viz d) it is the only laboratory in the State.

In this regard he is hence requested to take all necessary action as enunciated in para 3 of this letter regarding completion of assessment results in dashboard of all laboratories under his jurisdiction through DCs positively by 31st January 2019, for initiation of our next course of action.

Enclosure: As stated above


Chief Engineer & Director, WSSO
PHE Dept., Govt. of West Bengal

Lab Assessment Schedule				
Sl. No.	District	Laboratory	Laboratory Category	Dates of Assessment
1	South 24 Pgs	Dakshin Roypur Water Treatment Plant Laboratory	State Level Referral Laboratory	09/03/19
2	South 24 Pgs	Amtala Sub-District Laboratory	Sub-District Laboratory (managed by PHED)	27/03/19
3	North 24 Pgs	Paschim Banga Vigyan Mancha (N24 PGS) Sub-District Laboratory	Sub-District Laboratory (managed by NGO)	08/03/19
4	North 24 Pgs	North 24 Paraganas District Laboratory	District Laboratory	08/03/19
5	North 24 Pgs	Mangal Pandey Water Treatment Plant Laboratory	District Laboratory	11/03/19
6	North 24 Pgs	Bodai Sub District Lab	Sub-District Laboratory (managed by PHED)	11/03/19
7	North 24 Pgs	Bithari Disha Sub-District Laboratory	Sub-District Laboratory (managed by NGO)	13/03/19
8	North 24 Pgs	Chandpara Sub District Lab	Sub-District Laboratory (managed by PHED)	15/03/19
9	Murshidabad	Community Polytechnique Cell, Murshidabad Institute of Technology Sub-District Laboratory	Sub-District Laboratory (managed by NGO)	14/03/19
10	Malda	Malda District Laboratory	District Laboratory	13/03/19
11	Malda	Dariapur Water Treatment Plant Laboratory	Sub-District Laboratory (managed by PHED)	13/03/19
12	Dakshin Dinajpur	Dakshin Dinajpur District Laboratory	District Laboratory	13/03/19
13	Dakshin Dinajpur	Molladighi Rural Development Society Sub-District Laboratory	Sub-District Laboratory (managed by NGO)	14/03/19
14	Uttar Dinajpur	Itahar Sub-District Laboratory	Sub-District Laboratory (managed by PHED)	18/03/19
15	Uttar Dinajpur	Uttar Dinajpur District Laboratory	District Laboratory	19/03/19
16	Uttar Dinajpur	WBCADC Kaliaganj Project Sub-District Laboratory	Sub-District Laboratory (managed by NGO)	19/03/19